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**Aug. 2017 – Jul. 2022** Executive Chair and Chairman of the Board, Financial Regulatory

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Sep. 2011-Aug. 2017 Executive Chair and Chairman of the Board, The Egyptian Stock

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Oct. 2005-Oct. 2006 Economist, International Monetary Fund, Middle East and Central

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Mar. 1994-Mar.1995 Economist, Ministry of International Co-operation, Egypt.

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- Chair of the Growth and Emerging Markets Committee (GEMC) and Vice Chair of the International Organization for Securities Commissions (IOSCO), (2020-22
- Executive Chair and Chairman of the Board, Financial Regulatory Authority, Egypt (2017-2022).
- Non-Executive Board Member, Central Bank of Egypt (2017-2022).
- Member of the Monetary Policy Committee, Central Bank of Egypt (2018-2022).
- Head of the Audit Committee, Central Bank of Egypt (2018-2022).
- Non-Executive Board Member, International Organization for Securities Commissions (IOSCO), (2018-2022).
- Non-Executive Board Member, Social Housing and Mortgage Finance Fund, Egypt (2019-2022).
- Chairman of the Board of Trustees, Egyptian Center for Arbitration and Settlement of Non-Banking Financial Disputes (2019-2022).
- Chairman of the Board of Trustees, Egyptian Institute of Directors (2017-2022).

- Chairman of the Board, Financial Services Institute, Egypt (2017-2022).
- Non-Executive Board Member, Pharmaceutical Holding Company, Egypt (2014-2018).
- Chairman of the Board, Federation of Euro-Asian Stock Exchanges (2013-2017).
- Executive Chair and Chairman of the Board, the Egyptian Stock Exchange (2011-2017).
- Chairman of the Board, Egypt for Information Dissemination Company (2011-2017).
- Non-Executive Board Member, Misr for Central Clearing, Depositary and Registry Company (2011-2017).
- Non-Executive Board Member, Financial Services Institute, Egypt (2010-2017).
- Non-Executive Board Member, Credit Guarantee Company, Egypt (2010-2012).
- Vice Chairman and Board Member, Insurance Holding Company (2010-2011).
- International Board Member, Privatization Agency of Kosovo, (2009-2014).
- Board of Trustees, El-Masry Foundation for Community Service (2008-2011).
- Non-Executive Board Member, Misr Insurance Company (2007-2010).
- Board of Trustees, Investment and Finance Institute, Egypt (2006-2011).
- Vice Chairman and Board Member, the Egyptian Stock Exchange (2006-2010).

### **Publications in Refereed Journals:**

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- L.E. 15.000 First Annual Scientific Research Award in the field of Social Science, Misr ElKhair Foundation, 2010 for the most cited author research in Economics and Finance in Egypt.
- \$8.500 Research grant for the project titled: Post-Privatization Corporate Governance and Firm Performance: The Role of Ownership Structure and Board Composition, the Economic Research Forum, GDN 7th Regional Research Competition, 2007.
- \$13.000 Research grant for the project titled: The Effect of Bank Regulation, Competition and Financial Reform on MENA Bank Profitability, with Samy Ben Naceur, the Economic Research Forum, GDN 7th Regional Research Competition, 2007.
- €40.000 Research grant for the project titled: The impact of corporate governance, ownership structure, and economic and financial liberalization on the financial and operating performance of newly privatized firms in selected MENA countries, with Samy Ben Naceur and Samir Ghazouani, the EuroMediterranéen Des Institutes Économiques (FEMIES), Third FEMISE Research Program, 2004.

- \$14.000 Research grant for the project titled: Does Financial Market Liberalization in the MENA Region Spur Economic Development? With Samy Ben Naceur and Samir Ghazouani. the Economic Research Forum, Fourth round ERF competition, 2004.
- Saudi Ryal 12.000 Grant for the paper titled: Ethical Investments and Abnormal Returns: Empirical Evidence from the Dow Jones Islamic Indices Research in Islamic Economics, with Khaled Hussein. Al-Rajhi Banking & Investment Corporation, 2004.
- \$5.000 for the 2nd Place in the Medals for Research on Development, (Medal Category: Market Reform and the New Role of the State) for the paper titled: "The Performance of State-Owned Enterprises and Newly Privatized Firms: Does Privatization Really Matter?", the Global Development Network (GDN), 2004.
- L.E. 5.000 for the Best annual research in Economics for the 2001, awarded by the Government of Egypt, Ministry of Science and Technology, Academy of Science and Technology, and paid by Misr Insurance Company, 2002.
- \$2000 for the second-best paper (Call for Paper on Capital Market & Stock Exchange Development Competition) for the paper titled: "Stochastic Trends and Stock Prices in Emerging Markets: The Case of Middle East and North Africa Region", with Lokman Gunduz. Istanbul Stock Exchange, (2001).

### **Reviewer for:**

- Journal of Comparative Economics.
- International Review of Financial Analysis.
- Applied Economic Quarterly.
- World Development.
- Journal of Emerging Market Finance.
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