

INP Annual International Conference

Innovation and Sustainable Development

Cairo: June 24 – 25, 2025

Intercontinental Hotel – City Stars – Alhambra Hall

Conference Agenda (Preliminary)

Day 1

Tuesday: June 24, 2025

9:30 – 10:00 AM	Registration
10:00 – 10:45 AM	Opening Session Welcoming Remarks
Dr. Ashraf Al–Arabi	<i>President, Institute of National Planning (INP)</i>
Dr. William Emmeke	<i>Professor, International and the Public Affairs (SIPA), Columbia University</i>
Dr. Rania Al – Mashat	<i>Minister, Planning, Economic Development and International Cooperation and Chairman of INP Board</i>
11:00 – 12:30 AM	Session 1 Innovation and Scientific Research: Development Dimensions and International Experiences
Chairman	Dr. Sharif Hammad <i>Former Minister of Scientific Research</i>
Speakers	Developmental and Cognitive Dimensions of Scientific Research and Innovation: Indicators and Implications <i>Dr. Moataz Khorshid</i>– Former Minister of Higher Education and Scientific Research
	International Experiences in Employing and Governing Emerging Technologies to Support Sustainable Innovation Ecosystems – <i>Dr. Maggid Khashba</i>– Professor, Institute of National Planning (INP)
	Business Environment Challenges to Innovation Driven Startups in Egypt (Presentation)– <i>Dr. Hesham Hadaka</i> – Advisor to Minister of Higher Education and Scientific Research
Discussant	Dr. Walid El-Zawawy

	<i>Secretary-General of the Council of Research Centers, Institutes, and Authorities, and Acting Head of the Sector for Scientific Research and Innovation Affairs at (MoHSR)</i>
12:30 – 1:00 PM	Break

1:00 – 3:00 PM	Session 2 Green Innovation to Support Sustainable Development
Chairman	Dr. Khaled Fahmy <i>Professor, Institute of National Planning and Former Minister of Environment – Executive Director of CEDARE</i>
Speakers	• The Role of Green Innovation in Achieving Sustainable Development in Egypt: An Exploratory Study – Dr. Khalid Attia – Vice President, Institute of National Planning for Research and Graduate Studies • Food Innovation in Facing Climate Change Challenges – Dr. Khaled Addour – Senior Researcher, National Center for Research and Development in Fisheries and Aquaculture, Algeria • Green Innovation in Egypt: Funding and Implementation Prospects for Sustainable Development – Mr. Mohamed El – Husayni Abdel Hamid – Researcher, Secretariat General of the House of Representatives • AI Legislation as a Tool to Stimulate Innovation in the Green Economy: A Legal Framework for Achieving Sustainable Development – Counselor Ahmed Mokhtar El-Mansi – Technical Office of Specialized Courts Sector – Ministry of Justice
Discussants	- Dr. Mohamed Hegazy Innovation and Digital Transformation Legislation Consultant - Dr. Nizar Samy- Project Officer, Inclusive Growth and Innovation UNDP
3:00 – 4:30 PM	Session 3 Financial Technology Innovations and Sustainable Development
Moderator	Dr. Ashraf Al-Arabi <i>President, Institute of National Planning</i>
Speakers	• Dr. Hala Elsaid <i>Economic Advisor to the Egypt's President and Former Minister of Planning and Economic Development</i>

	Dr. Islam Azam <i>Vice Chairman, Financial Regulatory Authority (FRA)</i> Mr. Ibrahim Sarhan <i>Chairman and Executive Director of E – Finance for Financial and Digital Investments</i>
4:30 – 5:00 PM	Lunch

Day 2 Wednesday: 25 June 2025	
9:30 – 10:00 AM	Registration
10:00 – 11:30	Session 4 Social Innovation and Sustainable Development
Chairman	Dr. Majid Othman <i>Director of the Egyptian Center for Public Opinion Research (Baseera) and Former Minister of Communications and Information Technology</i>
Speakers	- International Social Innovation Policies in Light of New Public Governance Indicators: A Critical Analytical Perspective – Dr. Nevine Zakaria – <i>Professor of Sociology, Ain Shams University</i> - Human and Knowledge Capital Development to Support Innovation in Egypt (Presentation) – Dr. Hani Ayad – <i>Former Executive Director, Innovators Support Fund (ISF)</i> - Social Innovation and Solving the Economic Empowerment Dilemma of Women Working in Agriculture in Egypt: Opportunities and Limits – Dr. Howida Roman – <i>Professor, National Center for Social and Criminological Research and Visiting Professor, INP</i>
Discussant	Dr. Ahmed Zayed <i>Professor of Sociology, Cairo University – Director of Alexandria Library</i>
11:30 – 1:00 PM	Session 5 Innovation Financing and FinTech
Chairman	Dr. Khaled Zakaria <i>Director, Macroeconomic Policy Center, Institute of National Planning</i>
Speakers	Competitive Financing to Support Research and Innovation: The Role of Science and Technology Development Fund (STDF) in Egypt (Presentation) – Dr. Walaa Sheta – <i>Executive Director of Science and Technology Development Fund (STDF)</i>

	• Innovative Climate Finance in Egypt: Harnessing Technology and Partnerships for Sustainable Development – Mohamed Alaa Eldin – Senior Financial Expert, Export Development Bank • The Role of Financial Innovation and FinTech in Achieving Sustainable Economic Growth in Egypt – Dr. Heba Elsayed Mohamed – Assistant Professor of Economics, Future University, KSA and Dr. Lamia Gadou – Lecturer of Economics, Zagazig University
Discussant	Mr. Sherif Sami Financial Expert and Former Chairman, Financial Regulatory Authority
1:00 – 1:30 PM	Break
1:30 – 3:00 PM	Session 6 Productive Technology Transfer as a Catalyst for Sustainable Development
Chairman	Dr. Samiha Fawzy Professor of Economics, Faculty of Economics and Political Science – Former Minister of Trade and Industry
Speakers	• Technology Transfer & Commercialization in Higher Educational Institutions “ Opportunities & Challenges (Presentation) – Dr. Mohamed Galal – Dean of Engineering, Al – Azhar University and Innovation & Entrepreneurship Advisor to the University President • Industry Localization and Tech Transfer Aligned with National Sustainable Development Priorities – Dr. Omnia El – Hussein – Administrative Sciences Center, Zagazig University • Unveiling the Impact of Innovation on Sustainable Industrial Development in Egypt – Dr. Hanan Abdel Khalek – Assistant Professor of Economics, Damanhour University
Discussants	Eng. Mohamed Abdel Karim – Former Chairman, Industrial Development Authority (IDA) Dr. Steve Colen – Professor of Practice, School of Public and International Affairs, Columbia University Dr. Anyi Wang – Associate Research Scholar at the Research Program on Sustainability Policy and Management, Columbia Climate School
3:00 – 4:00 PM	Session 7 Innovation and emerging technologies
Chairman	Dr. Alaa Zahran

	<i>Professor at the Institute of National Planning and Former President of INP.</i>
Speakers	• Main Speaker Dr. Hossam Osman - Deputy Minister of Higher Education and Scientific Research for Innovation, Artificial Intelligence, and Scientific Research • Enhancing Responsible Innovation through "Regulatory AI Labs" – Regional and International Experiences – Counselor Asmaa Abdel-Mawla Hassan <i>Administrative Prosecution Authority</i>
	• Employing Emerging Technologies to Develop Responsible Innovation Business Models in Egypt – Dr. Mai Mostafa – Lecturer, Institute of National Planning
Discussant	Dr. Mahmoud Sakr <i>Professor at the National Research Center (NRC) and Former President of the Academy of Scientific Research.</i>
4.00-5.00 PM	Conference Closing and Lunch