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Mr. Mourad Belguedj's experience prior to joining the World Bank in 1993 includes 24 years in the Oil and Gas sector with SONATRACH of Algeria. There he held key management positions including Head of Energy Economics and Corporate Development Planning, Executive Director for Exports of Gas, Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) and Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG), and lead negotiator for gas, LNG and LPG sales contracts and Charter Parties for LNG transportation. He was appointed CEO of the National Hydrocarbons Shipping Corporation (SNTM-HYPROC) in 1983, which he headed for nearly a decade. He was Member of the Board of: The Arab Maritime Petroleum Transport Company (AMPTC), The United Kingdom Protection & Indemnity Insurance Club and of the International Committee of Bureau Veritas of France. In 1991, He was appointed Cabinet Minister in Charge of Transport and Tourism, leading the privatization effort in his sectors as Chair of the President's Working Group on Economic Reform and Restructuring.

His Bank work includes Energy Sector Projects and Reviews, preparing the Legal and Regulatory framework to support institutional reforms in the energy sector, design and preparation of privatization of refineries and opening access to petroleum storage and handling facilities including ports; market liberalization; phasing out fuel subsidies, Gas Flaring mitigation and utilization, LPG recovery and National Gas Strategies for Angola and Nigeria and Regional Energy Market Development such as The West Africa Gas Pipeline.

His most recent country experience includes Angola, Benin, Côte d'Ivoire, Congo, Dominica, Ghana, Gabon, Madagascar, Mauritania, Moldova, Niger, Nigeria, The Comoros, Senegal and the Gambia, Trinidad and Tobago, Uganda, South Africa and Zimbabwe.