

John W. Kiser

Work History

1995-present

Spent the year 1994-1995 in St. Paul de Vence as part of a career change from business to writing, lecturing, and raising pigs.

1981-1994

President, Kiser Research Inc. Founded a consulting and brokering business in Washington DC which acquired rights to advanced technologies from the Russian and Eastern bloc countries.

1975-1981

Private consultant to US Department of State and writer on the technology potential of the Communist bloc countries.

Education

University of Chicago - MBA

Columbia University - MA European History

Goettingen University - German Studies

University of North Carolina - BA History

Languages: German, Russian, French

Books

2008 - *Commander of the Faithful: The Life and Times of Emir Abd el-Kader* (Monkfish)

2002 - *The Monks of Tibhirine: Faith, Love and Terror in Algeria* (St Martin's Press)
2006 winner of French Siloe Prize

1998 - *Stefan Zweig, Death of a Modern Man* (University of Toulouse)

1989 - *Communist Entrepreneurs* (Franklin Watts)

Numerous publications and media coverage can be found on the internet.

Associations

Chairman, William and Mary Greve Foundation, New York

Honorary Member, Urals Branch of Russian Academy of Science

Director, Cordoba Initiative

Director, International Center for Religion and Diplomacy

Board of Trustees, World Council for Religion and Peace

Adjunct Fellow, Center for Culture and Democracy, University of Virginia

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Praise for Kiser's Books...

Commander of The Faithful: The Life and Times of Emir Abd el-Kader

(Monkfish, 2008) www.truejihad.com

"Abd el-Kader's jihad provides Muslims with a much needed antidote to the toxic false jihads of today, dominated by anger, violence and hatred... Thank you John Kiser for bringing him back to life. Abd el-Kader is truly a treasure for the world."

HRH, Prince Hassan bin Talal of Jordan

We have much to learn from his life...a man of God who put his Muslim religion into practice and served as a bridge between the European and Islamic worlds."

Susan Eisenhower, Chairman of the Eisenhower Group, author of *Mrs. Ike*

The Monks of Tibhirine

(St Martin's Press, 2002) www.themonksoftibhirine.net

"His book paints a surprising picture of the bonds of faith between Christians and Muslims, and provides rays of hope for the future."

Dan Morgan, *Washington Post*

"A tragic story thoroughly reported, beautifully rendered with compassion and grit."

Christopher Buckley, author of *The White House Mess*

"I could not put down this excellent book. The book works on so many levels. It touched me deeply."

Imam Feisal Abdul Rauf, *Islamic Horizons Magazine*

Stefan Zweig: Death of a Modern Man

(University of Toulouse, 1997 – in translation)

"One must read this small volume which, with tenderness and chagrin, makes us love a great Jewish writer almost despite himself."

Elie Wiesel

"John Kiser's book is very, very good."

William Warner, *Beautiful Swimmers (Pulitzer)*

Communist Entrepreneurs

(Franklin Watts, 1988)

"John Kiser's Communist Entrepreneurs should spark a perestroika in our thinking about opportunities for learning from the Eastern Bloc."

Robert Waterman, *Pursuit of Excellence*

"Kiser challenges the stereotypes of Eastern European socialism."

Robert Mueller, Chairman, Arthur D. Little