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# newsConference of Rhida Tlili "A non-securitarian alternative to counter religious radicalisation".

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#### Conference

# A non-securitarian alternative to counter religious radicalisation: the case of Tunisia

• This conference will be given in Spanish and French with the assistance of simultaneous translation.

**By RIDHA TLILI** (Tunisia) professor of the University of Tunis, is the director of the Centre of Studies on Cultural Development, UNESCO/ Tunisia and of the Laboratory of Memories and Identities at the National Institute of Heritage of Tunisia.

Presents and moderates **Inmaculada Marrero Rocha**, director of the Chair of the Studies in Islamic Civilization and Renewal of Religious Thought and Executive Secretary of the Euroarab Foundation for Higher Studies.

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In this speech, Professor Ridha Tlili presents a practical alternative to fight against religious radicalisation in his country, Tunisia.

During his presentation, he will talk about the experience of **Ahmed Tilli for Democratic Culture Foundation** that, for years, has worked directly with religious mediators, imams, preachers and teachers in Koranic schools (unregulated religious education) and of the Kuttab (traditional preschool). He considers very necessary to negotiate directly, and in a pragmatic (not ideological) way, with these agents who detain and issue the keys to religious discourse.

In this context, the **Tlili Foundation** has designed a civic training programme aimed at religious mediators in order to achieve their social integration, so that they are not left out of the democratic process and at the same time mitigate radicalisation by peaceful means.

#### **RIDHA TLILI**

Doctor in Contemporary History (1986) the subject he teaches at the University of Tunis. Tilli is Director of the Centre of Studies on Cultural Development, UNESCO/ Tunisia and of the Laboratory of Memories and Identities at the National Institute of Heritage of Tunisia. He also runs the Centre of Studies on Cultural Development, UNESCO-Tunisia. Tilli is an Ex-Consultant at Unesco-Magreb (Rabat), Ex Consultant at **ALECSO** and Secretary General of the Tunisian General Union of Labour (UGTT), organisation that obtained the Nobel Prize in 2015.

He is an associate Professor (assistant) at several universities as the University of Tampere (Finland), Saint-Joseph University of Beirut and in the Master's Degree "Mediterranean Studies" of the University of Tarragona, and a collaborating Researcher with the IEMED and the Andalusian Legacy.

He is the author of many publications among which we mention, Policies and cultural practices in Tunisia (1990); Cultural practices in the Mediterranean (1991); Arab-Iberoamerican Intercultural Dialogue (2004); The Carthage of the World (2007); Images of Tunisia (presentation and translation of the work by Alfonso De La Serna)-2009; Islam in the 21st century (2019).

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