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Prof. Dr. Ahmet Mete Saatci received his Bachelor's Degree in Chemical Engineering from Middle East Technical University (METU) in 1972. He obtained his MSc in the same field in 1973. Between 1973 and 1976, he worked as an assistant in the Department of Environmental Engineering at İstanbul Technical University (İTU) and in1979, he obtained his doctorate degree from Iowa State University in the field of Sanitary (Civil) Engineering where he worked as a research assistant. In 1979, he was awarded an honorary research assistantship and continued his postdoctoral studies in University College London. He worked at University of King Abdul Aziz between 1980 and 1990. During this time, he worked in different water and wastewater collection, treatment projects and in research centers. He was appointed as associate professor in 1985 and professor in 1991. In 1990, he started a new Environmental Engineering Department in Marmara University in İstanbul and served as the Head of Department from 1990 to 2011. Since 2011, he is serving as the President of Turkish Water Institute (SUEN).

With a broad teaching experience, he lectured in undergraduate and graduate courses in Turkey and abroad on environmental engineering, water chemistry, unit operations, water and wastewater treatment plant design, operation and modeling. He gave seminars for water and wastewater treatment plant operators and supervised various M.S. and Ph.D. studies in Turkey and other countries.

He worked as a senior consultant to water and sewerage administrations of more than thirty cities in Turkey and in Saudi Arabia. He is the author of numerous papers, critiques and conference proceedings published in international journals.

He was a member of the Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey (TUBITAK) Scientific Committee between 2005 and 2011. He was the Deputy Secretary General of the 5<sup>th</sup> World Water Forum held in Istanbul in 2009. He served as the President of the European Network of Basin Organizations (Europe-INBO) for the 2012-2013 period. He was a member of the Governing Board of UNESCO-IHE Institute for Water Education. He served as the Scientific Committee Vice Chairman of the Ilisu Dam and HEPP Project in Turkey. He is a governor and member of the Governing Board (Bureau) of World Water Council (WWC). Recently, he was appointed as one of the members of Turkish Special Envoy to Iraq on water issues.