



## 5th World Water Forum Secretary General Prof.Dr. Oktay Tabasaran



The master of science of environment Prof.Dr.Oktay Tabasaran was born in Nevşehir in 1938.

After graduating the Austrian High School Sankt Georg in Istanbul he has started studying civil engineering in 1957 at the University of Stuttgart and specialized on environmental technologies. His doctorate was about, “converting energy from wastewater product processing” (1966).

Prof.Dr.Tabasaran has been a genuine pioneer in academic life. In 1972 Solid Waste and Air Waste Economy Department was established in the Stuttgart University for the first time in Germany and Prof.Dr.Tabasaran assumed the responsibility of the head of the department. Prof.Tabasaran had been the chair of Solid Waste Department, the chair of Drinking Water, Waste Water and Solid Waste Institute. He has also established the Environment Protection Institute Faculty and became the Dean of the Faculty. He has started the master program WASTE in English meanwhile.

Prof.Dr.Tabasaran has been the consultant of German Federal Environment Ministry , various State Ministries, public and private sector for many years. He has led the evaluation of solid wastes thermally, biologically and recycling plus landfilling. He has been the General Secretary of 5th World Water Forum since March 2007. Prof.Dr.Tabasaran knows German and English and has three children.