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❖ **Current position**

Researcher and Head of the Livestock and Wildlife Laboratory in IRA

❖ **Experience and research interest**

I have 26 years experience in research and teaching in ruminant nutrition and camel production. I am holding the position of chairman of the department of animal science and the laboratory of livestock and wildlife. My research interest was focused on the main following topics:

- Camel husbandry and nutrition
- Camel production (meat, milk, wool, skin)
- Nutrition of ruminants in arid conditions
- Valorisation of local feed resources (date palm by-products ...) and pastures (salty pastures...)

❖ **Reasons to stand for election for ISOCARD executive committee**

During my career, I joined several research networks on dromedary (Maghreb network, CARDIN,...) but, unfortunately, they couldn't last for long periods. This is why I want to contribute actively to promote this young association (ISOCARD) in an objective of durability. The honor that I had to be the coordinator of the Steering Committee of the second conference (Jerba, 12-14 March 2009) enabled me to have contacts with the majority of the people who are interested in camelids in the world. I will work hardly to develop permanent contacts between the members of the ISOCARD by making the best use of the available technologies.

In case of my election in the executive council, I will also make all my best to represent all the members and to promote this association to become a world recognized association on the same level as the other animal species associations.

❖ **Any position held or advisory councils/committees**

Vice president of the National Network on Camel Research and Development (Comité National de Recherche et de Développement sur le dromadaire) since ten years. Member of EC of ISOCARD since 2009.