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Professional Experience:

Talal Abu-Ghazaleh is the founder and Chairman of the Talal Abu-Ghazaleh Organisation, the largest Arab group of professional service firms in the fields of auditing, valuation, management consulting, ICT development, business advisory, training, educational consultancy, capital services, human resources development, real estate consulting, translation, legal service, intellectual property rights protection and domain name registration.

His current international board chairmanships include: Chairman, Evian Group Arab Region Board of Trustees, the ICC Business Action to Support the Information Society (BASIS) and Perspective Europe Board of Trustees. Current board memberships also include, among others, the ICC Executive Board and World Links Worldwide Advisory Board. He is also the Vice Chair of the UN Global Compact, Vice Chair Global Alliance on ICT For Development (GAID) Steering Committee and Deputy Vice Chair of Evian Group Governing Body. As for previously held international positions, he chaired the ICC's Commission on E-Business Information Technologies and Telecoms (EBITT) and was also the Vice Chair of the United Nations Information and Communication Technologies Task Force (UN ICT TF). He also chaired the Working Group on Human Resources and Capacity Building (HRCB) of the UN ICT TF, the U.N. Intergovernmental Working Group of Experts on ISAR, the UN Committee of Experts on Global Accounting Standards, the Steering Committee for Newly Industrialised and Developing Countries' Affairs of the IASC and was the first Arab professional to become a member of its board and that of the International Auditing Practice Committee of the IFAC.

Mr. Abu-Ghazaleh is the founder and President of three not-for-profit organisations namely; the Arab Society of Certified Accountants (ASCA), the Arab Knowledge Management Society (AKMS), the Arab Society for Intellectual Property (ASIP) and Licensing Executives Society – Arab Countries (LES- AC). Mr. Abu Ghazaleh is the author of dictionaries on Accounting, Business, Intellectual Property and Legal.

Awards:

- 2007: IP Hall of Fame Recipient, IP Hall of Fame Academy, Chicago, USA
- 1988: Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters, Canisius College, New York, USA
- 1985: Decoration of the Republic of Tunisia
- 1985: Chevalier de la Legion d'Honneur, France
- 1967: Decoration of Independence of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan