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Leila Mokaddem joined the African Development Bank (ADB) in 2002 as Head of the Financial Institutions Division, responsible for financing the banking sector, microfinance and support for small and medium-sized enterprises. The current Country Director for Morocco has also lead the implementation of the African Guarantee Fund and the Trade Finance Initiative before being promoted, in 2011, resident representative to the regional office in Senegal, through which she supervised the high level dialogue between the authorities of Gambia, Guinea Bissau, Mauriatnia and Cabo Verde.

Other than that, Ms. Mokaddem has supervised the implementation of the African Development Bank's operations in these 4 countries. In 2014, she was named resident representative in Egypt. From 1984 to 1996, she was Head of Export Policies and Strategies at the Ministry of Economy of Tunisian then worked for the IMF before joining the ADB. She was also counselor of the Minister of Finance in Haiti before being named, by the President of the same country, counselor of the Presidential Commission in charge of drafting the new Investment Code. From 1998 to 2002, she consulted on behalf of several international organisations, including the World Band and the Arab Bank for Economic Development in Africa (BADEA).

Graduated from the Institute of High Trade Studies in Tunis where she studies management, finance and public administration. She also has a Master's degree in International Trade.