

The Federation of Arab Engineers in cooperation with Tunisian engineers Chamber organized the first international conference of Arab expatriated engineers between 28 April and 02 May, 2008 in Tunis.

The conference was under the auspices of His Excellency the President of the Republic of Tunisia Zine El Abidine Ben Ali. The organizers wanted that the Arab expatriated engineers invest their know-how and experience in Arab countries. Approximately 250 engineers from various engineering sectors have participated in the conference. They came from all countries in the world such as France, Germany, Britain, the United States, Canada, the Netherlands, Brazil, Russia, Argentina, Japan and others.

Main objectives of the conference:

- Motivation the engineers to investment in the Arab world and to use incentives provided by the laws in this area.

- Transfer of modern technologies in the Arab world and benefit from the experiences of expatriated engineers.

- Promote cooperation between the Arab engineers as individuals, organizations and bodies of Engineering.

It Was in the conference international personalities such as:

- Mr Matsuura Kyoshiro: Director-General of the International Organization for Education, Culture and Science.

- Mr. Barry garer: Chairman of the World Federation of Engineering Organizations.

A delegation of the European Union Arabic Engineers participated in the conference. This delegation included Dr. Jihad Al Chami Union chairman and Eng. Nashaat Elfar - Eng. Jamal Karsli - Prof. Alexander Fehru - Dr.-Eng. Fouad Richi - Eng. Chawakt Takla - Dr.-Eng. Khaled Nabout - Giath Tatari. The European Arabic Engineers Union has in the conference very good image through presentation of the President of Union Dr.-Ing. Jihad Al Chami and other member of delegation.

Several Tunisian and Arab ministers have participated also in this international event. An exhibition was on the fringes of the conference by Arab institutions and companies from the fields of industry, services and communications technologies. The participating delegations also visited some tourist areas and industrial and technology centers.