

Embassy of Algeria in France

## Biography of Ambassador

**Abdelkader MESDOUA**, born on the March 19<sup>th</sup>, 1957

- Grade : Minister Plenipotentiary
- Diploma from the diplomatic Section of the "Ecole Nationale d'Administration of Algeria" (*High School of Administration 1981*)
- Married ; Three (03) children,
- At the Ministry of Foreign Affairs since 1981,
- Working Languages: Arabic - French - English.



### Positions held:

#### - As an Ambassador

- Ambassador of Algeria to France, to the Principality of Andorra and to the principality of Monaco, based in Paris ;
- Permanent Representative of Algeria to UNESCO (*Since 28<sup>th</sup> September 2017*);
- Ambassador of Algeria to Libya (*January 2015- December 2016*) ;
- Ambassador of Algeria to Serbia and Montenegro(*April 2008- December2014*) ;
- Ambassador of Algeria to Nigeria, Benin and Togo based in Abuja(*2001- 2004*) ;

#### - In the Ministry of Foreign Affairs

- Ambassador Counselor to the Cabinet of the Minister of Foreign Affairs (*January 2017-September 2017*) ;
- Director General of Protocol (*October 2005 - March 2008*) ;
- Director of Social, Cultural, Humanitarian, Scientific and Technical International Issues (*November 2004 -September 2005*) ;
- Deputy Director of Prospective and Assessment at the MFA (*January 1994 - August 1995*) ;
- Counselor to the Department General Direction of Multilateral Relations (*November 1990 - May 1991*) ;
- Head of the "Security Council" desk (*June 1991 - December 1993*) ;
- Head of the Neighboring countries desk (Africa Department) (*1983-1986*) ;
- Secretary of Foreign Affairs (*1983*) ;

#### - In the Algerian Diplomatic Representations

- Minister-Counselor, Deputy Permanent Representative at the Permanent Mission of Algeria to the United Nations (*December 1997- January 2001, New-York*) ;
- First Counselor at the Permanent Mission of Algeria to the United Nations (*July 1995 - November 1997, New-York*) ;
- Algerian Representative to the 1<sup>st</sup> Committee in charge of Disarmament and International Security;

- Algerian Representative to the Disarmament Committee of the United Nations;
- Member of the Algerian Delegation at the 47<sup>th</sup> from the 48<sup>th</sup> Sessions and from the 50<sup>th</sup> to the 55<sup>th</sup> Sessions of the United Nations General Assembly;
- Member of the Algerian Delegation at the 1<sup>st</sup> and the 3<sup>rd</sup> Session of the Preparation Committee of the NPT Review Conference (*April 1997 and April 1999, New-York*);
- Member of the Algerian Delegation at the 1<sup>st</sup> Session of the Preparatory Committee of the CTBT (*May 1996, New-York and February 1997, Geneva*);
- Vice Chairman of the 1<sup>st</sup> Committee in charge of Disarmament and International Security (*September-December 2000, New-York*);
- Chairman of the Working Group on the Establishment of Nuclear - Weapon Free Zones (*April 1997, New-York*);
- Head of the Algerian Delegation at the 1<sup>st</sup> and the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sessions of the Preparatory Committee of the UN Conference on Illicit Trade of Small Arms and Light Weapons (*March 2000, New-York*);
- First assistant to the Chairman of the 6<sup>th</sup> Review Conference of the NPT (*April- May 2000, New-York*);
- Rapporteur of the Ministerial African Conference on the Illicit Trade of Small Arms and Light Weapons (*November - December 2000, Bamako - Mali*);
- Head of the Algerian Delegation to the UN Summit on Environment Rio + 5 (*June 1997, New-York*);
- Member of the Algerian Delegation to the Ministerial Conferences of Non-aligned Movement (*April 1998 - May 2000, Cartagena de Indias, Colombia*);
- Coordinator of the Arab and African Groups at the First Committee of the UNGA (*1998-1999, New-York*);
- Member of the Algerian Delegation at the Summit of Islamic Organization Conference (OCI), (*December 1994, Casablanca-Morocco*);
- Counselor, *Charge d'Affaires a.i* to the Algerian Embassy in Niger (*1986-1990, Niamey*);

**Member of Algerian delegations at numerous Summits (OAU, AU, NEPAD, OIC) and International Seminars and Workshops on different issues.**

## **Publications**

Co-auteur of study entitled Ways and Means of Security as perceived by South Mediterranean Countries published in June 1995 by "*La Revue de la Fondation Méditerranéenne Stratégiques*".