



Biography of Ambassador Musa KULAKLIKAYA, Director General of The Statistical, Economic and Social Research and Training Centre for Islamic Countries (SESRIC)

Amb. Musa KULAKLIKAYA is the Director General of SESRIC since March 2015. He started his professional career as an expert at the Turkish State Railways (TCDD). Following this, he started to work as candidate district governor at the Ministry of Interior. After completion of the training period, he served as district governor and deputy governor in different provinces and cities of Turkey.

In 2004, Musa KULAKLIKAYA became vice president of Turkish Cooperation and Coordination Agency (TIKA). After holding this post for 3,5 years, he was appointed as President of TIKA where he undertook significant international development projects. He focused on regional development projects mainly on infrastructure development, sustainable agriculture production, irrigation systems, health, vocational education training, capacity building programmes in state organizations and humanitarian aid. Moreover, he enhanced collaboration with international partners including IDB, World Bank, UNDP, FAO, ECO and SESRIC. In 2011, he was assigned as the Ambassador of Turkey to Mauritania where he coordinated food security, drinking water and health projects in cooperation with Turkish NGOs and TIKA.

In recognition of his tremendous contribution to agricultural sustainability and fight against hunger, he was, in 2010, awarded the “ECO Prize” by the Economic Cooperation Agency (ECO), and “World Food Day Award” by the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO).

Amb. Kulaklikaya obtained his PhD from Ankara University, Master’s in finance from Karadeniz Technical University and his BA in Business Administration from Ankara University Faculty of Political Science.