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The OPEC Secretariat is the executive organ of the Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC). Located in Vienna, Austria, it also functions as the Headquarters of the Organization.

The Secretariat is headed by the Secretary General who is the legally-authorized representative of the Organization. He is the Chief Executive Officer of the Secretariat and, in that capacity, runs the affairs of the Organization in accordance with the directions of the Board of Governors. The Secretary General is appointed by the Conference from a Member Country for a period of three years, a term of office that may be renewed once for the same period of time.

In the almost half a century of existence of the Organization, the Secretariat has been run by 22 Secretaries General (and five Presidents who were asked to oversee the Secretariat’s work in the absence of a Secretary General), beginning with HE Dr Fuad Rouhani of the Islamic Republic of Iran, in 1961, to the present incumbent HE Mohammad Sanusi Barkindo of Nigeria, who has been in charge since 1 August 2016.

These distinguished gentlemen, with the support of their staff in the Secretariat, have each contributed significantly to the development of the Organization through the execution of its policies and the propagation of its cause over the years.

This booklet, therefore, has been prepared as a tribute to the past and present Secretaries General.
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* Now, Islamic Republic of Iran.
** Now, the Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya.
*** Elected as President of the Conference with the mandate to also supervise the Secretariat.
**** Now, Libya.
OPEC (1961–present)

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Dr Subroto*** Indonesia 31.10.1984–9.12.1985
Dr Arturo Hernández Grisanti*** Venezuela 1.1.1986–30.6.1986
Dr Alhaji Rilwanu Lukman*** Nigeria 1.7.1986–30.6.1988
Dr Subroto3 Indonesia 1.7.1988–30.6.1994
Dr Alí Rodríguez Araque Venezuela 1.1.2001–30.6.2002
Dr Purnomo Yusgiantoro Indonesia 1.1.2004–31.12.2004
Mohammad Sanusi Barkindo Nigeria 1.8.2016–present

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Dr Fuad Rouhani* 1961–1964

**Member Country:** Iran

**Date and place of birth:** 23 October 1907, Tehran, Iran

**Education:** Degree in Law, University of London

**Positions held:**

- **1926–1951** Legal and Administrative Branches, Anglo-American Oil Company
- **1951–1954** Chief Legal Adviser, National Iranian Oil Company
- **1954–1959** Director, National Iranian Oil Company
- **1961–1964** Secretary General of OPEC and Chairman of the OPEC Board of Governors

* deceased
| Member Country: | Iraq |
| Date and place of birth: | 20 February 1913, Baghdad, Iraq |
| Education: | University of Baghdad and King’s College, London |
| Positions held: | |
| 1945–1955 | High Court Judge |
| 1955–1969 | Dean of the Law College, Baghdad University |
| 1959–1963 | Professor of Arab Nationalism and (later) Director, Arab League Institute of Higher Arab Studies, |
| 1963–1965 | Ambassador to the United Arab Republic (now, Egypt) and to the United Kingdom |
| 1964–1965 | Secretary General of OPEC |

* deceased
Ashraf T. Lutfi* 1965–1966

Member Country: Kuwait

Date and place of birth: 1 January 1919, Jaffa, Palestine

Education: BA, Scots College, Safad, Palestine

Positions held:

1938–1949 Teacher in Elementary and Secondary Schools
1946–1948 Welfare Officer
1948–1955 Secretary to State Secretary, Government Secretariat
1955–1961 Assistant Secretary of State
1961–1964 Director, Office of the Emir of Kuwait
1964–1965 Adviser on Oil Affairs, Ministry of Finance and Industry
1965–1966 Secretary General of OPEC

* deceased
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<td><strong>Date and place of birth:</strong></td>
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Dr Francisco R. Parra 1968

Member Country: Venezuela

Date and place of birth: 30 August 1929, Caracas, Venezuela

Education:
- Licence es sciences politiques, University of Geneva, Switzerland
- PhD, Political Science, Graduate Institute of International Studies, Geneva, Switzerland, 1966

Positions held:

1951–1960 Economic Analyst, Creole Petroleum Corporation, Caracas, Venezuela

1960–1962 Petroleum Economist with the industrial research firm of Arthur D. Little Inc, Cambridge, Massachusetts, USA

1962–1965 Economic Adviser to the Secretary General of OPEC and (later) Chief of the Economics Department, OPEC

1966–1968 Adviser to the Secretary General, OPEC

1968 Secretary General of OPEC
**Dr Elrich Sanger**

* deceased

**Member Country:** Indonesia

**Date and place of birth:** 14 January 1927, Gorontalo, Indonesia

**Education:** Doctorate Degree in Law, University of Bonn, Germany

**Positions held:**

1959
Head of the Bureau of Oil Affairs, Ministry of Industry

1960
Member of the Board for Distribution of Oil Products

1961
Secretary of Indonesian Oil Negotiating Committee

1964
Chief of Staff of Perusahaan Pertambangan Minyak Dan Gas Bumi Negara (Pertamina)

1964–1967
Under Secretary, Ministry of Oil

1966–1969
Director in Charge of Legal Affairs, Foreign Relations and International Marketing, Board of Pertamina

1969
Secretary General of OPEC

* deceased
Omar El-Badri

Member Country: Libya

Date and place of birth: 1937, Libya

Education: BA, Economics and Political Science, University of Dublin, 1961

Positions held:

1961–1969 Consulting correspondent for the Economist Intelligence Unit
Economic Research Worker
Contributor on economic matters to newspapers in Libya

1970 Secretary General of OPEC
Dr Nadim Pachachi* 1971–1972

**Member Country:** Iraq**

**Date and place of birth:** 18 March 1914, Baghdad, Iraq

**Education:** BSc, Associate of the Royal School of Mines (ARSM), London; Diploma and PhD, Imperial College of Science and Technology, University of London

**Positions held:**

1941–1943 Director of Department of Oil and Minerals, Ministry of Economics

1943–1952 Director General, Ministry of Economics

1952–1953 Minister of Economics (including oil sector)

1953 Minister of Development

1953–1957 Minister of Economics

1957–1958 Minister of Finance

1952–1958 Member of the Iraqi Parliament

1960–1964 Oil Adviser to the Libyan Government

1966–1968 Oil Adviser to the Kuwaiti Government

1966–1971 Oil Adviser to His Highness the Ruler of Abu Dhabi and his Government

1971–1972 Secretary General of OPEC

* deceased

** Appointed OPEC Secretary General from the United Arab Emirates
Dr Abderrahman Khène 1973–1974

*Member Country:* Algeria

*Date and place of birth:* 6 March 1931, Collo, Algeria

*Education:* Doctorate Degree in Medicine, University of Algiers, 1968

*Positions held:*

1956  
Officer, National Liberation Army (ALN)

1958–1960  
Secretary of State, Provisional Government of the Algerian Republic (GPRA)

1960–1961  
General Controller of National Liberation Front (FLN)

1961–1962  
Head of Finance Department, GPRA

1962–1965  
President of Algerian-French Organisme de Mise en Valeur des Ressources du Sous-Sol Saharien

1964  
President, Electricité et Gaz d’Algérie

1965–1966  
Member of the Board of Directors, Société Nationale de Recherches et d’Exploitation des Pétroles en Algérie (SNREPAL); in charge of implementing “the settlement of questions concerning hydrocarbons and the industrial development of Algeria.” Participated in negotiations with the oil companies on the revision of fiscal terms.

1966–1971  
President, Algerian-French Organisme de Coopération Industrielle

1966–1970  
Minister of Public Works

1970–1973  
Physician in the Department of Cardiology, University Hospital of Algiers

1973–1974  
Secretary General of OPEC
Chief M.O. Feyide* 1975–1976

**Member Country:** Nigeria

**Date and place of birth:** 31 March 1926, Ondo State, Nigeria

**Education:** Government College Ibadan; Camborne School of Mines, University of Exeter; Imperial College of Science and Technology, University of London

**Positions held:**

1946–1949 Sub-Inspector of Mines

1954–1959 Inspector of Mines

1960 Petroleum Engineer, Ministry of Mines and Power

1960–1961 Attached to BP Sunbury Research Centre and Eakring Oil Fields, United Kingdom

1961 Ministry of Petroleum and Mines, Trinidad and Tobago

1962–1964 Senior Petroleum Engineer, Ministry of Mines and Power

1964–1970 Chief Petroleum Engineer, Head of Petroleum Division

1970–1974 Director, Petroleum Resources, Head of Department of Petroleum Resources

1975–1976 Secretary General of OPEC

* deceased
Ali M. Jaidah

**Member Country:** Qatar

**Date and place of birth:** 1941, Doha, Qatar

**Education:** BSc, Economics, University of London, 1965; MSc, Petroleum Economics, 1966

**Positions held:**

1966–1971

Head of Economics Division, Department of Petroleum Affairs, Ministry of Finance and Petroleum

Director of Petroleum Affairs, Department of Petroleum Affairs, Ministry of Finance and Petroleum

1971–1976

Member of the Board of Directors, Qatar General Petroleum Corporation (QGPC)

Member of the Executive Office of the Organization of Arab Petroleum Exporting Countries (OAPEC)

Head of Qatari Delegation to OPEC, OAPEC and other petroleum conferences and meetings

Qatari Governor for OPEC

1977–1978

Secretary General of OPEC
René G. Ortiz

1979–1981

Member Country: Ecuador

Date and place of birth: 31 December 1941, Quito, Ecuador

Education: Engineering Degree, National Polytechnic School, 1969

MSc, University of Miami, Florida, USA, 1971

Management Control Systems, Harvard Business School, Cambridge, Massachusetts, USA; Management Information Systems, Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy, Tufts University, Medford, Massachusetts, USA; Studies in Economics and International Law, Institute of Superior National Studies, Quito, Ecuador

Positions held:

1973
Marketing Head, Corporación Estatal Petrolera Ecuatoriana (CEPE)

1974–1978
Member of Ecuadorian Delegations to OPEC and the Latin-American Energy Organization (OLADE) meetings and conferences

1975
Assistant Consultant to General Manager of CEPE

1976–1978
Principal Adviser to the Minister of Natural and Energy Resources and Head Coordinator of the Petroleum Policy Advisory Board

1976–1978
Permanent Representative of Ecuador to the OPEC Economic Commission Board

1977
Ecuadorian Governor for OPEC

1978
Member of the Oxford Energy Club

1979–1981
Secretary General of OPEC
Dr Marc S. Nan Nguema 1981–1983

Member Country: Gabon

Date and place of birth: 13 April 1934, Lambarene, Gabon

Education: PhD, Faculty of Law and Economics, University of Paris; Diploma in Political Science, Paris Institute of Political Studies; Diploma in Business and Public Administration, National School of Administration, Paris, France

Positions held:

1963 Director, Economic Affairs Department, Libreville, Gabon

1964 Economic Affairs Officer, Research and Policy, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, New York, USA

1965 United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD)

1968 Ambassador, Permanent Mission of Gabon to the United Nations, Geneva, Switzerland

1970 Economic and Financial Executive, Elf Aquitaine, Paris, France

1972–1975 Adviser to the Executive Director, International Monetary Fund (IMF), Washington, DC, USA

1975–1976 Representative of Gabon to the OPEC Economic Commission Board

1976–1981 Deputy General Manager, Elf-Gabon

1981–1983 Secretary General of OPEC
Dr Mana Saeed Otaiba

Member Country: United Arab Emirates

Date and place of birth: 15 May 1946, Abu Dhabi, UAE

Education: Secondary school, Qatar, 1963; High school, United Kingdom, 1963–65; BSc, Economics and Political Science, University of Baghdad, Iraq, 1969; MSc, Economics, University of Cairo, Egypt, 1974; PhD, Economics, University of Cairo, Egypt, 1976; PhD (Honorary) International Law, Keio University, Tokyo, Japan; PhD (Honorary), Law, University of Manila, Philippines

Positions held:

1969
Chairman, Petroleum and Industrial Affairs of Department, Emirate of Abu Dhabi

1971
Minister of Petroleum, Industry and Minerals, Emirate of Abu Dhabi

1974
Minister of Petroleum and Mineral Resources, UAE Council of Ministers
Chairman, Abu Dhabi National Oil Company and Chairman, Abu Dhabi Gas Liquefaction Company
Chairman, Emirates General Petroleum Corporation
Member, Abu Dhabi Investment Authority
Member, Abu Dhabi Planning Council
Member, Supreme Petroleum Council (SPC)
Chairman, Ministerial Council, Organization of Arab Petroleum Exporting Countries (OAPC)

July–December 1983
President of the OPEC Conference*

* At the 68th Meeting of the Conference, the President was asked to supervise the Secretariat’s work, pending discussions concerning the appointment of a Secretary General.
Kamal Hassan Maghur

Member Country: Socialist People’s Libyan Arab Jamahiriya

Date and place of birth: 1935, Libya

Education: LLB, University of Cairo, Egypt, 1957; Postgraduate studies, France

Positions held:

1970 Judge, Libyan High Court
1973 Libyan Representative to the United Nations, New York, USA
1975 Libyan Ambassador to France
1978 Libyan Ambassador to the People’s Republic of China
1980 Libyan Agent to the International Court of Justice, The Hague, The Netherlands
1982 Secretary of Oil and Legal Adviser on Libyan oil policy; also, Head of legal committees formed to steer, supervise and follow up arbitration proceedings and negotiations resulting from Libya’s nationalisation of oil companies in 1970 and 1973

January–October 1984 President of the OPEC Conference*

* At the 69th Meeting of the Conference, the President was asked to supervise the Secretariat’s work, pending discussions concerning the appointment of a Secretary General.
Dr Subroto 1984–1985

Member Country: Indonesia

Date and place of birth: 19 September 1928, Surakarta, Indonesia

Education: BA, University of Indonesia, 1952; MA, McGill University, Montreal, Canada, 1956; PhD, University of Indonesia, 1958; International Teachers’ Programme (ITP), Harvard Business School, Cambridge, Massachusetts, USA, 1963–1964

Positions held:

1956 Research Assistant, Centre for International Studies, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, Massachusetts, USA

1956–1957 Junior Lecturer on International Economy and Economic Fluctuation, Faculty of Economics, University of Indonesia

1957 Deputy Director, Institute of Business and Public Administration, Faculty of Economics, University of Indonesia

1957–1958 Lecturer on International Economy, University of Indonesia

1963 Professor, Faculty of Economics, University of Indonesia

1966 Department of Trade, Director General of Research and Development

1971 Minister of Resettlement and Cooperatives

1973 Minister of Manpower, Resettlement and Cooperatives

1978–1988 Minister of Mines and Energy

October 1984–December 1985 President of the OPEC Conference*

* At the 71st Meeting of the Conference, the President was asked to supervise the Secretariat’s work, pending discussions concerning the appointment of a Secretary General.
Dr Arturo Hernández Grisanti

**Member Country:** Venezuela

**Date and place of birth:** 4 August 1928, Rio Caribe, Sucre State, Venezuela

**Education:** PhD (magna cum laude), Law and Political Science, Central University of Venezuela

**Positions held:**

- **1958-1959** Legal Adviser, Venezuelan Development Corporation
- **1959-1963** General Director, Ministry of Mines and Hydrocarbons; Minister of Mines and Hydrocarbons (*ad interim*) on several occasions
- **1964-1966, 1974-1977** Assistant to Head of the Parliamentary Fraction
- **1965-1967** Regional Secretary, Latin American Parliament
- **1967-1968** First Vice-President, Latin American Parliament
- **1973-1975** President, Latin American Parliament
- **1975-1979** National General Under-Secretary, Acción Democrática
- **1979** Vice-President, Fourth Europe–Latin America Parliamentary Conference, Rome, Italy
  
  Professor of Petroleum Policies Economics, Simón Bolívar University; Political Secretary, National Committee of Acción Democrática
- **1979-1984** Member, House of Representatives
- **1984** Elected to Senate; Minister of Energy and Mines
- **January-June 1986** President of the OPEC Conference*

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* At the 76th Meeting of the Conference, the President was asked to supervise the Secretariat’s work, pending discussions concerning the appointment of a Secretary General.
Dr Alhaji Rilwanu Lukman* 1986–1988

Member Country: Nigeria

Date and place of birth: 26 August 1938, Zaria, Kaduna State, Nigeria

Education:

Positions held:
- 1962–1964: Assistant Mining Engineer, A B Statsgruvor, Sweden
- 1974–1984: General Manager and Chief Executive Officer, Nigerian Mining Corporation, Nigeria

July 1986–June 1988: President of the OPEC Conference**

* deceased.

** At the 78th Meeting of the Conference, the President was asked to supervise the Secretariat’s work, pending discussions concerning the appointment of a Secretary General.
Dr Subroto

1988–1994

Member Country: Indonesia

Date and place of birth: 19 September 1928, Surakarta, Indonesia

Education:
- BA, University of Indonesia, 1952
- MA, McGill University, Montreal, Canada, 1956
- PhD, University of Indonesia, 1958
- International Teachers’ Programme (ITP), Harvard Business School, Cambridge, Massachusetts, USA, 1963–1964

Positions held:

1956
- Research Assistant, Centre for International Studies, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, Massachusetts, USA

1956–1957
- Junior Lecturer on International Economy and Economic Fluctuation, Faculty of Economics, University of Indonesia

1957
- Deputy Director, Institute of Business and Public Administration, Faculty of Economics, University of Indonesia

1957–1958
- Lecturer on International Economy, University of Indonesia

1963
- Professor, Faculty of Economics, University of Indonesia

1966
- Department of Trade, Director General of Research and Development

1971
- Minister of Resettlement and Cooperatives

1973
- Minister of Manpower, Resettlement and Cooperatives

1978–1988
- Minister of Mines and Energy

October 1984–December 1985
- President of the OPEC Conference

1988–1994
- Secretary General of OPEC
**Abdalla Salem El-Badri**

**Member Country:** Socialist People’s Libyan Arab Jamahiriya

**Date and place of birth:** 25 May 1940, Ghamminis, SP Libyan AJ

**Education:** BS, Accounting, Florida Southern University, USA

**Positions held:**

- **1965–1977**: Worked with Esso Standard (now, ExxonMobil)
- **1977–1980**: Member of the Board of Directors, Umm Al-Jawaby Oil Company
- **1980–1983**: Chairman, Waha Oil Company
- **1983–1990**: Chairman, National Oil Corporation (NOC)
- **1990–1992**: Secretary of the People’s Committee for Petroleum (Minister of Petroleum)
- **1993–2000**: Secretary of the General People’s Committee for Energy
- **1994**: President of the OPEC Conference and Secretary General of OPEC*

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*At the 96th Meeting of the Conference, the President was mandated to also assume the responsibilities of the Secretary General for a period of six months.*
Member Country: Nigeria

Date and place of birth: 26 August 1938, Zaria, Kaduna State, Nigeria


Positions held:

1962–1964 Assistant Mining Engineer, A B Statsgruvor, Sweden


1974–1984 General Manager and Chief Executive Officer, Nigerian Mining Corporation, Nigeria

1984–1985 Federal Minister of Mines, Power and Steel of Nigeria

1986–1989 Federal Minister of Petroleum Resources of Nigeria

July 1986–June 1988 President of the OPEC Conference

1989–1990 Minister of Foreign Affairs of Nigeria

1993–1994 Chairman, Board of Directors, National Electric Power Authority, Lagos, Nigeria

1995–2000 Secretary General of OPEC

* deceased.
**Member Country:** Venezuela

**Date and place of birth:** 9 September 1937, Ejido, Mérida State, Venezuela

**Education:** Faculty of Law, Central University of Venezuela, 1961; Economics, University of los Andes

**Positions held:**

1962–1983  Lawyer for civil, labour and commercial matters

1983–1999  Member, Congress of the Republic of Venezuela

1993–1999  Member, National Energy Council

1993–1999  Member, Energy and Mines Committee, Latin American Parliament

1994–1997  President, Committee of Energy and Mines of the House of the National Congress

1999–2004  Vice-President, Bicameral Committee of Energy and Mines for the analysis and approval of reports concerning contracts for the opening of the oil industry in Venezuela to foreign markets

1999–2004  Member of the Transition Committee of the Energy and Mines Programme of President Hugo Chávez

1999–2000  Senator, National Congress (representing the State of Bolívar)

2001–2002  Minister of Energy and Mines, Venezuela

2001–2002  Secretary General of OPEC
Dr Alvaro Silva Calderón 2002–2003

Member Country: Venezuela

Date and place of birth: 9 June 1929, Teresén, Monagas State, Venezuela

Education: Doctorate Degree in Law and Political Science, Central University of Venezuela, 1956

Positions held:

Member of the advisory team of Juan Pablo Pérez Alfonzo

President of the regional legislature of Monagas State

Member of the National Congress

President of the International Treaties Sub-Committee and Member of the Energy and Mines Committee

External Director of the Board, Petróleos de Venezuela, SA (PDVSA)

Member of the National Energy Council

December 2000–July 2002

Minister of Energy and Mines, Venezuela

2002–2003

Secretary General of OPEC
Dr Purnomo Yusgiantoro

Member Country: Indonesia

Date and place of birth: 16 June 1951, Semarang, Indonesia

Education:
- MA, Economics, University of Colorado, Boulder, Colorado, USA, 1988
- MSc and PhD, Resource Economics, Colorado School of Mines, USA, 1986 and 1988
- Class of the 25th Regular Course, National Defence Institute, Indonesia, 1992

Positions held:
- Lecturer at the National Defence Institute, Indonesia
- Lecturer in economics and management for undergraduate and graduate programmes in Indonesia and the USA
- Consultant at the World Bank and Asian Development Bank
- Assistant to the Minister of Mines and Energy, Indonesia
- Chairman of the Working Group for Marketing at the Board of Commissioner of Pertamina, Indonesia
- Indonesian Governor for OPEC
- Participant in the Working Group of the National Defence and Security Council, Indonesia
- Member of the Expert Team of the ad hoc Committee of the People’s Consultative Assembly formulating Guidelines for the State

August 2000–2009

- Minister of Energy and Mineral Resources

2004

- President of the OPEC Conference and Secretary General of OPEC*

Member Country: Kuwait

Date and place of birth: 12 August 1963, Lebanon

Education: BSc, Political Science, University of Kuwait, 1985; PhD (Honorary) International Law, Dong-A University, Pusan, South Korea, 1994; PhD (Honorary), United States Academy of Sports, 2000

Positions held:

1985–1990 Officer, Kuwait Army

1992–November 2000 Vice-Chairman, Public Authority for Youth and Sports

November 2000–February 2001 Chairman, Public Authority for Youth and Sports and Director General (with the rank of Minister)

2001 Minister of Information and Chairman of the National Council for Culture, Arts and Letters

February 2002–July 2003 Acting Minister of Oil

July 2003–July 2006 Minister of Energy

2005 President of the OPEC Conference and Secretary General of OPEC*

Dr Edmund Maduabebe Daukoru 2006

**Member Country:** Nigeria

**Date and place of birth:** 13 October 1943, Nembe, Bayelsa State, Nigeria

**Education:**
- BSc (Shell Scholar), Geology, Imperial College of Science and Technology, University of London, 1964–1967
- PhD, Geology, Imperial College of Science and Technology, University of London, 1970

**Positions held:**
- Shell Petroleum Development Company (SPDC), Team Geologist and (later) General Manager, Exploration
- Various posts at Shell International Petroleum (in Holland, Ireland, Italy, Spain, France, Switzerland and Tunisia)
- Group Managing Director, Nigerian National Petroleum Corporation (NNPC)
- Presidential Adviser on Petroleum and Energy
- Minister of State for Petroleum Resources
- President of the OPEC Conference and Secretary General of OPEC*

Abdalla Salem El–Badri

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1990–1992 Secretary of the People’s Committee for Petroleum (Minister of Petroleum)

1993–2000 Secretary of the General People’s Committee for Energy

1994 President of the OPEC Conference and Secretary General of OPEC

1996–1997 President of the OPEC Conference

1998 President of the Organization of the Arab Petroleum Exporting Countries (OAPEC)

1987–1990 Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Arab Petroleum Services Company

2000 Member of the Board of Libya Oil Invest (Tamoil)

2000–2002 Chairman, NOC
Deputy Secretary of the General People’s Committee of Libya for Services (Deputy Prime Minister for Services)

2002–2004 Deputy Secretary of the General People’s Committee of Libya (Deputy Prime Minister)

2004–2006 Chairman, NOC

2005–06 Chairman of the Board of Libya Oil Invest (Tamoil)

2007–31 July 2016 Secretary General of OPEC

* Served as acting Secretary General from 01 January 2016 to 31 July 2016 in accordance with Resolution No. 168.492 adopted by the 168th Meeting of the Conference in December 2015.
Mohammad Sanusi Barkindo 2016–present

**Member Country:** Nigeria

**Date and place of birth:** 20 April 1959, Yola, Adamawa State, Nigeria

**Education:**
- BSc (Hons) in Political Science, Ahmadu Bello University, Nigeria
- Post Graduate Diploma in Petroleum Economics, Oxford, UK
- MBA in Finance and Banking, Washington University, USA

**Positions held:**

- 1982–1985 Nigerian Mining Corporation, Principal Administrative Officer
- 1984–1986 Special Assistant to the Minister of Mines, Power and Steel
- 1986–1989 Special Assistant to the Minister of Petroleum Resources and Head, Office of the Chairman of the NNPC Board
- 1986-2010 Nigerian Delegate to OPEC Ministerial Conferences
- 1990 Special Assistant to Minister of Foreign Affairs
- 1992 Head, International Investments, NNPC
- Head, International Trade, NNPC London
- President Duke Oil Inc.
- 1993-1994 Chairman, NAPOIL
- 1993-1997 General Manager, NNPC London Office
- 1993-2008 Nigeria’s National Representative on OPEC’s ECB
- 1998-2003 Managing Director/Chief Executive, HYSON/CALSON
- 2003-2004 Group General Manager, Investments, NNPC
- 2006 Acting Secretary General of OPEC, Chair of ECB
- 2007 Deputy Managing Director/Chief Executive, NLNG
- Office of Coordinator Special Projects, NNPC
- 2007-2009 Vice President of Conference of the Parties at COP13, COP14 and COP15 of the UNFCCC
- 2008-2009 Oversaw all Federal Government projects vested in NNPC
- 2008 Member of the Oil and Gas Industry Reform Implementation Committee (OGIC) that drafted original Petroleum Industrial Bill
- Head of NNPC Transformation Programme
- 2009-2010 Group Managing Director/Chief Executive Officer, NNPC
- Special Assistant to the Minister of Petroleum and Energy
- Board Member, NNPC investee companies
- Nigeria’s Governor for OPEC
- 2014-2016 Fellowship Programme, George Mason University, USA
- 2016-present OPEC Secretary General
Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries

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