

Mr. Taoufik BACCAR, Governor of the Central Bank of Tunisia (BCT) presided over, on Monday 3 August 2009 in Tunis, a meeting with Tunisian experts operating in the financial and banking sector abroad.

On this occasion, Mr. BACCAR underlined the attention given by the Head of the State to Tunisian experts abroad and his concern about reinforcing links with this community to boost its contribution to development process.

He stressed the importance of strengthening participation of Tunisian experts in carrying national initiatives like the project to modernize the banking sector and implementation of Basle 2 norms. He added that the committee of reflection on Basle 2 and the centre of financial and monetary studies provide a framework favouring exchange of ideas and discussions with these experts.

Concurrently, Mr. BACCAR pointed out that promulgation of offshore financial services code and the law related to fighting against money laundering aim to provide a favourable legal framework for the project of Tunis Financial Port.

Furthermore, he went over advance of the project of full liberalisation of the dinar, stating that Tunisia has applied a rational and progressive approach in this area.

Participants in this meeting have raised issues tied to means to boost contribution of Tunisian experts abroad to development of the financial sector, notably, in the area of training with respect to innovative financial products further to issues related to the country monetary policy and consolidation of Tunisian banks' reserves.