

**BRIEF PROFILE OF PROFESSOR MUHAMMED TAWFIQ LADAN (2023 / 2024)
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Prof. M. T. Ladan is the Director General / CEO of the Nigerian Institute of Advanced Legal Studies, located at the Supreme Court of Nigeria Complex, Abuja and the University of Lagos, Akoka.

Prof. Ladan is a professor of law with (37) thirty-seven years experience in teaching, research, supervision and mentorship, with specialization in public international law relating to trade, investment, energy, environment, climate change, human rights, natural resource management, gender and development in Africa.

Prof. Ladan's contribution to the development of law and jurisprudence in Africa is manifested in his Sixteen (16) authored law books, over Eighty (80) Journal articles published and over one hundred (100) conference and seminar papers presented across all the continents of the globe: - USA, UK, Brazil, Canada France, Netherlands, Denmark, India, Switzerland, Indonesia, UAE, Jordan, Qatar, Kenya, Uganda, Tunisia, Egypt, Ethiopia, Cape Verde, South Africa, etc. Among his authored books are: -Introduction to jurisprudence (2010) and introduction to African Economic Integration Laws on Trade, Investment, Competition, Intellectual Property Rights and Dispute Settlement (2023).

Prof. Ladan's twenty-four (24) years consultancy and advisory services to United Nations Agencies like UNICEF, UNDP, ILO, UNCRI-Italy, UNHCR, UN Women, UNESCO, UNEP-Kenya, and UNODC, as well as Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) Commission, has resulted in the development and adoption for implementation of the following global and regional instruments: - UNEP Compendium on Innovative Laws promoting Green Economy, 2014; UNEP Compendium of best practices on Enforcement of Environmental law; UNICRI-UNEP Reports on Environmental Crimes, (2017); UN Declaration on the Culture of Peace UNESCO Draft report of 1997, adopted by the UN General Assembly in 1999 and resulted into the UN Declaration on the Right to Peace in 2016; ECOWAS Investment Code and Policy for West Africa, adopted in 2018; ECOWAS Supplementary Acts on Harmonization of Business Laws in Africa, etc.

Prof. Ladan has between 2019 and 2024 managed a two and half (2.5) million dollars MacArthur Foundation Grant on capacity building of the criminal Justice Sector in Nigeria. Ladan sits on IUCN-World Commission on Climate Crisis, Switzerland, 2023 – 2025;

Prof. Ladan has a post-doctoral certificate in leadership as a Hubert Humphrey Fellow, University of Minnesota, USA, 1999 – 2000; a certificate in Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) in 1996 from California State University, Sacramento; Ph.D. Law from Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria, Nigeria (1997), LLM (1990) and LLB in 1986. Prof. Ladan is Married with children.