

Obituary

With a feeling of grief and sadness, the Secretariat of the Islamic Academy of Sciences announces the passing away of Dr. Anwar Bilbeisi, former Director General of the Islamic Academy of Sciences. Dr. Bilbeisi was an eminent scientist of international repute.



He passed away on Friday 31 May 2002 at his home in Amman after a long battle with illness. He was 75.

Dr. Bilbeisi was appointed the Director General of the IAS in 1989. He was a Urologist who obtained his MD at Cairo University in 1957 and a Diploma in Urology from London University in 1962.

Prior to joining IAS Dr. Bilbeisi held many senior positions in Jordan the last of which was the position of Secretary General, Ministry of Health of Jordan. He also served as Secretary General of the Jordan Medical Board for a number of years. He was also involved in rescue teams to disaster areas in Sudan, Algiers and North Yemen. Dr. Bilbeisi was also a member of several governmental and private committees and boards as well as a member in several professional bodies. He was awarded two Royal Medals, Alkawkab in 1988 and Alnahdah in 1989.

During his tenure at the IAS which spanned from 1989 till 1995, Dr. Bilbeisi helped to consolidate the Academy and worked to establish contacts with a long list of countries and organizations. He was a strong believer in helping poorer Islamic countries to attain a good level of development especially in the areas of health, nutrition as well as science and technology.

Dr. Bilbeisi will be greatly missed by his family, friends, Fellows of the Islamic Academy of Sciences and associates from all over the world. May his soul rest in peace. Inna Lillah Wa Inna Ilaihi Raji'oon.

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