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Ambassador of Djibouti to Egypt
Moussa Mohamed Ahmed

Ambassador of the Russian Federation to Egypt
Mikhail Bogdanov

Ambassador of Israel to Egypt
Shalom Cohen

Ambassador of France to Egypt
Philippe Coste

Ambassador of Turkey to Egypt
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Ambassador of Finland to Egypt
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US Ambassador to Egypt
Francis Ricciardone

Ambassador of Denmark to Egypt
Bjarne H. Sorensen

Ambassador of Egypt to Switzerland
Nihad Zikry



Mubarak

Muhammad Hosni

President of Egypt

04/05/1928

www.presidency.gov.eg

1949, Military Academy; 1950, Air Academy; studied Navigation and Instruction, USSR. 1950-68, Pilot, Instructor, Squadron Leader and Base Commander; 1964, Head, Military Delegation to the USSR; 1966, Station Commander, Cairo West Airfield; 1967-69, Director, Aeronautical Academy; 1969-72, Chief of Staff, Egyptian Air Force; 1969, Air Vice-Marshal; 1972-75, Commander, Egyptian Air Force. 1975-81, Vice-President. Since 1982, Chairman, National Democratic Party. Since 1981, President of Egypt (re-elected in 1987 and 1993). Recipient of the Star of Sinai. Mediated the conflict between Algeria and Morocco over the Western Sahara.



Mubarak

Suzanne

First Lady of Egypt

www.presidency.gov.eg

Since 1977, and before becoming the First Lady of Egypt, has been highly dedicated and involved in social, cultural and community services to improve the quality of life of women and children in Egypt. Among her numerous achievements were the initiatives for the establishment of children's libraries, clubs, museums and a unified law on children, campaigns on "Reading for All", Girls' Education, centres for disabled children and safe blood transfusion. Has also been the founder and chairperson of various organizations, societies and councils servicing women and children. Recently initiated the establishment of the Arab Women's Organization. In recognition for her personal commitment and contributions to the Egyptian people, has received several awards throughout her career including: The Maurice Pate Award by UNICEF; The Health for All Gold Medal by WHO; The American World Book Association for Publication Award; Avincenne Medal by UNESCO.



Mubarak

Gamal H.

Head, Policy Secretariat,
National Democratic Party,
Egypt

EG
27/12/1963

www.ndp.org.eg

1983, BA in Business Administration and Economics;
1986, MBA, American University in Cairo, Egypt. Member
of the Board: Egypt Trust; Arab African International
Bank; Egyptian Center for Economic Studies; Member of
the Executive Committee, US-Egypt Presidents' Council.
Expertise/interests: banking and financial services;
general aviation.



Nazif

Ahmed Mahmoud

Prime Minister of Egypt

EG

08/07/1952

www.cabinet.gov.eg

PhD in Computer Engineering, McGill University.
Formerly, Minister for Communications and Information
Technology, credited with establishing Egypt's free
Internet connectivity plan as well as improving public
access to computers through low-price computers sold
through the Egyptian telecommunications. Since 2004,
Prime Minister of Egypt.



Riad

Nader Noshy

President and Chief Executive
Officer

Bavaria Egypt SAE, Egypt

EG
21/04/1943

+20 2/593 0450
+20 2/591 6601 (fax)

www.bavaria.com.eg

Design, manufacture, market and provide after-sales service for a wide range of portable and mobile fire fighting equipment.

Personal: BSc in Mechanical Engineering, Aeronautical Dept.; MA in Industrial Engineering; PhD in Industrial Engineering. CEO, Bavaria International, Germany; Chairman and Managing Director: Bavaria Free Zone; Bavaria Alarm. Member of the Board: Sakkara Tourism Investments; Ramadan for Developments and Investments. Founder Member, Orientals Petrochemicals Company. Various public services activities.



Ebeid

Atef M.

Chairman

**Arab International Bank, Cairo,
Egypt**

EG
14/04/1936

+20 2/3905 765
+20 2/3916 356 (fax)

One of the leading banks in Egypt with capital of US\$ 3.9 billion.

Personal: 1962, PhD in Business, University of Illinois. Management Consultant to the Government: Ministry of Information; Ministry of Higher Education; Ministry of Housing; Ministry of Electricity; Ministry of Industry. Served as management consultant to the United Nations including to the UNDP and ILO. Additional experience as consultant to the private sector. 1984-93, Minister of Cabinet Affairs and Minister of State for Administrative Development; 1999-2004, Prime Minister of Egypt. Author of five books on management and 25 articles.



El Fekky

Anas

Minister of Information of Egypt

1983, degree in Commerce, Cairo University. Formerly: Market Director, Foreign Encyclopaedias; 1985, Founder, encyclopaedia marketing company; 1987, Translator and Publisher; 2002-04, Head, General Organization for Cultural Mansions; 2004-05, Youth Minister; since 2005, current position. Member of the Board of Trustees, Luxor City. Member of the Board: Mubarak Public Library; Cultural Development Fund; Supreme Council of Culture; Egyptian Publishers Association; Arab Council for Children's Books; Central Integrated Care Society; Egyptian Council for Children's Books. Member: Egyptian Council for Foreign Affairs; Egyptian-Canadian Business Council.



El Gabaly

Hatem M.

Minister of Health and
Population of Egypt

EG
20/12/1951

www.mohp.gov.eg

1975, MBBCh in Medicine; 1979, MSc and 1983, PhD in Radiology. Twenty-five years' experience in management of healthcare institutions; since 1978, Entrepreneur in health sector founding over five companies; since 2001, Professor, Cairo University.



Abou El Enien

Mohammad M.

Chairman

Cleopatra Group, Egypt

EG

05/09/1951

+20 2/761 4000

+20 2/335 8111 (fax)

www.groupcleopatra.com

One of Egypt's largest private sector companies, and among the most diversified. Since starting up in 1983, its growth has mirrored the pace of change in Egypt. It is active in the building materials, agriculture and agro-industries sectors, as well as in tourism, real estate, development and high-technology products and services. Ceramica Cleopatra, the foundation stone of the company, exports to more than 60 countries worldwide, and the quality of its tiles, stoneware, and bathroom ware is reflected by the holding of an ISO 9001 certificate.

Personal: BCom, Faculty of Commerce and Business Administration, Helwan University. Member, People's Assembly and Chairman, Parliamentary Industrial and Energy Committee. Member: Higher Council on Policies, National Democratic Party; American Chamber of Commerce, Egypt. Member of the Board, Federation of Egyptian Chamber of Commerce. Vice-President, Arab Investors Association. Trustee, Arab Thought Foundation. Chairman, Abou El Enein Charity.



Abbas

Mahmoud

President of the Palestinian Authority; Chairman of the Palestinian Liberation Organization Executive Committee

PS

www.pmo.gov.ps

Bachelor's of Arts in Law, University of Damascus; PhD in History, Oriental College, Moscow. 1980, elected to the Palestinian Liberation Organization's (PLO) Executive Committee; 1984, appointed Head of the Palestinian Liberation Organization's Department of National Affairs; April-September 2003, Prime Minister of the Palestinian Authority.



Abdel Nour

Mounir F.

Chairman

**Société Egyptienne pour les
Industries Agro-Alimentaires
SAE, Egypt**

EG
21/08/1945

+20 2/571 3142
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www.hero.com.eg

Produces premium quality fruit related products including private label jams and marmalades for local and export markets including Japan, the US, Canada, Australia and a few Arab countries. It plans to increase exports to Arab and African countries.

Personal: BSc in Statistics, Cairo University; MA in Economics, American University, Cairo. Formerly, Member of the Egyptian Parliament. Chairman, Hero Nutritional Food Industries. Member of the Board, Federation of Industries.



Aboulmagd

Ahmed K.

Professor of Law

Cairo University, Egypt

EG

28/06/1930

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www.cu.edu.eg

Master's in Comparative Law; Doctorate in Law.

Currently, Professor of Law, Cairo University; Attorney-at-Law. Vice-President, National Council for Human Rights; Commissioner for Dialogue Among Civilizations, Arab League; Member of the Board of Trustees, New Alexandria Library; Member, Academy of Islamic Legal Research, Al Azhar.



Aboulnaga

Fayza

Minister of International
Cooperation of Egypt

EG

12/11/1951

1975, joined the Egyptian Diplomatic Service; 1975-78, Second Secretary, Section of Disarmament and International Security Affairs, Department of International Organizations, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Cairo; 1979-84, First Secretary, Mission of Egypt to the United Nations, New York and 1979-80, Egypt's Representative to the Third Committee and 1980-83, to the First Committee; 1984-86, First Secretary, Office of the Minister of State for Foreign Affairs of Cairo; 1987-90, Coordinator, Egypt's defence team, Taba Arbitration Tribunal, Cairo; 1992-96, Special Assistant to Boutros Boutros-Ghali, United Nations, New York; 1997-99, Deputy Assistant Minister of Foreign Affairs for African Relations, Cairo; 1999-2001, Permanent Representative of Egypt to the United Nations, Geneva and its Specialized Agencies and Permanent Representative, World Trade Organization and the International Organizations, Switzerland; 2001, appointed Minister of State for Foreign Affairs of Egypt.



Al Aziz Hosni

Farouk Abd

Minister of Culture of Egypt

EG

Degree in Fine Arts, University of Alexandria. Formerly: Director, Technical Bureau, Ministry of Culture; Deputy Director, Egyptian Arts Academy, Rome; Director, Egyptian Arts Academy, Rome. Member, Cannes Festival Arbitration Committee. Recipient, 1990 Mediterranean Creation Award.



Bahgat

Ahmed

Chairman

Bahgat Group, Egypt

EG

04/05/1951

+20 2/855 3200

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A major conglomerate in the Middle East with business including: manufacturing, entertainment, real estate, hospitality, communications, urban development and information technology. The group produces a range of consumable goods.

Personal: 1974, BSc in Electronics and Communications; 1977, BSc in Pure and Applied Mathematics; 1980, PhD in Engineering Science. 1982, PhD Georgia Tech, USA.



Beshir

Akil Hamed

Chairman

Telecom Egypt, Egypt

EG

13/08/1944

+20 2/578 1414

+20 2/574 4244 (fax)

www.telecomegypt.com.eg

Originally established in 1918 as the Egyptian Telegraph and Telephone Administrator. Since that time, great progress in telecommunication networks has been achieved, and during the last two decades, it has adopted an ambitious strategy to review and develop switching and transmission network facilities.

Personal: 1966, BSc in Electronic Engineering, Faculty of Engineering, Cairo University; 1974, Professional Diploma in Management, American University in Cairo; 1979, MBA, AUC. 1966-69, Demonstrator, Faculty of Engineering, Cairo University; 1969-75, Programmer, Systems Analyst and Manager, Al-Ahram Management and Computer Centre; 1975-78, Manager, Computer Science Division and 1978-2000, General Manager and Managing Director, Giza Systems Engineering; 1983-2000, Vice-President, Egyptian Computer Systems; 1996-2000, Chairman, Al-Ahly Computer Equipment. Since 2000, current position. Interests: playing bridge.

Spouse's name: Gihan Bakir



Ezz

Ahmed A.

Chairman and Chief Executive
Officer

EZZ Industries, Egypt

EG
12/01/1959

+20 2/7621 091
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www.ezzindustries.com

The leading producer of hot rolled coils and reinforced steel bars in the Middle East, also leading producer of ceramic floor and wall tiles and porcelain tiles. Long-term, upstream industries in iron making and downstream industries in cold rolling.

Personal: BSc in Civil Engineering, Cairo University. Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Ezz Group of companies for over 20 years. Member: Peoples Assembly of Egypt; Secretary, Membership Committee and Chairman, Planning and Budgeting Committee, Secretariat of National Democratic Party. Interests: developing expertise in management, Egypt.



El Gamal

Yousry Saber Hussein

Minister of Education of Egypt

www1.emoe.org

1968, BSc in Engineering, Alexandria University.
Formerly: Arab Academy for Science and Technology;
Egyptian Atomic Energy Authority; Vice-Chairman, Arab
Academy for Science and Technology for Educational
Affairs.



Kamel

Tarek

**Minister of Communications and
Information Technology of Egypt**

EG

05/05/1962

www.mcit.gov.eg

1985, Graduate, Faculty of Engineering, Cairo University;
1992, PhD Fellowship, German Academic Exchange
(DAAD), Technical University of Munich. 1992-99,
Manager, Communication and Networking Department,
Cabinet Information and Decision Support Center
(IDSC/RITSEC); 1999-2004, Senior Adviser to the
Minister of Communication and Information Technology;
since July 2004, Minister of Communications and
Information Technology. Since 1996, Secretary, Egyptian
Internet Society; 1999-2002, Vice-President and Member
of the Board of Trustees, Internet Society (ISOC),
Virginia; since 2000, Board Member, Telecom Egypt.
Professor of Computer Networks, Electronics Research
Institute. Interests: Internet connectivity and governance.



**Young Global
Leader**

Mohieldin
Mahmoud Safwat

Minister of Investment of Egypt

EG
15/01/1965

www.investment.gov.eg

MSc, York University, UK; PhD, University of Warwick, UK. Since 2004, Minister of Investment, Egypt. Also, Associate Professor in Economics, Faculty of Economics and Political Science, Cairo University; Senior Economist, Egyptian Center for Economic Studies. Chairman, Economic Committee and Member, General Secretariat, National Democratic Party. Author of publications including papers on the significance and impact of informal credit transactions, financial reform, prudential regulation, trade in services, regional integration, corporate governance, competition policy. Specializes in economics of finance with special emphasis on developing countries and applied macroeconomics.



Moussa

Amre

**Secretary-General, League of
Arab States, Cairo**

EG
03/10/1936

www.arableagueonline.org

1957, LLB, Cairo University. 1957-58, Lawyer; 1958-72, in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in several departments and in the Egyptian mission including Egypt's United Nations mission; 1974-77, Assistant and Adviser to the Minister for Foreign Affairs; 1977-90, Director, Department of International Organizations; 1981-83, Alternate Permanent Representative of Egypt to the United Nations; 1983-86, Ambassador to India; 1990-91, Permanent Representative of Egypt to the UN, New York; 1991-2001, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Egypt. Since 2001, current position.



Rachid

Rachid M.

Minister of Trade and Industry of
Egypt

EG

19/02/1955

www.mfti.gov.eg

1978, BSc in Mech. Engin., Alexandria University;
Chairman, Rachid Group. Chairman/Shareholder:
Unilever Mashreq; Danone Mashreq; Dreem Egypt;
Mashreq de Produits Laitiers. Member, Exec. Cttee,
Unilever Bestfoods Worldwide. President, North Africa,
Middle East and Turkey region, Unilever. Mng Partner,
Rachid Mashreq Investments Group. Member, Exec.
Cttee, Library of Alexandria. Member, Board of Directors:
HSBC Bank, Middle East; Social Dvpmt Fund of Egypt;
Egyptian Center for Economic Studies; High Inst. of
Public Health; Egyptian British Chamber of Commerce,
London. Member, Board of Directors and Founder, Future
Generation Foundation. Chairman and Founder:
Alexandria Dvpmt Center; Egypt Int'l Economic Forum.
Member: Harvard; Alexandria Businessmen Assoc.;
American Chamber of Commerce; British Egyptian Bus.
Assoc. Hon. Consul of the Netherlands.



Sawiris

Naguib O.

Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

Orascom Telecom Holding
SAE, Egypt

EG
15/06/1954

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www.orascomtelecom.com

Leading international telecommunications company operating GSM networks in seven high-growth markets in the Middle East, Africa and South Asia, covering a total population of approximately 460 million with an average mobile telephony penetration of approximately 14%. It operates GSM networks in Algeria, Pakistan, Egypt, Tunisia, Iraq, Bangladesh and Zimbabwe and had over 30 million subscribers as at 31 December 2005.

Furthermore, OTH owns 19.3% of Hutchison Telecommunications International Limited.

Personal: Graduate, German Evangelical School, Cairo; Master's in Technical Administration, Swiss Institute of Technology. Chairman: Orascom Telecom Holding, since its spin-off from family-owned Orascom; Wind Telecommunications; Weather Investments; Egyptian Company for Mobile Services. Since 2003, Orascom Member of the Board, GSM Association.



El Zorba

Galal A.

Chairman
**Federation of Egyptian
Industries, Egypt**

EG
22/10/1943

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www.fei.org.eg

A non-governmental organization serving as the umbrella for 13 chambers representing 17,000 private sector industry enterprises as well as 314 public sector industry enterprises.

Personal: 1965, BSc in Business, Alexandria University. Currently, Chairman, Nile Clothing Company. Member: US Egyptian President Council; Egyptian Businessmen's Association; Egyptian German Chamber of Commerce; British Egyptian Business Association.



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Spring 2006

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| 31 May – 2 June | World Economic Forum on Africa,
Cape Town |
| 15-16 June | World Economic Forum on East Asia,
Tokyo |

Autumn 2006

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| To be
determined | Meet the German Government,
Germany |
| 10-11 September | China Business Summit 2006, Beijing |
| 23-24 November | World Economic Forum in Turkey,
Istanbul |
| 26-28 November | India Economic Summit 2006, New
Delhi |



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