

CURRICULUM VITAE

PROFESSOR DR. KAMIL IDRIS

Prime Minister of Sudan

Former Director General (elected by the Coordination Committee and the General Assembly)

World Intellectual Property Organization
(WIPO), United Nations Specialised Agency

Former Secretary-General (elected by the Council)

International Union for the Protection of New Varieties of Plants (UPOV)

Former Member (elected by the United Nations General Assembly)

United Nations International Law Commission (ILC))

Former Ambassador

Former President World Arbitration and Mediation Court (WAMC)

Member Permanent Court of Arbitration (PCA),The Hague

President The International Court of Arbitration and Mediation (ICAM)

Chairman Board of Trustees of the Union of the Afro-Asian Universities

Academic Distinctions

LLB (Law), University of Khartoum (Honors)

Bachelor of Arts, Philosophical Studies, University of Cairo (Honors)

Diploma, Public Administration (Management Department), Institute of Public Administration, Khartoum

Master in International Affairs (MAIA), University of Ohio, USA (First Class Average)

Doctorate (PhD) in International Law, Graduate Institute of International Studies, University of Geneva (Distinction)

Doctorate Thesis: "Case study on the Treaty Establishing a Preferential Trade Area for Eastern and Southern African States"

Academic Interests

Certificates

International Economics, Graduate Institute of International Studies (Geneva)

International History and Political Science, Graduate Institute of International Studies (Geneva)

International Law of Development, Graduate Institute of International Studies (Geneva)

The Law of International Waterways, Graduate Institute of International Studies (Geneva)

International Law of Financing and Banking Systems, Graduate Institute of International Studies (Geneva)

Languages

Arabic, English, French, Spanish (good knowledge)

Teaching

Lecturer in Philosophy and Jurisprudence,
University of Cairo (1976-1977)

Lecturer in Jurisprudence, Ohio University, USA (1978)

External Examiner in International Law, Faculty of Law, University of Khartoum (1984)

Lecturer in Intellectual Property Law, Faculty of Law, University of Khartoum (1986)

Lecturer in several international, regional and national seminars, workshops and symposia

Member, International Association for the Advancement of Teaching and Research in
Intellectual Property Law (ATRIP)

Decorations

Awarded the Scholars and Researchers State Gold Medal, presented by the President of the
Republic of the Sudan (1983)

Awarded the Scholars and Researchers Gold Medal, presented by the President of the
Academy of Scientific Research and Technology of Egypt (1985)

Awarded the decoration of the Commandeur de l'Ordre national du Lion, Senegal (1998)

Awarded the Medal of the Bolshoi Theatre, presented by the Director of the Bolshoi Theatre, Russian Federation (1999)

Awarded the Honorary Medal, presented by the Rector of the Moscow State Institute of International Relations, Russian Federation (1999)

Awarded the Honorary Medal of The Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC), Saudi Arabia (1999)

Awarded the Golden Plaque of the Town of Banská Bystrica, presented by the Mayor of Banská Bystrica, Slovakia (1999)

Awarded the Golden Medal of Matej Bel University, presented by the Dean of the University, Banská Bystrica, Slovakia (1999)

Awarded the Silver Jubilee Medal of the Eurasian Patent Organization (EAPO), presented by Mr. Viktor Blinnikov, President of the Eurasian Patent Office, Russian Federation (2000)

Award of Distinguished Merit, presented by the Egyptian Supreme Council for Science and Technology, Egypt (2000)

Awarded a Plaque from the Syrian Inventors' Association, Syrian Arab Republic (2000)

Awarded the Grand Cross of the Infante D. Enrique, Portugal (2001)

Awarded a Medal from the People's Assembly of Egypt, Egypt (2001)

Awarded a Medal from the Constitutional Court of Romania, Romania (2001)

Awarded a Medal from the Parliament of Romania, Romania (2001)

Awarded the Golden Medal Dolores del Río al Mérito internacional en favor de los derechos de los artistas intérpretes from the National Association of Interpreters (ANDI), Mexico (2001)

Awarded the Golden Medal from The State Agency on Industrial Property Protection, Republic of Moldova (2001)

Awarded the decoration of the Commandeur de l'Ordre du Mérite national, Côte d'Ivoire (2002)

Awarded the Maria Sklodowska-Curie Medal from the Association of Polish Inventors and Rationalizers, Poland (2002)

Awarded the decoration of The Order of the Two Niles, First Class, from the President of the Republic of Sudan, Sudan (2002)

Kamil Idris Library, University of Juba, Sudan (2002)

Kamil Idris Conference Hall, Intellectual Property Court, The Judiciary, Sudan (2002)

Awarded the Dank Medal (medal of glory), from the President of the Kyrgyz Republic, Kyrgyzstan (2003)

Award from the University of National and World Economy, Bulgaria (2003)

"Venice Award for Intellectual Property", presented by the Mayor of Venice (2004)

Awarded the Medal of Oman, presented by His Royal Highness Fahid Bin Mahmud Al-Said, Deputy Prime Minister of the Council of Ministers, Oman (2004)

Awarded the decoration of the Aztec Eagle, presented by Ambassador Luis Alfonso de Alba (Permanent Representative of Mexico to International Organizations in Geneva) on behalf of Presidente of Mexico Vicente Fox, (2005)

Kamil Idris Building, Regional Training Center, African Regional Intellectual Property Organization (ARIPO), Harare, Zimbabwe (2006)

Awarded a Medal commemorating the 60 years of the United Nations, Bulgaria (2006)

Awarded a Medal commemorating the 60 years of the Independence of Jordan, Jordan (2006)

Award of Distinguished Leadership presented by the International Publishers' Association (IPA) and the Arab Publishers Association, Egypt (2007)

Awarded a Medal on the occasion of the Fujairah International Monodrama Festival, Fujairah, United Arab Emirates (2007)
 Awarded a Medal on the occasion of the Intellectual Property Day presented by The Regional Institute for Intellectual Property of the Faculty of Law, University of Helwan, Egypt (2008)
 Awarded The Distinguished Medal of Cultural Innovation, Sudan (2008)
 Awarded The Family Club Decoration, Sudan (2008)
 Awarded The World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) Medal, Geneva, Switzerland (2008)
 Awarded The International Union Of The Protection Of New Varieties Of Plants (UPOV) Medal, Geneva, Switzerland (2008)
 Awarded The Distinguished Medal Of The Sudanese Centre Of Intellectual Property, Khartoum, Sudan (2009)
 Awarded The Medal Of Kenana sugar Company, Khartoum , Sudan (2009)
 Awarded The Decoration Of Loyalty And Gratitude Of Omdurman National Broadcasting Station, Sudan (2010)
 Awarded The decoration (WISHAH) of the Syrian revolution (2013)
 Awarded The decoration (WISHAH) of Rashid Diab cultural center, Khartoum , Sudan (2013)
 Awarded The Medal of Distinction by the International Association of Muslim Lawyers (2014)

Honorary Degrees

1999 Honorary Professor of Law, Peking University, China
 1999 Doctor Honoris Causa, The Doctor's Council of the State University of Moldova, Republic of Moldova
 1999 Doctor Honoris Causa, Franklin Pierce Law Center (Concord, New Hampshire), United States of America
 1999 Doctor Honoris Causa, Fudan University (Shanghai), China
 2000 Doctor Honoris Causa, University of National and World Economy (Sofia), Bulgaria
 2001 Doctor Honoris Causa, University of Bucharest, Romania
 2001 Doctor Honoris Causa, Hannam University (Daejeon), Republic of Korea
 2001 Doctor Honoris Causa, Mongolian University of Science and Technology (Ulaanbaatar), Mongolia
 2001 Doctor Honoris Causa, Matej Bel University (Banská Bystrica), Slovakia
 2002 Doctor Honoris Causa, National Technical University of Ukraine "Kyiv Polytechnic Institute" (Kyiv), Ukraine
 2003 Doctor Honoris Causa, Al Eman Al Mahdi University (White Nile State), Sudan
 2005 Degree of Doctor of Letters (Honoris Causa), Indira Gandhi National Open University (IGNOU), India
 2005 Doctor Honoris Causa, Latvian Academy of Sciences, Latvia
 2006 Doctor Honoris Causa, University of Azerbaijan, Azerbaijan
 2007 Doctor Honoris Causa, University of Al-Gezira, Sudan
 2007 Doctor of International Law and Honorary Professor, Belarussian State University, Belarus
 2007 Doctor Honoris Causa, University of Khartoum, Sudan

2007 Doctor Honoris Causa, Ss. Cyril and Methodius University (Skopje), The Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia

2008 Doctor Honoris Causa, Kyrgyz State University of Construction, Transport and Architecture (Bishkek), Kyrgystan

2008 Certificate of Appreciation, Ahlia University, Khartoum, Sudan

2020 Honorary Professor, Durham University (United Kingdom)

Experience

Professional

Part-time Journalist, El-Ayam and El-Sahafa (Sudanese) newspapers (1971-1979)

Lecturer, University of Cairo (1976)

Assistant Director, Arab Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Khartoum (1977)

Assistant Director, Research Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Khartoum (January-June 1978)

Deputy Director, Legal Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Khartoum (July-December 1978)

Member of Sudan Permanent Mission to the United Nations Office, Geneva (1979-1982)

Vice-Consul of Sudan in Switzerland (1979-1982)

Legal Adviser of Sudan Permanent Mission to the United Nations Office, Geneva (1979-1982)

Senior Program Officer, Development Cooperation and External Relations Bureau for Africa, World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO), (1982-1985)

Director, Development Cooperation and External Relations Bureau for Arab and Central and Eastern European Countries, WIPO (1985-1994)

Ambassador, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Sudan (current status at national level)

Deputy Director General, WIPO (1994-1997)

Director General, WIPO, since 1997

Secretary-General, International Union for the Protection of Plant Varieties (UPOV), since 1997

Special

External Assessor for the title of Professor, College of Islamic Studies (CIS), Sheikh Hamad University, Doha, Qatar 2024

Member of The Academic Council, University of Khartoum (Sudan, April 2007)

Member, Board of Trustees, Nile Valley University (Egypt, June 2000)

Member, United Nations International Law Commission (ILC) (2000-2001)

Member, Advisory Council on Intellectual Property (ACIP), Franklin Pierce Law Center (Concord, New Hampshire, 1999)

Member, United Nations International Law Commission (ILC) (1992-1996)

Vice-Chairman of the International Law Commission (ILC) at its 45th session (1993)

Representative of the ILC in the 35th session of the Asian-African Legal Consultative Committee (AALCC) (Manila, March 1996)

Member, Working Group of the ILC on the drafting of the Statute of the International Criminal Court

Member, Drafting Committee of the ILC

Legal expert in a number of Ministerial Committees between Sudan and other countries

Member of the Legal Experts Committee of the Organization of African Unity (OAU), which formulated several regional conventions

Legal adviser in the Ministerial Councils and the Summit Conferences of the OAU (Khartoum, July 1978) (Monrovia, July 1979)

Participant in several meetings and international conferences of WHO, ILO, ITU, WIPO, Red Cross and the Executive Committee of the High Commissioner for Refugees

Member of Special Committees established for fundraising for refugees in Africa

Rapporteur of the Third Committee (Marine Scientific Research) of the summary Ninth session of the Third UN Conference on the Law of the Sea (Geneva, 1980)

Head of Sudan Delegation to the OAU Preparatory Meeting on the Draft Code of Conduct on Transfer of Technology (Addis Ababa, March 1981)

Spokesman of the African Group and the Group of 77 on all issues pertaining to Transfer of Technology, Energy, Restrictive Business Practices and Technical Co-operation among Developing Countries at the twenty-second and twenty-third sessions of the Trade and Development Board (Geneva, February and September 1981)

Head of Sudan Delegation and Spokesman of the African Group and Coordinator of the Group of 77 at the fourth session of the UN Conference on the Code of Conduct on Transfer of Technology (Geneva, March-April 1981)

Spokesman of the Group of 77 on Chapter 9 (Applicable Law and Settlement of Disputes) at the UN Conference on the International Code of Conduct on Transfer of Technology (Geneva, March-April 1981)

Head of Sudan Delegation and Chairman of the Workshop on Legal Policies on Technology Transfer (Kuwait, September 1981)

Chairman of the African Group and the Group of 77 at the first session of the Intergovernmental Group of Experts on Restrictive Business Practices (Geneva, November 1981)

Chairman of the Permanent Group of 15 on Transfer and Development of Technology, within the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) (Geneva, 1980-1983)

Spokesman of the African Group and the Group of 77 at the meeting on the Economic, Commercial and Developmental Aspects of the Industrial Property System (Geneva, February 1982)

Coordinator of the African Group and the Group of 77 at the first, second and third sessions of the Interim Committee on the International Code of Conduct on Transfer of Technology (Geneva, March, May, September-October 1982)

Coordinator of the African Group and the Group of 77 at the Meeting of Governmental Experts on the Transfer, Application and Development of Technology in the Capital Goods and Industrial Machinery Sectors (Geneva, July 1982)

Coordinator and spokesman of the African Group and the Group of 77 at the Intergovernmental Group of Experts on the Feasibility of Measuring Human Resource Flows on Reverse Transfer of Technology (Brain-Drain) (Geneva, August-September 1982)

Coordinator of developing countries on the drafting of the resolution concerning the mandate of the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, during the thirty-third session of the Executive Committee of the UNHCR (Geneva, October 1982)

Coordinator and spokesman of the African Group and the Group of 77 at the Meeting of Governmental Experts on the Transfer, Application and Development of Technology in the Energy Sector (Geneva, October-November 1982)

Coordinator and spokesman of the African Group and the Group of 77 at the fourth session of the Committee on Transfer of Technology (Geneva, November-December 1982)

Member, Board of Patrons, IP Management Resource (On-line version of Intellectual Property/Innovation Management Handbook), 2007

Co-President, Foreign Relations Committee, Ministry of Culture (Sudan, 2011)

President, Sudan Foundation for the defense of Syrian people (2012-2013)

Vice-President, Sudan Foundation for the defense of Rights and Freedom s (2012-2013)

Member, Sudan Foundation for Reconciliation and Religious co-existence (2012-2013)

Judicial Experience and Professional Membership of Associations

Member of the United Nations International Law Commission (ILC) (1992-1996) and (2000-2001)

Member and Chairman of several legal experts committees established within the OAU

Professor of Public International Law, University of Khartoum , Sudan

Member of the Sudan Bar Association (Khartoum)

Member of the African Jurists Association (Dakar and Paris)

Alternate Chair, Council of Foreign Relations, Ministry of Culture, Sudan

Registered Advocate and Commissioner for Oaths in the Republic of Sudan

Vice President, Sudan Organisation for the Protection of Fundamental Rights and Freedoms

Member, Sudan High Level Committee on Judicial Reform

Projects and Documents

Formulated and negotiated, on behalf of WIPO, numerous projects relating to development cooperation in the field of intellectual property

Organized, on behalf of WIPO, various seminars and workshops and presented several lectures

Drafted various documents on developmental aspects of intellectual property

Supervised and managed the administrative and substantive aspects of projects executed worldwide

Conferences, Seminars, Courses and Symposia

Represented Sudan in numerous international and regional conferences; participated in many seminars, symposia, discussion groups, and addressed graduate students on various international academic disciplines

Represented WIPO, in various international meetings, seminars and symposia

Represented WIPO on several UNDP Policy and Operations Programmes

Undertook a study tour at the Max Planck Institute (Munich) in the field of teaching of intellectual property law (1986)

Extensive lecture on COVID-19: The legal consequences of contractual obligations (May, 2020)

Publications

Euro-Arab Dialogue, June 1977
State Responsibility in International Law, September 1977
The Theory of Human Action, September 1977
The Philosophy of "Haddith" and "Sunna" in Islamic Law, January 1978
The Doctrine of Jurisdiction in International Law, December 1978
American Embassy in Tehran Case, March 1979
The Legal Regime of the Nile, December 1980
Issues pertaining to Transfer and Development of Technology in Sudan, May 1981
China and the Powers in the 19th Century, May 1981
Legal Dimensions of the Economic Cooperation among Developing Countries, June 1981
The Common Fund for Commodities, June 1981
General Aspects of Transfer of Technology at the National and International Levels, November 1981
Preferential Trading Arrangements among Developing Countries, February 1982
North-South Insurance Relations: The Unequal Exchange, December 1984
The Law of Non-Navigational Uses of International Water Courses; the International Law Commission's draft articles: An overview, November 1995
The Theory of Source and Target in Child Psychology, January 1996
A Better United Nations for the New Millennium, January 2000
Intellectual Property – A Power Tool for Economic Growth, 2003
Sudan, The Year 2020: Lessons and Visions, 2004
The Intellectual Property-Conscious Nations: Mapping the Path from Developing to Developed, 2006
Sudan 2020, (2008)
Sudan: From Least-Developed to Fast Developing, 2008
Arbitration: A Vision for the Enforcement of Justice, 2009
Arbitration: Critical Review Of Sudan Legislation on Arbitration (2005), 2009
A guide to my philosophy and quotations, 2015
Sudan's Path to the Future: A realistic dream for 2025, 2017
JASTA and the third World War, 2018
A Memoir: My Nile Odyssey, 2019
How: Mind-Set Success, Promise: Nothing Less Than My Dream: 2020
My Nile Odyssey (Arabic translation): 2022
JASTA and the third World War (Arabic translation): 2022
My Nile Odyssey (Audio Book):2023
DEMYSTIFY:
The Unseen Path
Insights from Moses and Al Khidr: 2024
The Unseen Path (Arabic translation): 2025
BEYOND THE VEIL:
A METAPHYSICAL ODYSSEY: 2025

Sudan's Marshall Plan:
Rebuilding the World's Forgotten Powerhouse: 2025

Books under publication

WHISPERS OF POWER:
ENCOUNTERS WITH GLOBAL ICONS

VOLCANIC FURY:
THE DEADLY TOLL OF ANGER

SILENT WISDOM:
THE POWER OF SAYING NOTHING

UNIVERSE CONTROLLED:
THE SOVREIGNTY OF ALLAH

DARK SECRETS:

The HIDDEN TRUTHS

HEART's THRONE:

WHY THE MIND IS JUST A PUPPET?

Articles

A number of articles on law, economics, jurisprudence and aesthetics published in various newspapers and periodicals.

Russia's Invasion of Crimea: Is it a violation of International Law