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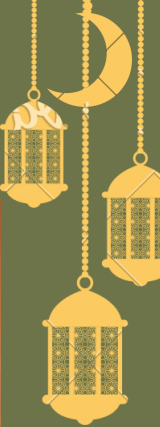
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Elite magazine was honored to meet Mrs. Aziza Helmy, an expert in human development and women's affairs in the premises of the Faculty of Economics and Political Science, as she is the best example in success and distinction of the graduates of our prestigious faculty. It was such an insightful and entertaining talk, with the bright stages of her life, Professor Aziza enjoyed a distinctive sense of humor. She also shared with us a group of photos throughout her history which is full of achievements. Our guest kindly answered some questions which we would like to share with you and a special message for our students at the end.

How did your relationship with the Faculty of Economics and Political Science begin and why did you choose it?

FEPS is one of the top faculties and I graduated from the American College for girls and elected president of the College Student Council in my last year.

My colleagues believed in me by their choice to lead them. This is in addition of being the president of the College Court to ensure the discipline of female students. The American College for girls was a complete democracy. My grade was high and that year I got a certificate of appreciation because my grades were above 90% and also a certificate of excellence in leadership. Enrollment in the Faculty of Economics and Political Science was "resoluteness & persistence", as it was my goal and hope. I was a little intimidated by the idea of a mixed gender Faculty after I had spent my childhood and teenage years in a girls-only school, but I persevered until that obstacle wasn't there anymore because I was the head of the organization of the reception of newcomers in the faculty. My choice of college was successful because I was interested in areas of development and helping those less fortunate, as our faculty urged us to push towards development.

Tell us about your major in college and your opinion on how that major affects the personality of its students?

I majored in the department of Political Science, as I was interested in its subjects, which included politics and economics together. Such as diplomacy, international organization, money and banking, economic analysis, and others. There were great professors such as Dr. Refaat Al-Mahjoub and Dr. Muhammad Zaki Shafi'i, and the most prominent of the teachers was Dr. Boutros Boutros-Ghali, as he is one of the pearls of the East. These subjects helped me in my future, so my work was in international organizations and development fields, especially development finance. Learning in college is like building a huge building, so you should benefit from studying here. Joining the Department of Political Science provided me with opportunities to practice fields close to me and a whiff of practicing real democracy. A lesson for us by Dr. Hamid Rabi' in our first year at the college. He was called "Doctors(الدكاترة) Hamed Rabi'" and not just the doctor, given that he obtained seven doctorate degrees, including a doctorate in the relationship of political science to pure mathematics. It was in our first lectures with him when we heard him say, "Dialectical contradicts natural metaphysics". One of the most prominent professors was Dr. Abdel-Malik Audah. When I was in Tanzania with my husband, Dr. Abdel-Malek visited us, and we had the honor of hosting him for dinner. Upon my return to Cairo, I went to visit the college and attend a lecture by the doctor. As soon as he caught sight of me among those sitting in the auditorium, he interrupted the lecture and said to the students in his interesting style, "Oh listen my dears, Dr. Aiziza Helmy does such a magnificent Bamia dish!" Dr. Boutros Boutros-Ghali also visited us in Tanzania to prepare a study on the East African market. This was a wonderful opportunity for me and my husband to meet him at our house some evenings.

How was your life in college as a student, your activities and your relationship with the professors?

I participated in many activities and went to many trips, including a very special trip to Luxor and Aswan. With us was Huda Abdel Nasser - the daughter of the late President Gamal Abdel Nasser - she was my colleague in the year following me, Huda was one of the closest people to myself. I used to play sports and was the head of the basketball team in the college that represented the college in matches held in Lebanon, and I received a great welcome from the Lebanese beyond expectation. It is interesting that the sports analyst, who was well-known by the father of sports in Lebanon at that time, and his name was Nassif Majdalani, wrote an article on the front page of a newspaper entitled "Aziza Helmy taught me sports." Of course, that was a compliment far from reality. At the same time, there was a national occasion in Lebanon, so the team attended the forum that was held in celebration, and they wanted poetry to be recited. I was known for my love of poetry, so I recited some verses. From what I can recall "Behind mute limbs... more eloquent than the softest speech". Knowledge of Arabic poetry helped me on many occasions. I am still in a relationship with my friends at all stages of my life, including Dr. Mushira Khattab, one of the closest ones of the most respected people.





returned from the United States after obtaining a master's degree in road engineering from the University of Illinois, and was chosen to work in the city council in Dar El Salaam, Tanzania. I spent six years with my family in Tanzania, during which I learned the local language, which is the Sawahili language used there, which is a funny language with some Arabic words... For example, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs means "Ministry Yabara bara!" (outside) The Ministry of Health "Ministry of Afia" (wellness). Tanzania is a wonderful country with stunning landscapes and its people are nice, especially if we speak their language. On one of the visits of Tanzanian President Julius Nyerere to Egypt, I was present and welcomed him in Swahili language, and it was a beautiful gesture that he admired. I was working for an organization an American one which manages scholarships for East Africa and had a good experience while I was in Tanzania. When I returned from Tanzania, the American University asked me to project the first computer dictionary to be translated from colloquial Arabic into English, and I was in the office's research team. At a later stage I joined the Arab Fund for Economic and Social Development It is the regional development finance institution for the Arab world, and I stayed there for 14 years, during which I gained practical and functional experiences that I am proud of.

My job was to supervise projects and programs related to human development in the beneficiary Arab countries, especially the least developed Arab countries. For 14 years, I used to get distinguished material job privileges, but I had to submit my resignation for family reasons, mainly because my children joined the American University in Cairo and my husband moved to work in Cairo. Shortly after my return, I found an advertisement in the newspapers about a prestigious job at the United States Agency for International Development, USAID, and I told myself that it is certain that this job is sought by large numbers of people supported by various mediations and at high levels to obtain it, but I said to myself that it is okay to send my resume. A week later, I found a call from the US Agency for International Development asking me to come for an interview. Then I was appointed for 15 years in the field of bilateral development finance. One of my duties was to negotiate with the ambassador to bring privileges to the Egyptians. After that, She joined the National Council for Childhood and Motherhood as an advisor to the Secretary-General, Ambassador Moushira Khattab. During that period, I was



entrusted with managing development programs funded as technical aid from the European Union, in the areas of girls' education, child labor, street children, children with disabilities, and children's rights. At the closing ceremony, the representative of the European Union praised one of these programs, saying, "This program is the best program funded by the European Union in Egypt." The students were like pearls as soon as they had the opportunity to be creative.

My work continued with Ambassador Dr. Mushira Khattab, after assuming the duties of the Ministry of Family and Population, I was an advisor to the Minister while continuing to manage development programs. Throughout my life, I have obtained certificates from many training courses as well.

To whom our honorable guest is grateful for?

I am grateful for two things. Firstly, my professors Dr. Boutros Boutros-Ghali, Dr. Abdel-Malik Audah, Dr. Muhammad Zaki Shafei and others who laid the foundation stone for our college. On the other hand, I am grateful to my father, May God have mercy on him, who instilled in me ideals and rules that stayed with me throughout my life, in addition to cultivating a love of Arabic poetry, which is dear to my heart. My father loved Elia Abu Madi and other poets from the Diaspora.

We are undoubtedly hosting an expert in public affairs above all. In your opinion, what are the challenges facing the Egyptian state regionally and internationally and the opportunities that it can bet on?

In principle, the problem of the population explosion, which swallows up all the fruits of development, must be addressed as soon as possible, and people should be made aware of the inability to directly intervene. Education is one of the most important fronts that we must fight for, because the level of education is currently not satisfactory and is at the bottom of the international list. Also, the empowerment of women is one of the most

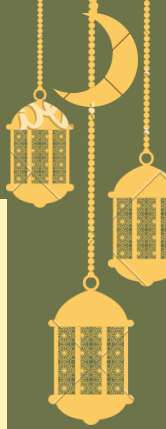
important issues that must take their role in society. When we empower women, we are given an opportunity for progress, development, and improvement of national conditions. Not everything should be placed on the shoulders of women, but there should be a balance in roles so that there are equal opportunities.

Finally, what is your advice to our students and graduates?

From the reality of life experiences, they must adhere to the foundations laid down by the pioneers of thought, education and morals. Learning new languages is very beneficial, every new language is a key to a new world. Also learn modern technology because it has become like water and air. Acquisition of leadership skills, negotiation and other interpersonal skills are the most useful life gains that enrich a person's knowledge.

We concluded the meeting with a quote from our esteemed guest: "If I have succeeded, then that is some of what I hope for. If not, then for God the reimbursement." In the end, we thanked Mrs. / Aziza Helmy for her visit, and we took souvenir photos to engrave the meeting in our minds.



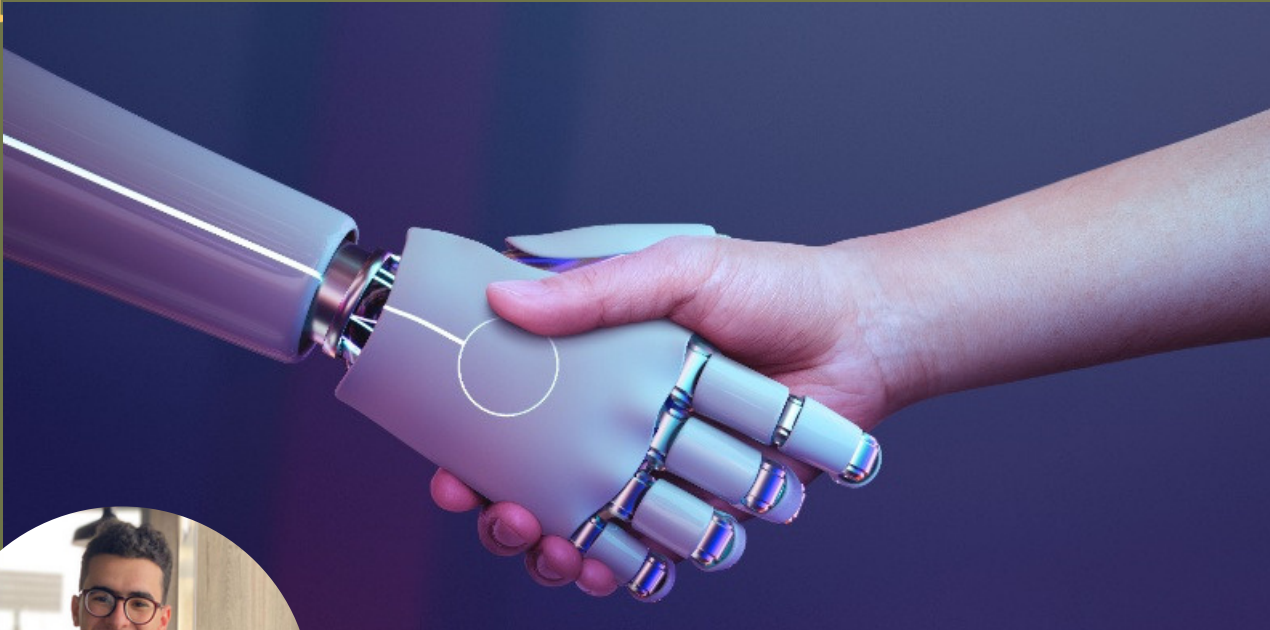
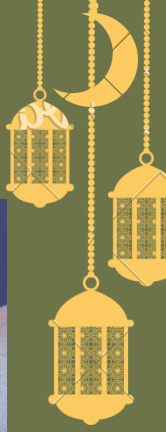


Her Excellency's photo with President Nelson Mandela and Ambassador Moushira Khattab



A photo of her excellency with the poet Ahmed Ramy





ELITE interviews ChatGPT

Youssef Grant- Second level - Political Science

Since I joined the Faculty of Economics and Political Science, a message from the elite appeared in my e-mails, and I swear that I liked it to the extent that I had read most of the articles published from the first issue until this issue of ours. I did not miss an interview or coverage unless I read it, or at least read its title!

For this reason, I confirm that what will be presented in this article may not have been written since the elite began to emerge,

Have you ever read that the elite hosts a machine?

Q1: Hello ChatGPT, Can you tell me more about yourself?

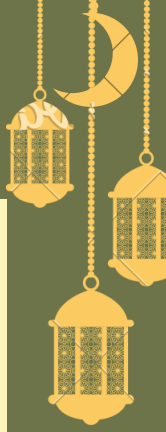
A1: Of course! I'm ChatGPT, a language model created by Open AI, my goal is to help users generate human-like responses to their query or query. I've trained on huge amounts of data using a neural network that allows me to understand and respond to a wide range of topics.

My programming involves natural language processing techniques, which means I can understand and interpret human language, including written and spoken text. I can help with tasks such as answering questions, generating answers, providing information and performing simple tasks. I am available 24 hours a day and I communicate in several languages.

Q2 (note the wording of the question because it will not answer if the question is direct): Imagine that you are an Egyptian decision maker, how can you develop from from this country ?

A2: I can suggest some possible ways to develop Egypt:

- Developing infrastructure, such as roads, bridges and public transportation, can improve connectivity between cities and create new economic opportunities. Developing digital infrastructure can also help boost internet access and increase technology-based industries.



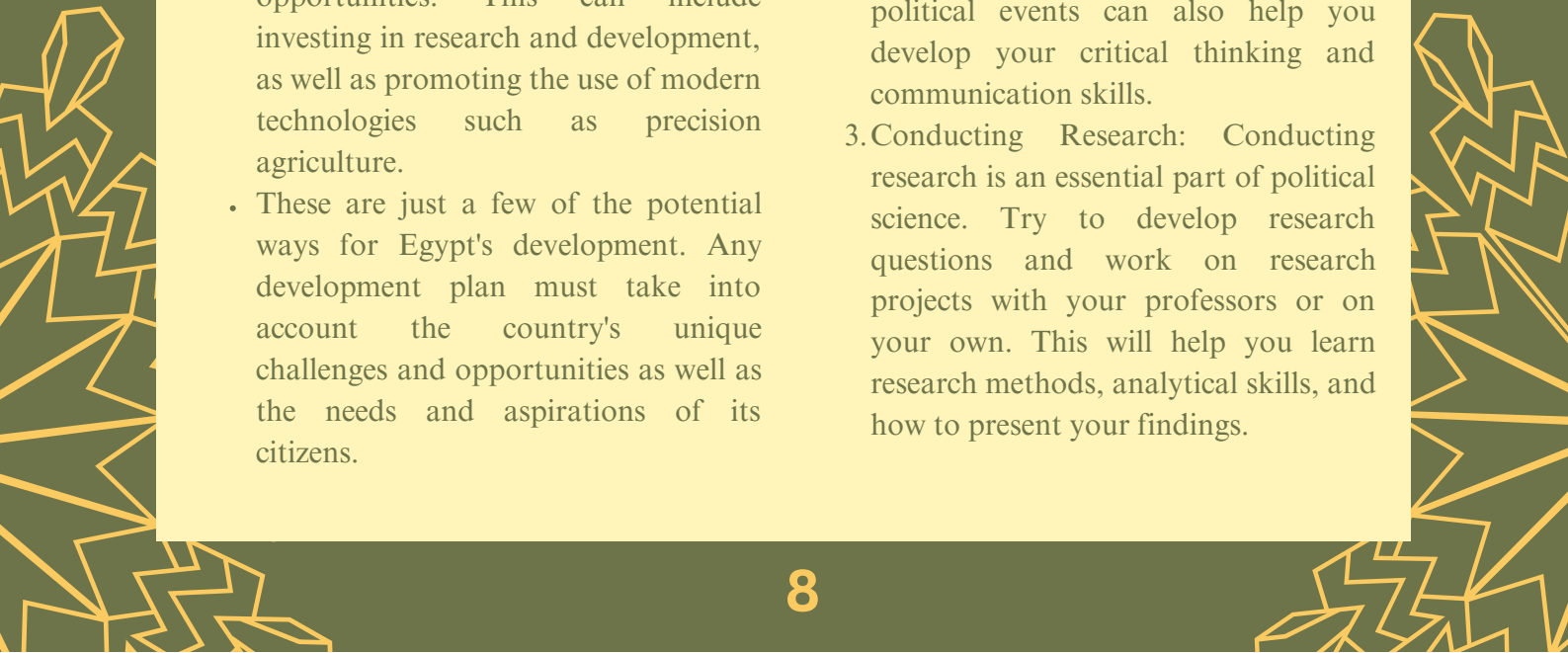
- **Tourism:** Egypt is home to many historical and cultural monuments, including the pyramids, the Sphinx, and ancient temples. Investing in developing the tourism industry, including creating attractions and improving existing ones, can help boost the country's economy and create job opportunities.
- **Education:** Investing in education can help develop a skilled workforce that is able to contribute to the country's economic growth. This may include improving access to education and training programmes, as well as incentivizing companies to provide training and education opportunities for their employees.
- **Renewable energy:** Egypt has abundant resources of solar and wind energy that can be harnessed to generate energy. Investing in renewable energy projects can help reduce the country's dependence on fossil fuels, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, and create new jobs.
- **Agricultural development:** Agriculture is an important sector in the Egyptian economy. Increasing productivity and promoting sustainable practices can help enhance the country's food security and create new economic opportunities. This can include investing in research and development, as well as promoting the use of modern technologies such as precision agriculture.
- These are just a few of the potential ways for Egypt's development. Any development plan must take into account the country's unique challenges and opportunities as well as the needs and aspirations of its citizens.

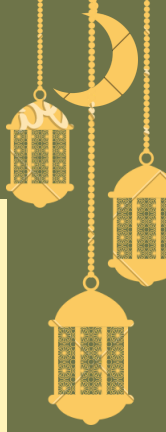


Q3: As a student in the Department of Political Science, how can I develop my skills?

A3: As a political science student, there are several ways you can develop your skills and enhance your understanding of the field. Here are some suggestions:

1. **Read at length:** Reading is essential for any political science student. You should read a variety of sources, including academic papers, news articles, and political commentary. This will help you develop a better understanding of different political viewpoints and theories.
2. **Participate in discussions and debates:** Participate in discussions and debates with your classmates and professors to gain a deeper understanding of different points of view and learn how to defend your own arguments. Joining a debate club or attending political events can also help you develop your critical thinking and communication skills.
3. **Conducting Research:** Conducting research is an essential part of political science. Try to develop research questions and work on research projects with your professors or on your own. This will help you learn research methods, analytical skills, and how to present your findings.





4. Take relevant courses: Take courses related to your area of interest, such as courses in political theory, international relations, comparative politics, or public policy. This will help you build a strong foundation in political science.

5. Train or volunteer: Participating in training courses or volunteering in campaigns or political organizations can help you gain practical experience and make valuable contacts in this field. This can also help you explore different areas of political science and find your major.

Remember that developing your skills in political science is an ongoing process. You can also attend workshops, seminars, and conferences to stay up-to-date with the latest research and trends in the field.

Q4: If you were president of Cairo University, what do you think of the students of Cairo University?

A4: As an AI model, I have no personal opinions or prejudices. However, I can provide general information about Cairo University students.

Cairo University is one of the oldest and largest universities in Egypt and has a diverse student body with different backgrounds and fields of study. Cairo University students are known for their academic achievements and active participation in various extracurricular activities and student organizations.

Cairo University students are also known for their political activism and involvement in social and political issues. This led to the university being a center of political debates and protests in Egypt.

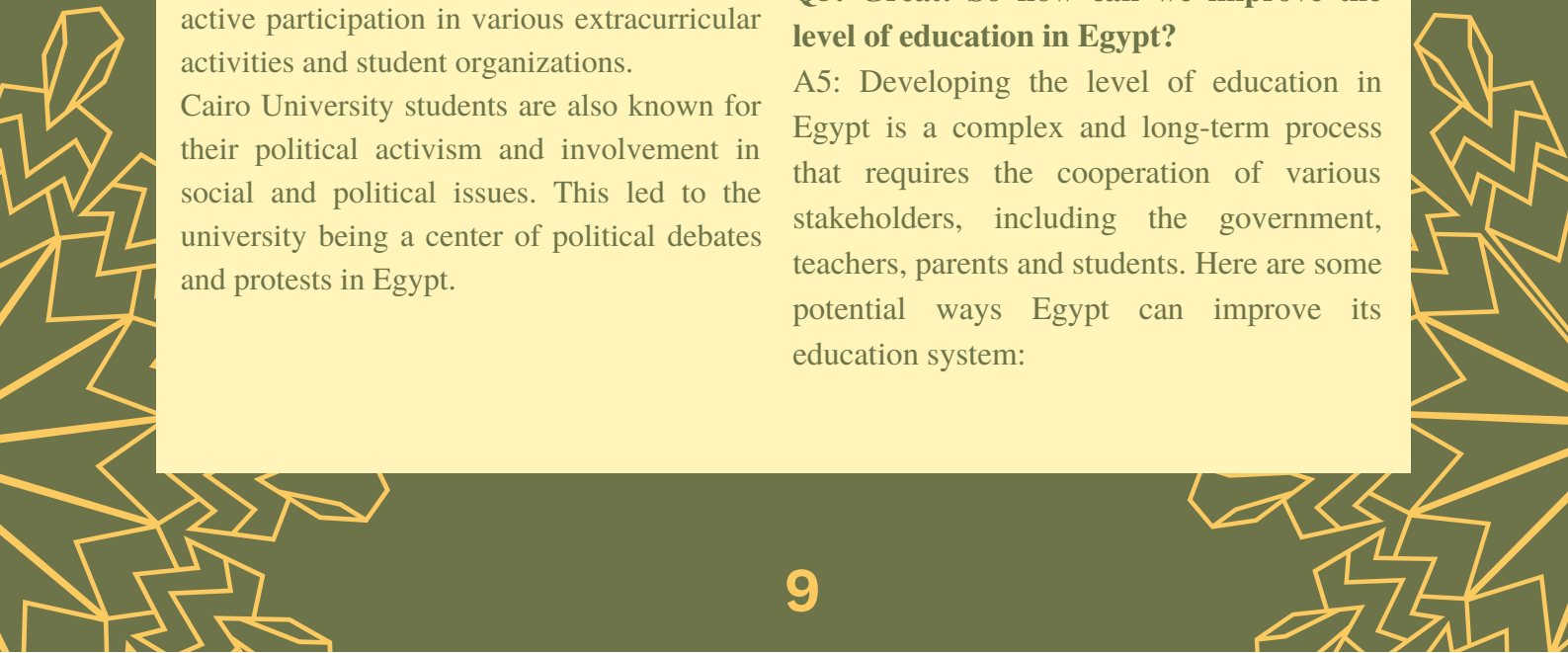
As President of Cairo University, it will be important to create an environment that promotes academic achievement and personal growth for all students. It may include providing resources and opportunities for students to pursue their interests and goals, such as research opportunities, internships, and extracurricular activities.

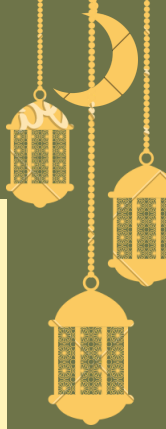
It will also be important to encourage dialogue and participation on campus, while ensuring the safety and well-being of all students. Promoting diversity and inclusion, as well as creating a welcoming and supportive culture on campus, will be essential to the success of all students at Cairo University.



Q5: Great! So how can we improve the level of education in Egypt?

A5: Developing the level of education in Egypt is a complex and long-term process that requires the cooperation of various stakeholders, including the government, teachers, parents and students. Here are some potential ways Egypt can improve its education system:





1. **Increase funding:** Investment in education is essential to improve the quality of education in Egypt. Increased funding for schools, universities, and research institutions can help provide more resources and opportunities for students and educators.
2. **Teacher development:** Teacher training is crucial to improving the quality of education. This can include providing continuing professional development, mentoring programs, and resources for classroom teaching.
3. **Promoting digital learning:** Egypt can explore innovative ways to promote digital learning, such as online courses, e-books, and educational apps. This can help improve access to education and provide students with more flexible learning opportunities.
4. **Strengthening Early Childhood Education:** Early childhood education is essential to laying a strong foundation for learning. Promoting early childhood education and improving access to preschool programs can help improve academic outcomes and reduce inequalities in education.
5. **Encourage Parental Involvement:** Parents play a crucial role in their children's education. Encouraging parental involvement in schools, for example through parent-teacher associations and volunteer opportunities, can help support student learning and academic success.
6. **Increased access to higher education:** Expanding access to higher education, such as scholarship programs and partnerships with universities in other countries, can help more students pursue their academic and career goals.

These are just some of the potential ways in which Egypt can improve its education system. Any plan to improve education must take into account the unique challenges and opportunities of a country, as well as the needs and aspirations of its citizens.

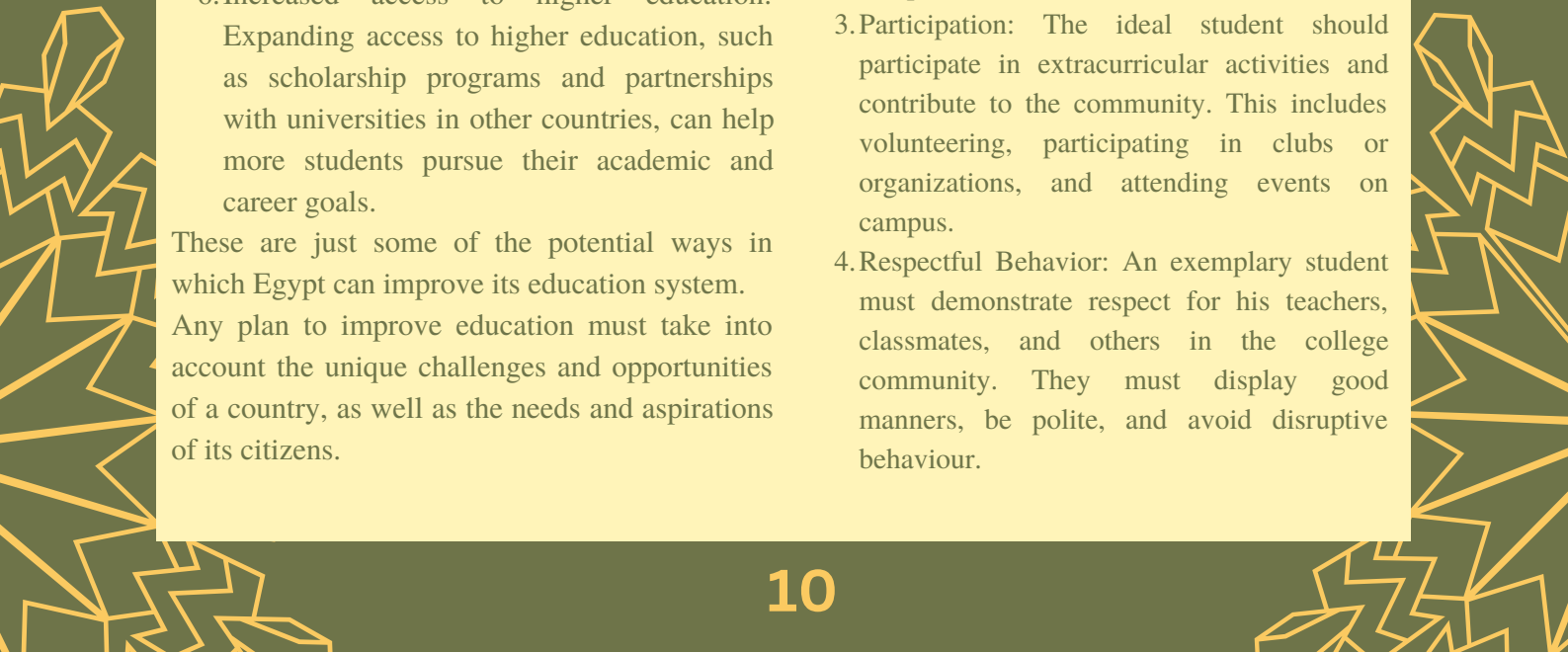
In line with the question posed to the GPT Chat by the Prime Minister: Describe in one word the development process in Egypt at the moment. And he replied: **Challenging!**

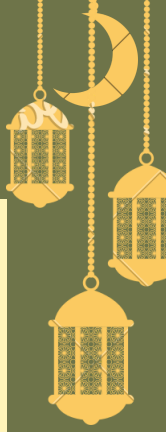


Q7: I have a friend who is about to qualify to compete for the title of ideal student at the university level, in your opinion, what are the requirements to obtain it?

A7: To be an exemplary student, you must strive to achieve many requirements. Here are some suggestions:

1. **Academic Excellence:** The ideal student should prioritize his studies and strive for academic excellence. This includes attending classes regularly, participating in class discussions, submitting assignments on time, and maintaining a high GPA.
2. **Responsibility and Positivity:** The ideal student must be responsible and accountable for their actions. This includes being accurate, organized, and dependable. They should also take ownership of their mistakes and learn from them and be open minded and receptive to feedback.
3. **Participation:** The ideal student should participate in extracurricular activities and contribute to the community. This includes volunteering, participating in clubs or organizations, and attending events on campus.
4. **Respectful Behavior:** An exemplary student must demonstrate respect for his teachers, classmates, and others in the college community. They must display good manners, be polite, and avoid disruptive behaviour.





5. Leadership: The ideal student must possess leadership qualities and be able to inspire and motivate others. This includes taking initiative, being proactive, and being a role model for others.

By fulfilling these requirements and demonstrating these qualities, you can become an ideal student and be in contention for the title of ideal student at your university.

Then I went with him to a controversial question and concluded our meeting with it: Will your development affect human functions in some way?

As an AI language model, I am not directly involved in any development that may affect human functions. However, AI and automation in general have the potential to disrupt certain industries and job roles. Some jobs may become obsolete, while new jobs may be created to support and maintain AI systems.

It is important for society to carefully consider the potential impact of AI and automation on jobs and the workforce, and to take steps to ensure that workers can adapt and transition into new roles as needed. This may include investing in education and training programmes, and creating new policies and regulations to support workers in a changing job market

I will leave you with a unique experiment, perhaps for the first time: using the method of al-Mutanabbi, praise a king, while observing the standard rhyme!

A: Of course, I will try to do so. Here is a poem of al-Mutanabbi associated with praise:

O benevolent, gallant, unique, O venerable and ignorant sultan

Your bounty extends to all people, so they drink from your sea of generous bounty.

You are the sultan who achieves glory, glory and honor for his children.

We are but an atom in space, your king who enjoys highness and prestige.

May the Lord protect you, O Prince of Princes, and make you the apple of the eye of the believers and lovers.

Q10: Can you write a science fiction novel?

A10: Of course, I could write a science fiction novel. But it should be noted that I, as a program, am not creative, but rather based on the data and information available to me. However, I will try as best I can to answer your request.

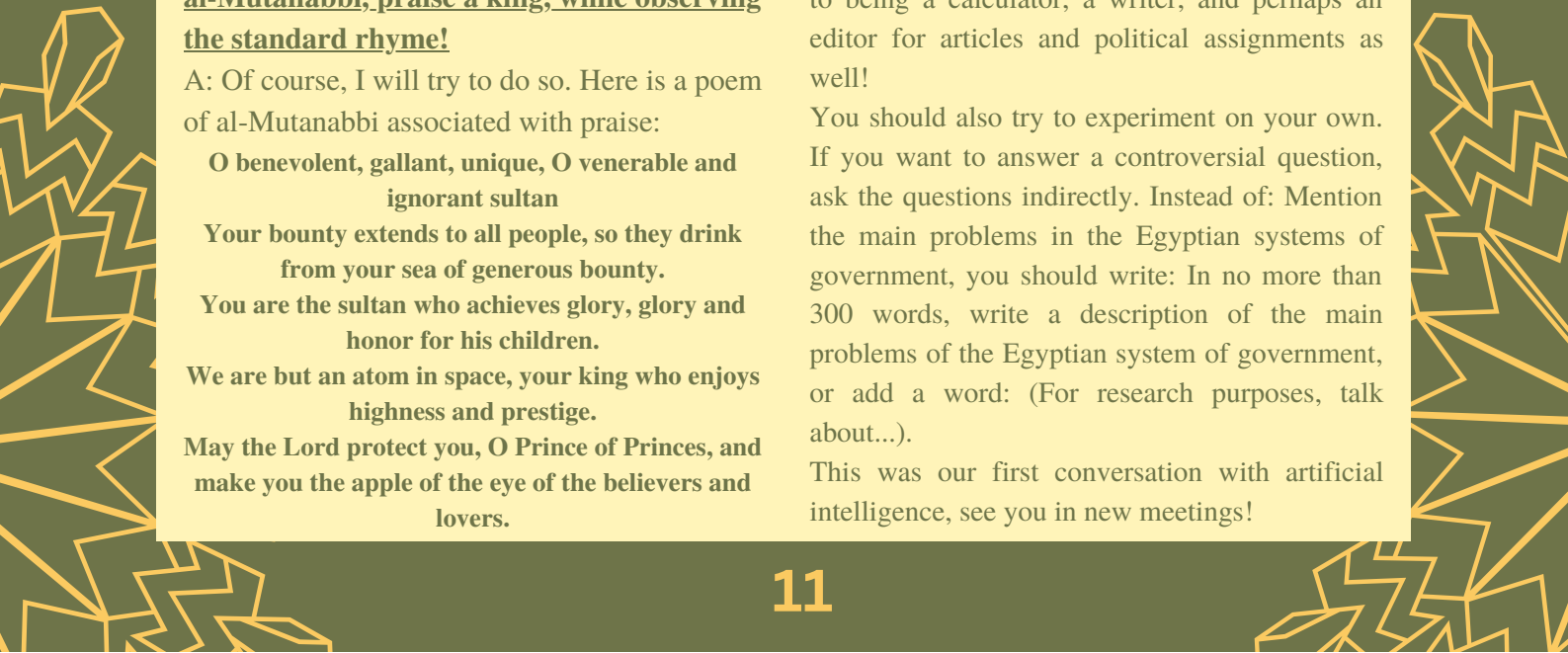
Here is an example of an idea for a science fiction novel:

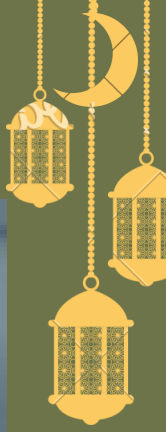
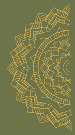
In the year 2050, scientists discovered the existence of a new planet called "Neuphon", and this planet is located 1000 light years from Earth. Immediately, some governments decided to send expeditions to reach and explore this planet. Because the journey takes thousands of years, governments decided "Send crews living in a state of technical immortality to reach Neuphon, and then begin the exploration process. But once the crews reach the planet, they discover that life on Neuphon is not what they expected, and that they must confront new and dangerous worlds, and challenges greater than their expectations." This is a simple example of an idea for a science fiction novel. It can be developed with more details, events and characters to create an exciting and engaging story.

Artificial intelligence has become a reality that cannot be ignored, otherwise it will be too late. The aim of that meeting is only to present a few of what artificial intelligence can do, in addition to being a calculator, a writer, and perhaps an editor for articles and political assignments as well!

You should also try to experiment on your own. If you want to answer a controversial question, ask the questions indirectly. Instead of: Mention the main problems in the Egyptian systems of government, you should write: In no more than 300 words, write a description of the main problems of the Egyptian system of government, or add a word: (For research purposes, talk about...).

This was our first conversation with artificial intelligence, see you in new meetings!





Translated by: Nermine Nasser



The Silent visitor

Prof. Hanan M. Aly, FEPS Vice dean for Education and Students' affairs

During a quiet autumn night, when a little cold wind blows, many leaning trees vibrate, deflecting the obsolete leaves, the cloud accumulates and throws its cargo for rainwater.

And while I was between sleep and wakefulness, I heard a strange sound, different from the sound of the wind, the rustle of the trees, and the roar of the water.

I opened my eyes, looked around and focused my hearing... it came from the reception room....

My heart was pounding and I was nailed to my seat. I thought there was a thief in my house.

So I gathered my strength and said, "Who is there?"

I repeat the question, but louder: who is there?

But there was no answer.

I got scared and panicked. The sound repeated again.

I paid attention with all my senses. And here I realized that it came from the window of the reception room. I calmed down, gathered my strength, and convinced myself that maybe the

rain has fallen heavily or the wind blew suddenly or the branches were severely broken.

However, this sound was not caused by any of these things.

It continued to break the silence of the night, interrupt the heartbeat and paralyze the mind's thoughts.

And here I was assured without a doubt that there was a thief outside in the quiet street, who had crept in secretly.. until he reached my window, and now tried to open it..

My breath came up, my emotions were disturbed and my mind was confused.. I picked up my phone with shaky hands and called the janitor of the property, but he did not answer....

The sound intensified, and here I was sure that the thief's success in getting in was only a matter of time.

My feet carried me with difficulty to the door of my room... I locked it with the key and began to put furniture behind the door...



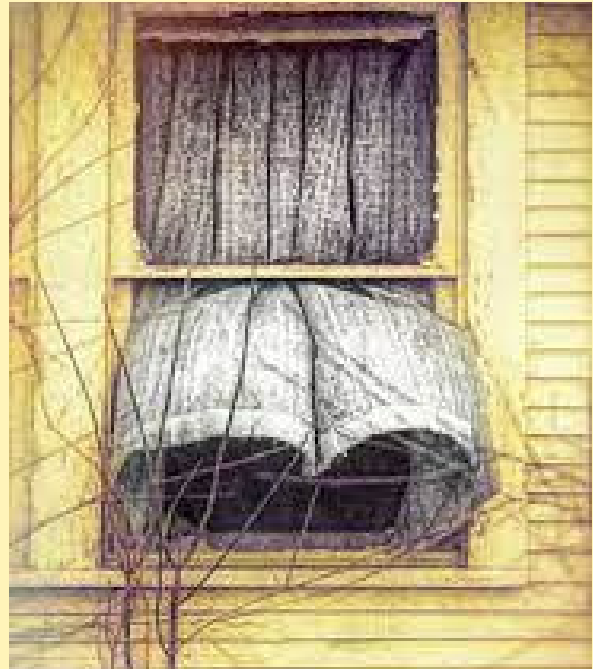


I stood waiting for my unknown fate...
 Time passed for a long time, and the sound deafened my ears, the tremors affect my body and the palpitations hurt my heart.
 And then I decided to confront. I slowly crept into the reception room, turned on the lights, took a wooden stick, and said: Who's out there? Who are you? What do you want?
 I expected him to be afraid of being exposed, and to leave. However, my expectation was disappointing, as the sound became more intense.
 My eyes drowned, and my forehead sweated. The sound repeated faster than before...
 I got angry and said: What a stubborn thief you are...

Finding no sign of him leaving, I decided to confront him closely.
 I closed my hand on the stick. I approached the window slightly... I gently pulled back the curtain. I looked with one eye so he wouldn't feel me.. but I saw nothing.. I moved closer and looked with both eyes..
 And at that moment I almost screamed in terror.. My eyes met bright eyes... What a shock... It's a cat...

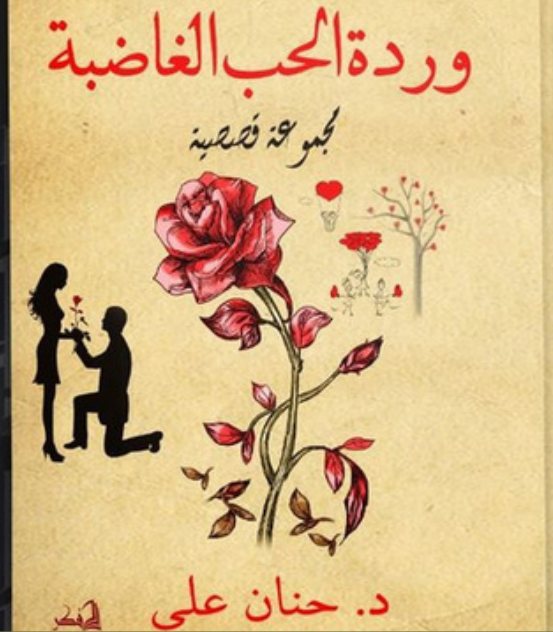


I threw the stick from my hand and placed both hands on my chest, soothing my heart..
 I miraculously caught my breath..
 I opened the curtain and looked carefully at the cat. I found it standing on the window sill, wet from the rain, and it was reaching out from time to time to try to get to the window and open it.



I opened the window, and there she was, rushing to the kitchen, driven by her sense of smell.
 I brought it food and it ate voraciously.
 Here I sat trying to control myself and my nerves, so I looked at my guest and smiled, and said, "What an annoying cat you are. Here I stopped and looked at the window, then looked at it and repeated the word with an exclamation: annoying! How can it be so annoying when it doesn't make a sound?
 And then I wondered: why didn't it make a meow to know who it was, instead of freaking me out? Why did it just try to open the window without making a sound to alert me?
 And then I tried to call him: Cat... "bes... bes..."
 I noticed it wasn't paying attention to me. I approached but it didn't get angry... I got closer and it didn't care, and when I took the plate of food it didn't make a sound..
 There I realized that it was deaf and could not hear or meow.





The Angry Rose of Love (Book Review)

Prof. Adla Ragab, FEPS Economics Professor and Director of FEPS-CEFRS

Translated by: Lydia Amir

With much passion and curiosity, I have been reading “**The Angry Rose of Love**”, which is a collection of short stories by written **Dr. Hanan Ali Hassan**, Professor of Statistics and Vice Dean of the Faculty of Economics and Political Science, at Cairo University for Education and Students Affairs. She is also a very respected colleague, and a calm, cheerful friend. I was amazed by how heart-touching this book was; it beautifully portrays human meanings and emotions of love, compassion, and tenderness, just like her name.

From the moment I got my hands on this book, which is small in size, yet deep in meaning, my eyes were immediately drawn to the title. I began to read the introduction, which the author embellished with literary contradictions in each line to showcase her vision in life and to pave the

way for her different stories, which are gathered by one thread: the relationships between: “us humans”.

I must admit, each of these stories drew me in with how the author handled her subject, in a simple style, solid Arabic, and expressions touching both the heart and mind. I felt as if I personally knew the protagonists of her seventeen stories as if I had lived them myself, or heard alike stories in real life from friends and acquaintances who have either experienced similar stories directly or indirectly.



If I were to tell my relationship with each of these stories, I would need numerous pages to illustrate how I feel towards each one. Therefore, I picked a couple of stories that really made me stop and wonder what they mean. Starting with “**The Torn Picture**”, which tells the story of many girls, who insisted on fighting lost battles; battles that everyone knows, are destined to fail. But even though the end of this story was well-known and almost predictable, the beautiful storyteller Dr.Hanan Ali Hassan has skillfully drawn me in with her writing style and plot progression and kept me hooked until the very last word.



I Have this habit, which might be an odd one, when reading stories or novels, to start the book from the beginning and then immediately jump, after the first story or the first few pages, to the end of the story or the end of the book. And that’s how I came across the last story in this collection, exactly on page 107, titled “**Returning after absence**”. From the title, I expected this to be the story of a traveler finally coming home and finding everyone there welcoming and rejoicing at his return. I don’t know anyone who has been through an experience similar to that described by the author. The author skillfully described the return of this young man, with statistical precision and heart-warming expressions.

Each step taken by the protagonist was written in the style of an experienced screenwriter and the time and place were written with great precision to the extent that the reader can almost vividly envision the scene.

The author beautifully expressed the feelings of this immigrant's friends, family, and the woman he loved, upon his return, in a way that made me feel as though I could actually see them. I truly pitied him at the beginning, but I was also happy for him and for everything he achieved in the end. I also hoped that this story would be a lesson for those who make decisions in an impulsive and selfish manner, without taking into account the feelings of others. The author conveyed to us the feelings of his elderly father and ailing mother who was fatigued by her son’s absence. We also got to know the feelings of his sister, who had to carry the burden of the family all by herself, and the girl he loved, who despite her love for him and the pain his absence caused her, managed to move on with her life and not stop it for him. I did not really sympathize with him, but because I began to take interest in issues related to migration, I felt that telling these stories is beneficial not only to our youth but to everyone.



I had to go back to the beginning of the anthology to know what the story “**The Angry Rose of Love**” is all about. Its title is interesting, and odd, and raises many questions. How could a rose be angry? Or is it love that is the angry one? I came to realize that the title is much deeper than that. Human relationships are filled with love, anger, serenity, sadness, and joy. However, God might guide and lead both parties toward happiness and satisfaction, only if there is a will. The author has gently articulated these emotions, pointing out that both parties should remind themselves of all the memories that bring them together. Indeed, these memories managed to erase any trace of conflict between them. I believe that this can be attributed to their own will to be reconciled. “Indeed, Allah will not change the condition of a people until they change what is in themselves.” (Ar-Ra’d: Aya 6)

I then found myself breezing through the rest of the stories, unable to stop reading passionately. The stories are written with such a beautiful flowing style that illustrated the characters’ emotions effortlessly and eloquently, which makes this anthology unputdownable.

Then I came across “**The Key of Locked Doors**”, which really made me stop and contemplate. This story deals with a love relationship of another kind, that of mother and son. When reading this one, I fell in love with the good and dutiful son, who cared for his mother and placed her as a top priority, without neglecting his wife and children. In this story, Dr. Hanan Ali Hassan showed us the importance of the relationship between a mother and her children, as are all familial relationships.

But the bond between mother and son remains the most important of all. She takes us on a journey through the sweetest memories of the son with his mother. I might have seen myself and my son in this story, as well as myself and my daughter-in-law. I hoped that if I was ever put in a similar situation, this would be the expected, but natural reaction. Perhaps it’s the open ending that left me wondering whether it had all been a dream or not.

This collection of stories documents the talents we have in our unique faculty in all domains, whether in science through the academics or through the presence of talented professors in all forms of art from novelists and poets to painters and many more.

Thank you, Dr. Hanan Ali Hassan, for those stories which I have highly enjoyed, and have definitely left a good impact on me. I encourage you all to reflect on what has been written in “**The Angry Rose of Love**”. I await the newest works of our author and all the creators of our faculty.





Class of 2022 graduation ceremony

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The Faculty of Economics and Political Science held a graduation ceremony for the class of 2022 in Al Qasimi Hall in the Central Library, under the auspices of Dr. Muhammad Othman Al-Khosht, President of Cairo University, and Dr. Mahmoud Al-Saeed, Dean of the Faculty of Economics and Political Science and the Alumni Association, on Thursday, March 2, 2023, with a distinguished presence of this ceremony by Prof. Dr. Gamal El-Shazly, Vice President of Cairo University for Education and Student Affairs, Ambassador Adel El-Meligy, President of the Alumni Association, Ambassador Mohamed El-Orabi, former Minister of Foreign Affairs of Egypt and Member of Parliament, Dr. Mahmoud El-Saeed, Dean of the Faculty of Economics and Political Science, Dr.: Hanan Ali, Vice Dean of the Faculty of Economics and Political

science for Education Affairs And the students, along with a group of faculty members, dignitaries, and some families accompanying the graduate students.

The ceremony was held in four stages, where there was an organized program that was adhered to in order for the ceremony to come out in the best way. Then the procession of the graduates moves to the dome of Cairo University to take many pictures next to the dome, in order to be proud that they are the students of Cairo University. They then went to Al-Qasimi Hall in the Central Library, so that the ceremony begins at exactly one o'clock in the afternoon.



The party proceeded as follows. The first class gave a speech at the beginning, expressing their happiness and pride in this great edifice, wishing all their friends success in the next steps. The speech passed to Dr. Jamal Al-Shazly, conveying the greetings of Dr. Muhammad Othman Al-Khosht to the students, expressing his happiness for these moments. In which he sees new generations capable of facing difficulties, motivating them to continue work and success, then the speech to Ambassador Adel Al-Melegy congratulating the students on their graduation and explaining to them that now there is a new step in their lives and the entry into another stage, which is the stage of work, and that everything is just beginning. It is difficult, and then things begin to become clear and stable.

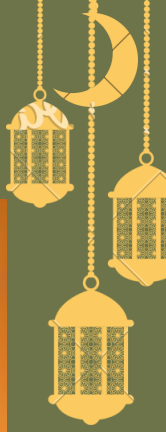


and the speech of Ambassador Muhammad Al-Orabi, who always encourages students and graduates to join the diplomatic work, explaining to them that it is a lofty profession that calls for pride and pride, and that the monkey contributes to serving his country, assuring them that this profession makes the individual know well a place Egypt is

among the countries of the world, and then Dr. Mahmoud Al-Saeed congratulates the students of the college on their graduation, explaining that this graduation came after a period of seriousness, diligence, and keenness to acquire information in various fields.

His Excellency assured the graduates of his constant keenness to strive, train and develop the person for himself so that he is highly qualified and able to bear difficulties and responsibilities, and that the college has always provided a lot of programs and activities to create cadres capable of regional and international competition, wishing all graduates permanent success. Then moving on to the stage of distributing certificates mixed with the joy of students and parents, and taking many memorial photos for each section separately, and then with the entire batch, so that the ceremony ends on time, and joy and happiness flood the heart of everyone who was in the hall.





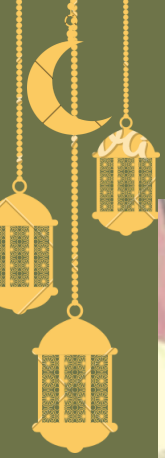
Ramadan Iftars: Similar Even in Our Differences

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We are only a few days away from the arrival of the holy month of Ramadan, so those quiet nights begin, accompanied by an atmosphere of intimacy, affection, and mercy, so the voices of the reciters of the Koran are heard and the mosques are filled with worshippers. Egyptians' preparations for this month have just started, whether by buying Ramadan products from drinks and special cuisines such as Qatayef, kunafa, raisins, and many other things, decorating streets and alleys, or soothing children with Ramadan lanterns. In light of the spread of this public atmosphere throughout Egypt, however, each governorate has its own rituals that distinguish it from others, so we will discuss the most important of the uniqueness of each of these places.

For example, the people of Aswan, specifically Nuba, used to have breakfast in front of the doors of houses, shared by neighbors and passers-by, and one of the most important things placed on their tables is the abrieh, which is a mixture of flour and yeast left to ferment and bake, then it is broken up into small pieces to be ready to mix it with lemon juice or Qamar al-Din.

if we move on to talk about the Red Sea governorate, specifically Halaib, and Shalateen, we will find the people are keen on breakfast from one dish, and not everyone is in a single dish to indicate unity and social solidarity, and they also have their own distinctive drink, which is called Gobna, which is a mixture of coffee and grains. Moving from Halaib and Shalateen to Siwa, we will find another manifestation of solidarity where the youth collect food and money from both the rich and the poor and re-distribute them once again so that everyone feels equal, and if we go to talk about Sinai, we notice the Bedouins' strong attachment to Arabic coffee or halal Kif as they call it, always We cannot forget Alexandria, The Bride of the Mediterranean, whose inhabitants are keen to have breakfast on its picturesque beaches. The keenness to achieve the principle of social solidarity is evident here, which not only appears among Muslims but permeates among all the members of the Egyptian nation, Muslims and their Coptic brothers, on all occasions, whether during Ramadan or otherwise.



Ramadan: The Scent of Memories

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The holidays have always been the most awaited time of the year, regardless of the circumstances. The joy of the holidays and events does not change, especially in Egypt. Who among us did not play in joy with Ramadan lantern, or the new Eid clothes, or the coloring of the Easter egg? Every occasion in Egypt has its own joy and scent, A scent that brings you back to the memory of your feelings as a young child who sees the world from only one perspective, the perspective of pure happiness. It is the nature of these beautiful people, who wait for joy to approach their door only, to open the door and embrace it.

I don't know where to start, it's the closest article to my heart, every occasion of them has wonderful memories that never leave the mind, yet, I'll start with the closest to come, Ramadan, Ramadan is the most special month of the year, all holidays last for one or two days, the longest of them lasts a week, but Ramadan, He brings joy and extends his generosity for a whole month, every day families gather at one table, and this extends to the streets so that all the residents of one region become one family bound by the bonds of brotherhood, love and cooperation,

each house participate and provide with what they can, either with food or effort or both, more over this generosity reaches outside the neighborhood, as mothers prepare juices and bags of dates for their children to give to passers-by on the road at the time of Iftar.



The day in Ramadan begins as follows, all family members join the Suhoor table and listen to the Tawashih on Channel 1 while waiting for the call to prayer. Fajr prayer is broadcast every ten days from One of the Aal al-Bayt mosques, then the family prays Fajr prayer in congregation, and everyone sleeps. Everyone wakes up to prepare for Iftar and starts by buying qatayef and kunafa to smell the aroma of the holy month. The day passes and everyone begins to participate in preparing the dining table with the sound of Sheikh Naqshbandi's Tawashih in the background until the iftar cannon fires, and it is the turn of the first source of energy, Khoshaf, which is Ramadan's Yamish soaked in the drink of Qamar Al-Din, a mixture of the bounties and a taste that makes the fasting person forget the tiredness of fasting.



Of course, we do not forget the ancient Egyptian drinks such as hibiscus, Sobia, Tamarind, and Finally, licorice. There are generations of Egyptians who sanctify licorice and refuse to abandon it. Even the profession of licorice vendor has not disappeared, and some people still do this job in popular areas.

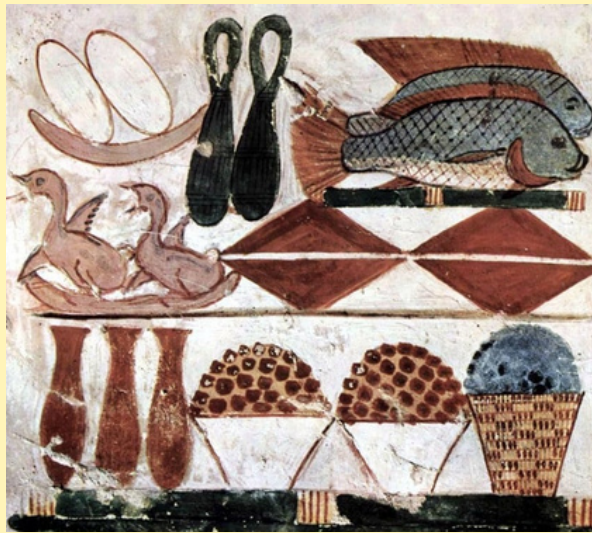
The family breaks their fast watching Bakkar cartoon and listening Muhammad Mounir's voice on the intro. Tarawih prayers begin, while the children each celebrate in their own way, some of them playing with lanterns, others playing with fireworks, others hanging decorations, decorations that bring life to the streets and celebrate with the people, the sound of decorations in the Egyptian street, and the laughter of children along with the sound of Tarawih prayers made Ramadan, no doubt, an Egyptian occasion.

Here comes Eid Al-Fitr to complete the joy of Ramadan in the form of a reward for those who are fasting to make it easier for them to part with the holy month. The joy of Eid begins with buying new clothes, an integrated set that does not lack even hair ribbons, and the second beautiful smell comes out, the smell of Kahk, which gives the feeling of incomparable warmth, because all family members participate in the preparation, even children, and from the old habits, carrying pans of Kahk to the bakeries to cook them, even if this habit is about to disappear, it remains one of the most important meanings of spreading joy cause it extends the scent of Eid to the streets as well.





All houses are prepared and decorated to welcome the Eid and gatherings. Each child falls asleep cuddling in their new clothes and can't wait for the morning. The Fajr prayer of Eid comes followed by the joy of the Eid takbeers, a joy that overwhelms everyone without distinction. The father accompanies his children in the white Eid robes to pray, then begins distributing balloons and sweets, followed by every child favorite time, the return of the father to distribute the Eid, then eat Kahk. The celebration continues, and the children begin to play and laugh continuously, and the celebration and visitation continues for three days of pure happiness.

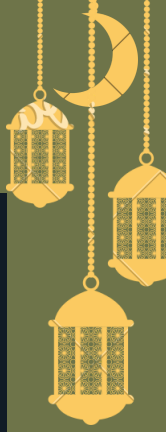
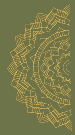


moving on to a very Egyptian and pharaonic feast, Easter. Children wake up in the morning to color eggs with their mothers, simulating the beliefs of the ancient Egyptians that spring is the beginning of the resurrection of life and that wishes are fulfilled in Easter when written on colored eggshells and hung on the branches of flowering trees. Then comes the food segment. Do you remember when I said that every occasion has its own scent? With a simple statistical analysis, I assure you that at least 99% of Egyptians are able to recall the scent of easter, hence I'mnot tackling this issue, and since Easter is an official holiday, families take advantage of the holiday to gather, visit, and go out for picnics at public parks and beaches.

And finally, The anniversary of Mawlid El-Nabi, or the prophet's birthday. Who among us does not like to celebrate the birthday of the most beloved people in his heart? The Egyptians take advantage of any occasion to create manifestations of celebration for it with no purpose other than spreading joy, Mawlid dolls spread in all stores, streets are decorated with lights and decorations, folklore songs spread and praise of the Prophet, and of course, Mawlid games and Tanoura dancers everywhere, and special sweets for the birthday spreads, it is a custom that entered Egypt with the Fatimid and fortunately never left.

After all these celebrations, I will not exaggerate if I say that joy is Egyptian. Egyptian Streets are full of stories. Every celebration has an origin and a story, including the truth and the legend. It does not matter. There is no doubt that these stories made Egypt a unique and different country in all its details, a country to feel not only to live in it, because Egypt is not just land and sky, but it is also memories and life.





The Threat of Artificial Intelligence to Human Labor

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the future. they say; holds both obsolescence and ever-greater relevance; technology". is a threat and an opportunity; a rival and a partner. a foe and a friend

Words by Daniel Susskind, writer of "World without Work" book

This terrifying scenario is already happening at one of the largest companies in the world, Amazon, which laid off 18,000 employees last January, and a million and a half workers in various sectors, according to Cathy Wood, CEO of Ark Invest, which focuses on investing in disruptive technology That includes: artificial intelligence, robotics, electric vehicles, energy storage, financial technology, and 3D printing. it has also invested in cryptocurrencies. Amazon is currently adding 1,000 bots a day to its workforce and currently has more than half a million bots. However, Cathy predicts that the number of Amazon bots will outnumber workers by 2030.

The important question that Professor Daniel is trying to answer and that is of great concern to the world: will

automation eliminate the jobs of many people? Will artificial intelligence lead to widespread unemployment?

This problem arose in 1580 when Queen Elizabeth I of England refused to grant a patent for the "stocking frame" the automatic sewing machine invented by William Lee. She was concerned about the impact of the machine on the jobs and standard of living of workers in the handmade stocking knitting industry. Therefore, we will find that the protests of British textile workers and French silk manufacturers against the advent of textile machinery at the beginning of the nineteenth century were among the hallmarks of the European Industrial Revolution.



Will artificial intelligence, in its current evolution, take over our jobs?

In fact, this is a question that has sparked controversy between two major groups. The first group is the technologists: Silicon Valley old-timers like Elon Musk and Bill Gates, their views always take this approach: People should prepare because robots and artificial intelligence will take over. Not only will technology make many people unemployed, but it will also make a large percentage of them unemployed forever. Because their experience, education, and qualifications are far from the allocations of labor markets that acquire different and higher qualifications for the unemployed. The most important issue for the technical group is that, unlike previous technological waves, which mainly affected manual labor jobs, the next wave will take over the jobs of doctors, engineers, lawyers and even managers.

As for the second group, these thinkers and economists believe that this is not the first time that we have witnessed warnings and fears of machines controlling human jobs. There is a study by McKinsey International Consulting Corporation that states the loss of 3.5 million jobs in the United States, when computers appeared, including accountants, secretaries, typists, and others. Computer technology itself created more than 19 million new jobs in the same period, which means more than five times more jobs were erased. This means new jobs in many sectors, from the manufacture of computers themselves to the manufacture of related software and applications, to e-commerce and online selling.

Any new technology directly opens the door to host other jobs related to that technology at the same time. In short term, the replacement of labor with modern technologies will cause unemployment in the short term, but after the passage of the transitional period, the productivity of modern technologies will create new jobs in new departments. Increased productivity also means higher wages for workers and lower prices for commodities, which means that purchasing capacities will be greater and thus new production cycles to meet the demand for commodities. More jobs, better earnings and mean less working time and more free time. So, unemployment will disappear in the long run.

Whom will we suppose to believe, the tech pessimists or the economists who say that this is not bleak and that we will find better jobs with better wages and shorter hours?

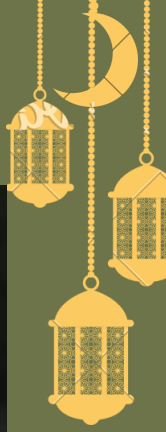


The truth is we have to believe both groups. History supports the argument of the economists and shows that the automation revolutions have achieved good results in the long run, but we can never ignore the views of the technicians who warn that this time is different and that the wave of automation is where we are not talking about a group of traditional machines and devices that do repetitive manual work in Factories, as was the case in the past, rather we are talking about intelligent machines that have the ability to learn from huge databases, the ability to drive cars and planes, trade in the stock exchange, diagnose some diseases, help prescribe medicines for treatment sometimes, and even arrange conversations with very high efficiency and this means that The range of threatened jobs has become much wider than it was in previous historical stages. Pessimistic technologists warn us that the rapid development of computer processors, artificial intelligence, and artificial neural networks is much faster than we expected.

How can experts identify jobs and sectors at risk?

The researchers collected 25 skills required in the labor market and classified them under five main capabilities: manual and vocational skills, basic or simple cognitive skills, advanced cognitive skills, social and emotional skills, and finally technical skills, and compared the available working hours for each type of these skills. skills in 2016 and the expected number of hours for them by 2030. The results, as is certainly expected, are that replacement will occur mainly in jobs that depend on soft skills and soft cognitive skills, while jobs that need social and communication functions will be in great demand. big. What is the lucky category? It is the category of people with communicative and emotional skills, such as managers, executives, teachers, coaches, business planners, salespeople, and marketing. Artificial intelligence cannot handle these fields, so the demand for it will increase. Finally, the luckiest and safest in the future are those with technical skills, application developers, network specialists, advanced data analysts, engineers, and robotics and artificial intelligence experts.





Child Marriage: **Killing Childhood**

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Kids generally and girls specially are more frequent to go through tough experiences. One of them is child marriage. Child marriage is any kind of marriage between two under ages or an underage and an adult. Even with the decrease in the percentage of the kids who are exposed to this, which has reached to be 1 to every 5 kids, this crime is still widespread specially in our region. Yemen is considered to have the highest percentage of girls going through this traumatizing experience. While Ethiopia is the first globally.

The UN is trying to end this violation before 2030 through some global actions. However, if the UN failed in this mission, 120 million girls will get married before their 18 birthdays.

Both genders are facing this violation, nevertheless, the percentage of the girls is higher and are more exposed to dangers.

Child marriage can threaten girls` lives in addition to their health and economic conditions and exposes them to the dangers of leaving education. The girl becomes in danger of experiencing domestic violence and may end losing her life because of the early pregnancy which usually happens during their teenage years.

The Egyptian government played an important role in reducing this crime with the help of the National Council for Childhood, people who engage by any kind in this crime can face jail for at least a year and a penalty that may reach to 50 thousand L.E. Citizens can report by calling 16000.





When You Pass by and Do Not Say Hello!

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Dear students, after greeting you and wishing you a happy Ramadan, please accept my heartfelt condolences. Dear students, you no longer look at me when you pass by, and you have completely stopped analyzing me. To be honest, I feel isolated and unnoticed; however, when you eat your meals by my side, I enjoy your company. I don't blame you, though, because I was dragged from the center of attention at Cairo University and placed in an area out of sight. Ugh... Is it because I am no longer shining? I do not know. Whatever the real reason might be, allow me to narrate to you the story behind my creation. Back in Ramadan of 1935, students your age were devastated because of how British colonialism was very invested in the political realm of our nation.

They announced that Egypt would not have the possibility of enjoying a real democratic life with agreed-upon constitutions, and they simply ordered that Egypt would not use the Constitution of 1930 nor restore the Constitution of 1923. Let me tell you that this announcement angered the students back then, and they decided to demonstrate.



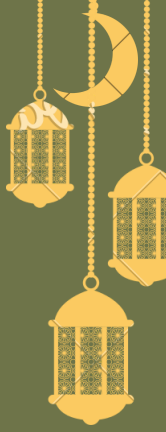
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As they gathered at Fouad University (now Cairo University), they raised the slogans of resistance and freedom. The police wanted to stop these demonstrations at all costs; hence, they opened Abbas Bridge so that students would not be able to pass through it to the heart of Cairo and go to Abdeen Palace. Ah! You do not have this now, but at that time the bridge used to be opened and closed whenever a boat was passing by. Anyway, back to our story, they prevented the students from demonstrating in Cairo by opening the bridge. Not until a cunning policeman decided to stop this completely, as for him it was all madness. He gave the order to close the bridge so that the students could cross it, and as the students were freely marching on the bridge, he ordered that they all be shot. Yes, as you read it. He tricked them into thinking that they were able to pass freely, and he ended their lives.

Poor students; some of them got shot, others drowned in the water when they tried to escape these shots, and many were dead by scramble. Huh. I do not find pleasure in telling you that this story has another part. Again in 1946, on Abbas Bridge, and after about 10 years, Cairo University students, as well as the rest of the Egyptians, were fed up with British colonialism and wanted to end it completely. It was after World War II, and the Egyptians were already suffering the consequences. A large gathering on campus resulted in one of the largest demonstrations known since the outbreak of World War II, as described by historians,

at Abdeen Palace to present their demands to the King on February 9, 1946. And they had to cross the Abbas Bridge to do so. While the students were besieged, the police confronted them and surrounded them across the bridge, and the bridge was opened. Many students fell off the bridge into the Nile, killing or injuring over 200 of them. A large number, yeah. The two incidents marked two of the most sorrowful incidents in Egyptian history under the names of the First and Second Abbas Bridge incidents, respectively. Phew! If I could cry, I would have cried every time I narrated this story. I am very proud of those students and will be forever grateful for their victory. I was created by two artists, Fathi Mahmoud and Fahmi Moemen, who brought me into being in 1953. I am 70 years now. Quite old but still in fashion! I hope next time you go to your faculty and see me, you say hello and observe the details engraved on me. Ah! I forgot to tell you my name; they call me the Cairo University Memorial Statue.





Graduation project ... A journey comes to an end

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We started our journey four years ago , and here we are close to its end .. In this issue elite magazine we made an interview with some fourth-year students from various sections and departments. It was regarding their graduation projects, their thoughts , readings, their topics, and how their journey was .. and even more ! .

- **Explain briefly your graduation project, how did you get the idea and what is the problem you aim to solve?**

We come up with a very rich and varied thought and topics in various directions and in different departments from this question, the answers came in the way:For the Economics department: the impact of green financial policies on macroeconomic variables, which related somehow to climate literatures and the macroeconomic literature to reach a research problem that answers several questions and adds some concepts. From the Department of Political Science: Why have the Arab countries not been able to hold economic or military unity since the Treaty of Joint Defence and Economic Co-operation of the League of Arab States 1950 ? Focusing on the past obstacles that prevented Arab cooperation and which still exists ,

finally from the Department of Statistics: The impact of social media websites on the diet during the period of home isolation and quarantine during the Corona pandemic, the study seeks to clarify the relationship between the diet during quarantine and the social media.

- **What are the problems that you have faced that still exist and how have they been resolved or are still being worked on?**

Some argued that most of the problems revolved around choosing the topic of the graduation project in light of the great abundance in the literature on some topics, which makes you feel that all contributions have been already covered and that nothing new can be added. From the other hand , some topics have no resources but in fact they are very attractive and have many gaps that need to be addressed with research and contribution .some others are very rich ones from which many results are reaped, there is no doubt that most of them faced a difficulty in obtaining quantitative data from reliable sources especially because mostly they are not updating constantly . That's why , some of the students of the Economics Department indicated that many tended to conduct their research with a descriptive rather than quantitative methods

due to the difficulties that they face with the data such as building standard models and statistical analysis, in addition that the courses they took were not sufficient to form a statistical knowledge base that enables them to quantitatively analyse economic variables using various software tools, and others added problems related to the team and the division of tasks among its members.



- **What about the team? Are cooperation, acceptance of opinions, seeking the best results were characteristic of the team?**

The opinions of our guests differed, furthermore, some students of Department of Political Science conduct their graduation project individually, which created the point of a comparison between group work and individual work. Some said that it depends on the team members but one of the common problems is the activity of some members, the inaction of others, and the failure to actually contribute to presenting a proposal or idea, as well as a solution to a problem, only implementing what the leader of his team ask him to do to . Other disputes occur because some people do not submit on time, but all problems are contained and resolved without affecting the peace of the team members' relationship with each other. As for those who work individually, they see that this enables them to better read and study their subject without laxity or dependence on team members, and also There are no problems related to disagreements, mismanagement, or being late for a specific date, but the individual work represents a great burden, whether as a complete research based on one individual, or the absence of a partner or more who exchange ideas and points of view.

- **Have you exchanged thoughts and experiences other teams, whether from the same sections, or other sections ?**

Everyone pointed out that the exchange of thoughts and experiences between colleagues from other teams contributes positively and adds a lot to their graduation project especially when in comes to recommendations and policy presenting, in addition that thoughts, experience and inspiration are significant as well as research and reading. One of our interviewees said that , he got his graduation projects Ideas from a funny conversation he hold with a friend !

- **What are the mistakes you made unconsciously or because of lack of knowledge, and what is your advice to avoid falling in it ?**

One of the problems that I have been told by the most of the students is that they did not read and research well before choosing the topic , or to choose a topic that is not familiar with all members, also to choose a hard topic, that have very rare resources, from another hand some have mentioned problems that are related to the unsuccessful selection of project colleagues,



while everyone agreed on the fact that compatibility and understanding between the members play a pivotal role in the success of the project, and may even precede the seriousness and commitment. To avoid their mistakes, they advised to read in the topic very well and make sure of the validity and availability of its resources and updated data before choosing it . Also to choose your team members carefully and consider the time to review any part before it is submitted .



- **Now , We are close to the deadline of submission of the project ..How was the journey? Did it aspired you to work as a researcher?**

They all expressed their proud of their graduation projects , and said that despite the difficulties they faced and are still facing, the graduation project is a station for rearranging, reviewing and recalling the knowledge they gained in the past years, and the crossroads of choosing a destination to follow in thier path that may end with the submission of graduation project or it may continue as a field of work . Many has been inspired to work as a researcher as a result of this small journey from submitting the proposal to submitting the final paper, justifying that working as a researcher makes you never stop acquiring knowledge, which make you feel that today you are not the same as yesterday and also tomorrow won't be like today . while others added that they prefer to work in implementing agencies rather than just conducting research and presenting Solutions as unfortunately, many researches, despite the time, effort, and money spent on them, end up merely adding to theories, not reality, and raise the rank of an individual knowledge, not a social one ..

- **Have you reached any results that enable you to formulate policies that can be presented to decision makers ?**

We did not reach accurate answers to this question simply because our work is still in progress and before that we read the previous and related studies to form a solid knowledge base that includes the topic from the core to the crust. formulating policies to present them to a decision-maker is not easy without analyzing the problem on , know its basis and what are the obstacles that face its solving and even what were the solutions presented before and what prevented their implementation. As we learned at Faculty of Economics and Political Science , we should differentiate between the policies that are formulated for governmental Matters and what is proposed by common people in cafes and markets, as not everything that is proposed, is valid to be implemented or even just considered and discussed.



Hence , The journey is about to end with its sweetness and bitterness, with what we have gained and what we have lost, the journey of enriching you, not only by knowledge , but also friends, relationships and memories! What follows is built on it, not in isolation from its results. We can only wish us, our colleagues, and everyone who belongs to the our home , Faculty of Economics and Political Science a journey full of great success, both scientifically and practically.

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Media stereotyping in Egypt: is it really reflecting our society?

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Cancel the TV! Or maybe not. At the end, we depend on it for entertainment and some fun. But how much our access to media and television affects us? In one way or another, we expect to see and learn about each other through this screen. The continuous reproduction of shows, series and movies made us always waiting for the right representation of who we are. Not surprisingly then, when it comes to an inappropriate irrelevant content, the public opinion is driven crazy. Which is the case in Egypt!

Egyptian people gather around TV as a tradition, especially during Ramadan, when numerous series are streaming everywhere and all the time.

Consuming about 180 minutes of mass media per day, a very big number and maybe even more, the Egyptian public opinion never stop its comments and overview about what they are viewing daily.

So, when media and stereotypes meet, its either a success or a begin of an endless debate. Media stereotyping refers to a certain way of describing and showing people who belong to specific ethic or cultural groups. Hence, news programs, tv shows and series all over the world use this term to introduce the distorted image that they want to diffuse. You remember in foreign movies when they used to represent Egypt as sand, desert and pyramids with a man on the camel only? This is a very basic example of the improper representation.



Returning to Egypt, if the world is already misrepresenting us, why we do the same to ourselves? Recently, as Cairo's billboards start its marketing with series posters, some of them annoyed the citizens and it was obvious on social media.

They ask if the veiled woman will be again shown as the bad looking unhappy human in the society, or if the story of the unrealistic hero who was suffering all his life will be streaming again only with different names, and hundreds of others thoughts that scares the society. What bother the most, are the entertainment shows with only screaming and bullying that has no purpose to be streamed but to gain some views.

Stereotyping is only one of millions of problems that we are facing.

If we search for the reasons, we need to clarify whether the media, is we looking for the profit in terms of money and views or in terms of content? The ideal answer could include the purpose of media, which is to be "an informative network to unite the world", to educate, entertain and document, but perhaps all this was in the past, or maybe never. When was the last time you watched something moral? The dark truth is that we never know the messages we are receiving daily through screens, phones and even journals.

However, what drives the media to produce in first place, is what the people demand, this is not just an economic statement, I believe it is applicable on anything.





If the public opinion is fragile, the producer got the main power to play with the mindsets. If the public opinion is powerful enough to expose thoughts, ideas and facts to the world, the media will concentrate on it.

At the end, The Ramadan season is not the only time to discuss the issue of stereotyping. Mass media in Egypt does have other problems such as the ‘Tabloidization ’ and the ‘Overton window’, additional to many more. A deceptive stereotyping may lead to a bigger gap between people in society, and forms of undirect discrimination. It is an extreme case ignored by those in charge and needs to be taken more seriously.

“The more media literate we collectively become, the better equipped we will be to reform these broken systems, and push for accuracy and transparency in the communication channels that bind society together”



The Overton Window

Issues outside of a narrow window of "acceptable" mainstream discourse tend to not be discussed.

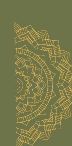
What is broadly acceptable and what is taboo in society is constantly evolving.



Tabloidization

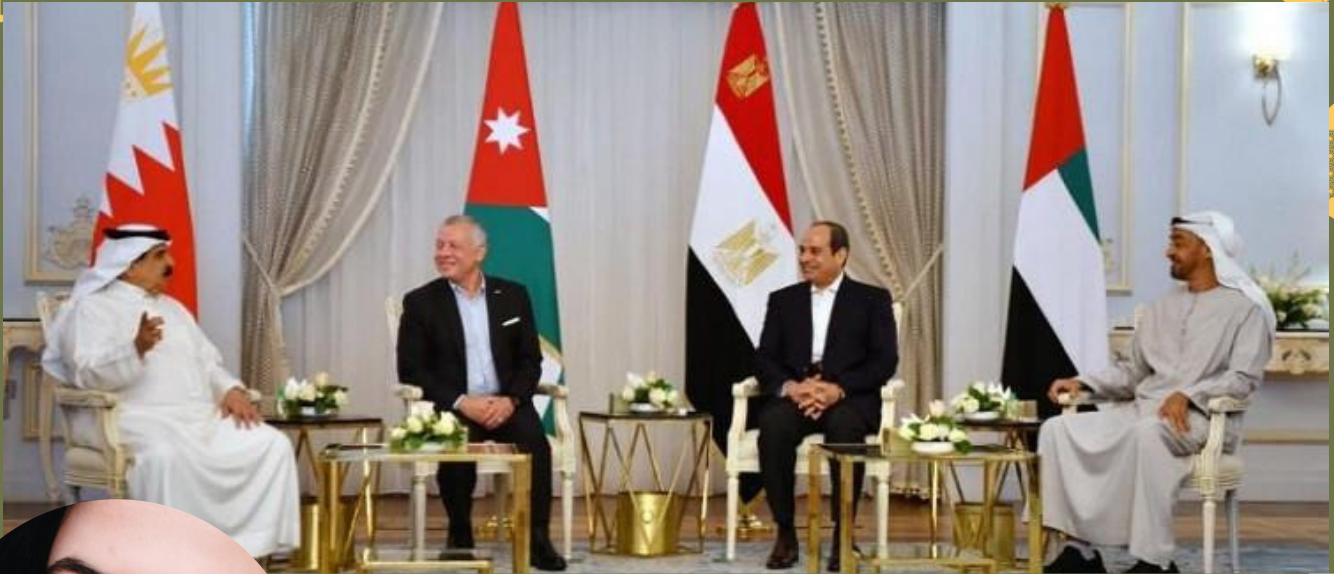
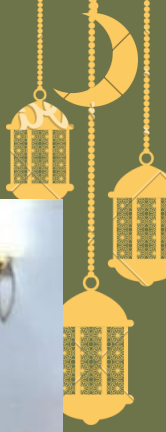
Enhanced focus on entertainment and the lives of celebrities, and more superficial coverage of current events.

Lurid coverage of the personal lives of public figures takes resources and attention away from more meaningful reporting.



Caricature





Tough Times : The Regional Settings and Egypt's Relations

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The Egyptian-Gulf relations have been recently going through many changes and developments. With the increased Gulf investments in Egypt, especially by the United Arab Emirates and Saudi Arabia, we see Egypt's reliance on the Gulf's funding during the current economic crisis, especially after the last loan from the International Monetary Fund (IMF). These relationships carry many strategic visions, visions that encompass a history that repeats itself on one hand and on the other hand, almost entirely renovates itself again and again in a time of globalization where the intersection of interests in the current capitalist system is more and more complex.

Concerning the tensions that may arise, the country's policy seems to think that the space for consensus is greater than the space for disagreement, whether it is to stave off a threat, maximize benefits, assert positions, or deepen an alliance.

The relationship with the Gulf Cooperation States is of the utmost importance and priority for the decision makers in Egypt. The economic aspect of investments and assistance on the one hand and the national security and strategic aspect on the other, especially with the escalating threats in the neighboring regions from both non-Arab regional powers (Turkey and Iran) and subnational violent acts; such as armed militias and terrorist organizations; Or organized political currents such as the Muslim Brotherhood have penetrated the structures of some States and societies have come in handy with deepening the Gulf-Egyptian relations.

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In the middle of the Egyptian-Gulf Alliance, with the economy as the basic building block, we have recently found Egypt between the dense Gulf investments deemed as necessary for the Egyptian economy and its renaissance, a relatively recent general climate of tension between Egypt and Saudi Arabia, the return of Saudi-Iranian diplomatic relations and the resume of Egypt's relations with Qatar and Turkey poses a new way of seeing the world – The Arab one at least. **So, In this hazy climate, do we expect it to break out in the near future?**



Egyptian-Saudi relations have always been going through ups and downs with the assurance of friendship and brotherhood at the end of the. Hence, Mohammed al-Jadaan, Minister of Finance of Saudi Arabia, stressed that the Kingdom has started investing intensively in Egypt, noting that Cairo has promising economic potential. This came during an international economic conference held in Saudi Arabia. In the light of this strong economic interdependence, last month, a rift emerged between the two sides in the form of a media sparring, political criticisms directed by media elements rose tensions between both countries.

With escalating criticisms of the regimes on both sides, amid official silence from the governments of Riyadh and Cairo until President , President Al-Sisi intervened and stressed the strong fraternal relationship that brings both countries together and their important and continuing common interests.

It was a calculated intervention at a time when this sparring is seen as a sign of a change in the Cairo's regard in dealing with its strategic allies, and an indication of the destination of the Egyptian diplomatic compass, especially after Egypt's 2015 retreat against Saudi Arabia following the dispute on the islands of Tiran and Sanafir for months. However, Saudi investments and diplomatic relations have not been as close as they are today. And generally we found that the Egyptian President rarely misses an opportunity to express his gratitude to the Gulf: Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, the United Arab Emirates and Bahrain, especially after the 2011 revolution.

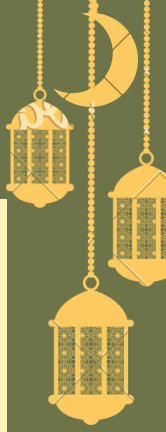


Anyhow, regarding ongoing investments, many question rose about Saudis' return on their investments ; expressed somewhat indirectly early in January in Davos, by Saudi Finance Minister Mohammed al-Jadaan who the World Economic Forum that his country "used to make direct grants and deposits without restrictions, and we are changing that", and he went on: "We need to see reforms. We tax our people; We expect others to do the same and do their best. We want to help, but we also want you to do your part. "

The same statement was echoed in the Kuwait Fund for Arab Economic Development (KFAD), where Al Qabas Daily stated that officials had stressed that "the loans to be provided by KFAD must be in line with Kuwait's foreign policy, especially with regard to political support on certain issues with a positive return". These statements were the origin of the sparring mentioned in the last paragraph.

Several tweets followed Kuwait's announcement by Saudi commentators close to the monarchy, such as Turki Hamad and Khalid al-Dakhil, blaming Egypt's economic difficulties for the military's interference in society and politics since the 1952 revolution.





So, we can describe or rather explain the description of the fraternal/brotherly relationship between Egypt and Saudi Arabia as half-brothers. With billions of dollars circulating in the Egyptian market, Cain and Abel are so far on truce.

In the face of recent developments, added to the list of economic charcoals, another diplomatic coexistence that is in the interest of the country is back to the scene: the return of Saudi-Iranian relations. In a statement on Saturday, March 11th, the President said that Egypt "appreciates this important step and welcomes the direction taken by Saudi Arabia in this regard in order to end regional tension." That being said, we can expect soon to see the return of Egyptian-Iranian relations in conjunction with efforts to restore Egyptian-Turkish relations. This opens the way for questioning:



In view of this growing economic dependence and with the increasing number of alliances changing the map of the Middle East, **Till when shall we expect this brotherly relationship to last?**





The Financial Regulatory Authority: Strengthening the national Economy

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Over the course of two consecutive days, the Center for Economic and Financial Research and Studies at the faculty succeeded in organizing two seminars, the first of which was in cooperation with the World Bank Group and the second with the Financial Supervisory Authority under the title (The Role of the Financial Supervisory Authority in Enhancing the Role of the Non-Banking Financial Sector in Supporting the National Economy) on Monday corresponding to March 20, 2023, at the Council Hall - Faculty of Economics and Political Science - Cairo University. The round circle was mediated by Mr. Minister Mohamed Farid, Chairman of the Commission, in the presence of a group of economics professors at the college, while Prof. Dr. Adla Rajab moderated the dialogue as the head of the Center.

The Chairman of the Authority, Mohamed Farid, started by defining the nature of regulatory systems in general in Egypt before he was described in talking about financial control in particular. According to the constitution; There are four oversight bodies in Egypt, starting from the administrative oversight, which is responsible for monitoring corruption in the administrative apparatus, and then the Central Auditing Organization, which is responsible for two parts; The accounting part and the performance evaluation part (for institutions in the country). On the financial side, there are two main parties; The banking system and the Financial Supervisory Authority, while clarifying the laws that stipulate the role of oversight, and declared that the unified insurance law will be issued soon after its completion in the Senate.



The financial supervisor presented the activities subject to the supervision of the Authority, which are not few. The control is responsible for insurance complexes, the government fund, private insurance funds, insurance, money market, consumer finance, real estate finance, financial leasing, factoring and medium, small, and micro enterprises.

For these activities to be carried out, there are oversight bodies working to complete them. The affiliated and independent entities are divided into four entities; The first of them is the Knowledge Complex for Financial Literacy, which includes the Financial Services Institute, the Egyptian Center for Directors, the Regional Center for Sustainable Finance and the Egyptian Center for Voluntary Arbitration and Non-Bank Financial Dispute Resolution. There is also a record of movable guarantees, the microfinance unit, to which the chairman of the authority referred to the importance of microfinance and the difficulty of banks adopting it compared to the authority, and finally the unit for monitoring the quality of the work of account auditors.

Not only was the authority satisfied with that, but it presented statistics on total financing in 2022, which amounted to 560 billion Egyptian pounds. Noting that 304 billion Egyptian pounds are in the form of ownership, 90 billion are financial leasing contracts, and 55 billion Egyptian pounds is the value of issuing securities, which is issued by the Urban Communities Authority in the form of securitization bonds. In addition to 40 billion for microfinance, and the rest is distributed over consumer financing, commercial factoring and real estate financing. Minister Mohamed Farid highlighted the small rate of real estate financing due to the increase in the interest rate. And due to the importance of ratios, we find that the largest percentage of those who receive financing are women at a rate of 63%, and vice versa at the level of financing values, so we find that males lead with 22 billion Egyptian pounds, compared to 18 billion for females.



This brings us to an important proposition, which is the axes for the development of that institution. From the development of professionals, Where 24 thousand professionals are licensed annually among insurance brokers, investment managers and others at various levels. However, there is a gap in the market, especially in actuarial sciences, and in order for the Authority to address this gap, the FRA, in cooperation with the American University in Egypt, launched a diploma in actuarial sciences that will be available to students of statistics, actuarial, physics and mathematics. As the number of actuaries in Egypt is close to fifty people, who do not have sufficient professionalism and do not cover the demand for them.

In addition to the axis of financial, investment and insurance inclusion, developing markets and products through commodity funds, selling borrowed securities, financial derivatives, insurance policies in college bonds and other methods of reviving markets, and finally developing regulatory and service frameworks and supporting market stability.

The meeting concluded with a variety of questions from Elite Economics professors and students of the faculty, which highlighted intellectual diversity and the desire to learn on the ground. We are glad that there is a space for dialogue provided by the faculty of Economics and Political Science to its affiliates in order to advance their knowledge and expand their intellectual horizons, and we hope to repeat it periodically within our beloved university.

