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Leon Awerbuch has been involved in desalination for over 40 years. He joined Bechtel in 1972 in R&D followed by increased responsibilities for power and water programs as Bechtel VP and Senior Regional Representative Middle East.

As a developer of LET technology, he was granted numerous patents covering the Integrated Hybrid Technologies he was one of the early pioneers in Hybrid Power-Desalination concepts, Desalination Aquifer Storage and Recovery and Hybrid MSF-MED. The patented MSF-NF project in Sharjah UAE demonstrated a 50% improvement in the capacity of an existing distillation plant, for which the company won the 2007 Global Water Intelligence Award for Innovation. Mr. Awerbuch also won the first prize for Innovation conferred by the Saudi Water and Electricity Forum in 2007.

Mr. Awerbuch holds 28 patents and has published over 90 technical papers. He was Chairman of six IDA World Congresses. Chairman of IDA's Technical Programs for the past 19 years. He received a Lifetime Achievement Awards from IDA at the 2007 World Congress and at the Inaugural Power Generation and Water Solutions Middle East Awards October 2009.

