



## Name:

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## Country:

Morocco

## Job Title:

BRCGS Specialist - Second party auditor  
for Yum Brands - Food Safety Auditor

## About you...

Firstly, thanks for reading my success story. I am a technical consultant specializing in the field of food safety, quality, and occupational health and safety management systems. I graduated from The Faculty of Science and Technology of Sultan Moulay Slimane University, Beni-Mellal in Morocco, where I obtained my master's degree in science and technology, in the specialty of quality management in the food industry. I started my career in the fishing industry and then moved on to one of the largest fruit and vegetable freezing industries (strawberry, raspberry, apricot, and fig freezing).

I am now working for the last four years as a consultant, trainer, and auditor in the area of support, training, and auditing in the agricultural and agri-food sector, and I am a second-party auditor for YUM Brand standards (FSA, QSA, PFA, warehouse and transportation). I offer consulting, auditing, and training services for the primary production and food processing industries, and food packaging.

In general, I'm passionate about learning and training, that's why I obtained my CQ-IRCA in ISO 9001 V2015, Lead-auditor in ISO 22000 v2018, PCQI approved by FDA, validation of GMP courses provided by the Institute for Food Safety at Cornell University and all the mandatory courses to obtain the BRCGS badge.

## Why did you join the BRCGS Professional Programme?

I joined the BRCGS professional programme because firstly it is a great opportunity to improve and acquire new knowledge. Secondly, to be up to date with the tools and methods used to meet the requirements of the BRCGS standards. Thirdly, to offer high-quality services to my partners and to be able to accompany them on their way to certification. Considering all these elements, an international recognition is a real opportunity for me.

## What value do you personally feel the BRCGS Professional certification brings to you?

Being part of the world's Professional community is a real validation of my knowledge and skills as an expert consultant. It also encourages the companies I work with.

## How has the training helped improve operations at your site/company?

Building a food safety culture is a challenge that every industry is considering. Now as a BRCGS Professional, I have the necessary competence to contribute to the establishment and the maintaining of a solid culture within my partners' sites.

## What did you most enjoy about the training?

The shared experiences of all delegates and the teaching methods used by our expert trainer who is very professional, as well as the BRCGS training materials are very effective.

## **What are you most looking forward to within the Professional community?**

Sharing experience with different professionals from around the world to get precise and exact answers to questions related to the implementation of the BRCGS requirements.

## **How do you plan to keep your skills up to date?**

By following all the BRCGS updates, accessing the BRCGS Educate platform, and attending webinars and E-learning courses, I will be able to stay up to date.

## **What are your career ambitions/aims?**

Becoming a BRCGS auditor is one of my main goals, and being certified as a BRCGS Professional can help me reach my goal.