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Dr. Talal Abu- Ghazaleh was born on April 22, 1938 in Jaffa, Palestine. At the age of 10 he and his family shared the fate of many Palestinians, becaming refugees in Lebanon. In 1960 he earned Bachelor of Science in Business Administration degree from the American University of Beirut, Lebanon.

In 1972 he founded an accounting company in Kuwait, with the trunk of his car serving as the "office". By the present, this small company grew into a global organization now called Talal Abu-Ghazaleh Global (TAG.Global), a truly global family of companies providing world-class professional and educational services working through more than 100 offices worldwide.

Dr. Talal Abu-Ghazaleh's stature as a great man of vision, purpose and manifold accomplishments has brought him into the presence of kings, prices, presidents, ministers, ambassadors, leaders of global international organizations and world trading system, as well as internet pioneers and leading intellectuals.

He served as member of the Jordanian Senate, Chair or member of governing bodies of innumerable United Nations and multilateral international organizations. He presides over global holding companies and professional service firms, information and communication technologies initiatives and socioeconomic development institutions.

Recognized as one of the most influential leaders in the world, with lifetime achievements, international leadership positions, books and articles in his impressive record, Dr. Talal Abu-Ghazaleh has made and continues to make distinctive and outstanding contribution to education, accountancy, intellectual Property, business administration and management, commerce, ICT, science and technology, law and other fields.

His seminal contribution in many fields earned him numerous awards and honors from various governments and international institutions, including such high awards and decorations as Legion d'Honneur (France), Commendatore dell'Ordine della Stella d'Italia (Italy), Decoration of Independence of the First Order (Jordan), and many others and many other honorary PHD Doctorate degrees from leading Universities.

A true visionary, Dr. Talal Abu-Ghazaleh fostered, in a series of books and articles and in his inspired leadership of the activities of TAG. Global, the development of the new paradigm of global development that he had characterized as the Fourth Industrial Revolution-the emergence of a Knowledge Era, the digital age that promises a wealth of opportunity and astounding progress for all.

Dr. Talal Abu-Ghazaleh's contribution to ensuring that the Arab world fully participates in and benefits from the information revolution is without equal. A builder of institutions with a sence of history and a vision for the renaissance of the Arab world in the context of the emerging knowledge world.

Dr. Talal Abu-Ghazaleh launched and brought into fruition several visionary and valuable initiatives in capacity building, community service, media and journalism, such as, to name just a few, the Talal Abu Ghazaleh international Diploma in IT Skills (TAG-DIT), the Knowledge Forum, a space for dialogue and exchange of knowledge, and the Center of Governance, a platform for raising awareness and for the exercise of the social role in serving the society.

Believing passionately that access to quality education is a human right, Dr. Talal Abu-Ghazaleh established numerous educational institutions, ranging from knowledge Centers that empower the Arab youth with access, free of charge, to the tools of the information revolution and skills to benefit from it to the College of Innovation that nurtures young creators to the online Digital University where accredited educational programs are available to everyone, everywhere at affordable cost.

For a detailed presentation of Dr. Talal Abu-Ghazaleh's leadership positions, initiatives, awards and decorations, and publications.

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