

Biography

H.E. Mr. Salaheddine Mezouar

**Minister of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation of the Kingdom of Morocco
President-Designate of the COP 22 and CMP 12**

Mr. Salaheddine Mezouar was appointed by His Majesty, the King Mohammed VI, on October 10th 2013 as Minister of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation.

Mr. Mezouar was born in 1953 in Meknes. He holds a post-graduate diploma in Economic Sciences, from Grenoble University of Social Sciences in France, and a Higher Cycle Diploma in Management from the High Institute of Commerce and Enterprises Management (ISCAE) in Casablanca.

In January 2010 Mr. Mezouar was elected the President of the National Rally of Independents (RNI). He is deputy director at the Chamber of Representatives since the 2011 legislative elections.

Mr. Mezouar also held several high ministerial positions and undertook many positions in the public, semi-public and private sectors. He served as Minister of Economy and Finance in 2007 and as Minister of Industry, Trade and Upgrade of the Economy in 2004. In addition, he held the position of President of the Moroccan Association Textile and Clothing Industries (AMITH) in 2002 and that of President of Textiles and Leather Federation within the General Confederation of Moroccan Enterprises (CGEM).

Additionally, before being in "charge of mission" at the Office of Ports' Exploitation between 1986 and 1991, Mr Mezouar held the position of Administrator-Director General of a private textile company.