

ALGERIA



Area: 2,382,000 sq km
Capital: Algiers
Official language: Arabic
Joined OPEC: 1969
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HE Dr Chakib Khelil

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Family name: **Khelil**

First name: Chakib

Date of birth: 8 August 1939

Place of birth: Algeria

Marital status: Married, two children

Education: PhD in Petroleum Engineering, Texas A & M University, 1968

Posts held: Worked for Shell and Phillips Petroleum in Oklahoma and D R McCord and Associates in Dallas, Texas, USA

Returned to Algeria in 1971 as Head of Sonatrach's Petroleum Engineering Department and President of Alcore, a joint venture between Sonatrach and Corelab

Technical Adviser to the President of Algeria, 1973–76

President, Valhyd Programme in Algeria to plan, develop and finance hydrocarbon resources

Joined the World Bank in 1980, carried out petroleum projects in Africa, Latin America and Asia, then Head of Energy Unit for Latin America, and finally as Petroleum Adviser

Took early retirement from the World Bank in October 1999 to become Adviser to the President of Algeria

Minister of Energy and Mines, December 1999 to date

Languages: English, French, Spanish, Portuguese and Arabic