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Charles Sha'ban is the Executive Director of Abu-Ghazaleh Intellectual Property (AGIP), and chairs the ICT committee of TAG.Global.

He is experienced in Intellectual Property Services, Digital Rights and Internet policy development and implementation strategies, with extensive technical and management experience in ICT, rich exposure to Intellectual Property Rights (IPRs), generic and country code Domain Names, and (Multilingual) Internationalized Domain Name issues.

Sha'ban was the first Arab to serve on the International Trademark Association (INTA) board of directors 2011-2014 and still serves in its Internet Committee.

Sha'ban served as the Chair of the Multistakeholder Advisory Group – Program committee (AMPAC) of the Arab Internet Governance Forum (Arab IGF) 2015 - 2020, served on the Multistakeholder Advisory Group (MAG) of the Global Internet Governance Forum (IGF) from 2006 until 2012. In 2004, he served on the Working Group on Internet Governance (WGIG) that was established by the UN Secretary General.

He served as a member of the Committee Structure and Participation Presidential Task Force that the International Trademark Association - INTA president established in 2014 to change the structure of its committees, after serving on the board of Directors and the INTA Board planning committee from 2011-2013. A board member of the Arab Intellectual Property Association (ASIP),

Sha'ban Co-authored the Thomson Compumark special report about brands in the Middle East:

<http://img.en25.com/Web/ThomsonReutersScience/1001619.pdf>

Co-authored the ICANN DNS study about the Middle East and adjoining countries:

<https://www.icann.org/en/system/files/files/meac-dns-study-26feb16-en.pdf>

During 2004 - 2007, he served on the ccNSO Council of ICANN. Currently, he is representing AGIP in ICANN Intellectual Property Constituency (IPC).

Sha'ban holds a Bachelor Degree in Computer Science from the University of Jordan and finished an Executive Course from Thunderbird School of Global Management: "Advanced Global Marketing Strategies"