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Personal data	Born on 28 th November 1947 at Irbid, the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan
Education	I graduated from the Faculty of Agriculture in Zagreb and I regularly attended two-year postgraduate studies at the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine in Zagreb, in the field of pathogenesis in poultry breeding.
Working experience	External Assistant of the State Institute for International Scientific and Technical Cooperation of the Republic of Croatia from 1974 until the end of 1985. After obtaining the citizenship of the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia, I was employed at the same Institute as an Expert Assistant at the Centre for Innovation and Technology Transfer. Later I became Adviser, then Leading Adviser of the Education Service in the Sector for Immediate International Scientific and Technical Cooperation. Before the transfer to the Ministry of Science and Technology I was the Head of that Sector.
	From 1992 on I was employed at the Ministry of Science and Technology, and from 1995 I was the Head of the Department for Scholarships and Technical Cooperation, and from 1998 also Head in Charge of the Department for International Bilateral Cooperation. Until my retirement 2003 I was the Head of Department for Scholarships and Bilateral Cooperation at the Directorate for International Scientific and Technical Cooperation of the same Ministry.
	Since 2003 contracted to the Ministry of Science, Education and Sports as Adviser to the Assistant Minister for International Cooperation.
	I participated in the preparations of the majority of Agreements signed by the Ministry of Science and Technology in the field of science, higher education and technology, independently or in cooperation with the Ministry of Culture and the Ministry of Education and

	Sports of the Republic of Croatia (around 120 international Agreements, Memoranda, Implementation Programmes and other documents with about sixty countries of the world).
Other activities	During my university studies I was a member, and later President of the Executive Committee of the International Student Club of Friendship (student organisation established by students from 32 countries of the world studying in the Republic of Croatia). I was one of the founders of the Association of Croatian Experts of the United Nations and the first Secretary of that Association.
	I am an active member and founder of a number of nongovernmental organisations for the development of friendship with the nations of the world. I am currently in my second mandate as a member of the Executive Committee of the Coordination of Croatian Friendship Associations comprising more than 120 friendship associations in the Republic of Croatia.
Publications	I am the author of several publications on the educational issues of foreign citizens in the Republic of Croatia.
Honours and awards	I was awarded an "Order of the Croatian Knot-work" ("Red hrvatskog pletera") by the President of the Republic for the promotion of the Republic of Croatia and its citizens in the world (28 th May 1996).
	I was pronounced a "Knight of the Order of Academic Palms" ("Chevalier dans l'Ordre des Palmes Académiques") by the Government of the French Republic for the development of the relations between the Republic of Croatia and the French Republic in the field of science and education (10 th February 2004).
	I was awarded a large number of honours and letters of thanks by different institutions and organisations.
Language skills	Arabic, Croatian, English

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