

## **Samer Khoury**

Président, Engineering and Construction, Consolidated Contractors Company (CCC)



Samer Said Khoury was born in Beirut, Lebanon on  $23^{\rm rd}$  August 1960 to a Palestinian family that came to Lebanon during the 1948 Israeli-Arab war.

Samer spent his childhood between Kuwait and Lebanon, where he received his high school diploma in 1977 from the American High School in Kuwait.

He studied at California State University from 1978 to 1981 when he received his B.Sc. in Civil Engineering and went on to obtain an MBA in 1984 from the University of Southern California.

Following this, Samer returned to the Arabian Gulf and worked his way up the ranks of his father's engineering and construction company – Consolidated Contractors Company (CCC) – which is one of the largest Arab international construction companies operating throughout the Middle East, Africa, CIS, Europe and America.

From 1987 through 1990, Samer was responsible for the total operations of CCC in Kuwait, with an average turnover of 50\$M/year and more than 1,000 permanent staff.

In 1990, Samer moved to the Head Office of CCC in Athens, Greece. He worked in various departments gaining a wide range of experience in the Engineering & Construction field. In 1997, he took over the position of Executive Vice President Operations of the Group being responsible for the marketing and execution of the Group's worldwide activities.

CCC today is a large conglomerate with a broad range of activities ranging from its traditional engineering & construction role to the more extensive (innovative) role of an oil & gas and power developer. More than 120,000 individuals are employed worldwide and, according to the ENR listing, CCC ranks 17<sup>th</sup> amongst the largest international contractors. CCC's revenue in 2008 is in excess of 5 Billion US Dollars.

Samer is highly involved in business, social and educational activities in the Middle East and Europe. He is also a Board and Committee Member of the following Associations:

- Consolidated Contractors International Company (CCC), Greece
- National Petroleum Construction Company (NPCC), UAE
- CCC Underwater, UAE
- Sicon Oil & Gas, Italy
- International Pipeline Offshore Contractors Association (IPLOCA), Belgium
- CCC Oil & Gas, Lebanon
- Palestinian Investment Fund (PIF), Palestine
- Palestine Electric Company (PEC), Palestine
- Solomon Pools Project, Palestine
- Gaza International Hospital, Palestine
- Bethlehem Cardiology Hospital, Palestine





- Friends of Jerusalem, Palestine
- M.A.S. (Economic Policy Research Institute), Palestine
- Welfare Association, Geneva/Palestine
- Governor (Engineers & Contractors) World Economic Forum, Geneva
- The Arab Business Council World Economic Forum, Geneva
- Lebanese American University, Lebanon
- Education of Children, Jordan
- OneVoice Movement, USA
- Peace Works Foundation, USA
- Tufts University, USA
- Aspen Middle East Strategy Group, USA
- Center for Contemporary Arab Studies, USA
- Education for Employment Foundation, USA
- Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, USA

Samer has been married to Rania Khoury since 1989 and has two sons Saji, born in 1991, and Rayan born in 1993.