HE Mr. Abdulla Hamad Al Attiyah, currently the President of the Administrative Control and Transparency Authority in Qatar, has served for over 30 years in the oil and gas industry. He was the Minister of Energy and Industry and the Chairman of Board of Directors and Managing Director of Qatar petroleum until 2011. He concurrently held the post of the Second Premier since 2003 and then the Deputy Premier in 2007. Mr. Al Attiyah played a significant role in the energy industry both at the regional and at the international level through his leadership and guidance roles in the OPEC and OAPEC organizations. He participated regularly in global energy forums and conferences and was always a sought-after keynote speaker at these events. His Excellency Al Attiyah is equally devoted to the issues of global climate change and sustainable development. He was elected as Chairman of the UN Commission on Sustainable Development in 2006 and has led Qatar’s delegation to a number of UNFCCC conferences. His Excellency was elected as the President of COP 18/CPM 8 in 2011 which was held in Doha, Qatar. He was instrumental in building consensus among the parties on the key issues of climate change, particularly on the Kyoto Protocol.

HE Mr. Al Attiyah was awarded a number of prestigious national and international medals in appreciation of his long lasting and outstanding contribution to the development of his country, Qatar, and his leadership role in the energy industry. To name a few, he was awarded the Medal of Honor with the rank of Senior officer by President Francois Holland in 2014, and the Grand Cross in the Order of the Orange in 2011 by her Majesty the Queen of Netherland. His Imperial Majesty, the Emperor of Japan conferred upon H.E. the Grand Cordon order of the rising sun, in 2008. His Highness the Emir of Qatar conferred on H.E. the Necklace of Independence in recognition of his role in the fight against corruption and his significant contribution to the development of the country.

In his leisure time, HE Abdullah Al Attiyah enjoys watching football matches as a former player in his football club, beside, fishing, travelling and reading.