

# *EVENTS*

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at *THE STROM THURMOND INSTITUTE*  
**His Excellency Hatem Atallah**

Topic:

**"From Clemson to Tunis: A Bridge for the Future"**

Date:

**Wednesday, July 9, 2003**

Time:

**7:30 PM**

Place:

**Self Auditorium, Strom Thurmond Institute, Clemson University**

Co-Sponsor:

**Department of History and Geography**

The Republic of Tunisia, strategically situated in the middle of the Mediterranean, African, Arab, Middle Eastern worlds and closely linked to Europe, plays a key role in strategies of economic development, globalization, and regional security. Atallah, who represents Tunisia in Washington, is a vigorous spokesman for his country and has a keen perspective on contemporary world affairs. Ambassador Atallah will speak to problems of war and peace in the Arab World and identify Tunisia's role in seeking solutions. In his talk, "From Clemson to Tunis: A Bridge to the Future," Ambassador Atallah will outline his vision for the connections that lie ahead for South Carolina—and Clemson University—in becoming a part of the global community.

Hatem Atallah has, since 2000, been serving his third tour of duty to the United States. Intimately familiar with American culture, he speaks fluent English and brings a North African charm to his discussions of the international scene. Before coming to Washington, Ambassador Atallah was first ambassador and then minister plenipotentiary to South Africa, Mozambique, Zambia, Namibia, Angola, and Zimbabwe; he has also served in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Tunis. Ambassador Atallah earned his undergraduate degree in the sociology of development and his master's in English literature from the University of Tunis. He is married with two children. His July 9th visit will be his first to South Carolina.



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Admission is free and the public is cordially invited to attend.

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