

Challenges and Chances in the Labor Market in Egypt and Beyond

A policy conference co-organized by
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Venue: Moataz Al Alfi Hall, AUC

Date: Sunday, November 10th

Time: 1:45 – 7:35 PM

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1:45 - 2:15	Registration and Coffee
2:15 - 2:30	<p>Welcome Remarks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ahmed El Sayed - Executive Director of J-PAL MENA at AUC and Associate Professor at AUC's School of Business. • Annabelle Krause-Pilatus - Deputy Programme Director G²LM LIC, Scientific Manager and Senior Research Associate at IZA. • Laura MacLean - Social Development Adviser at Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office
2:30 - 3:00	<p>Keynote Speech</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Magued Osman, Board Member of the Egyptian National Council for Women (NCW), CEO and Director of the Egyptian Center for Public Opinion Research "Baseera", Former Minister of Communication and Information Technology in Egypt, Former Chairman of the Egyptian Cabinet of Ministers' Information and Decision Support Center (IDSC)
3:00 – 4:00	<p>Panel Discussion on Women in the Labor Market: Challenges and Chances for Egypt and Beyond</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Oriana Bandiera, Programme Director G²LM LIC, J-PAL Affiliate, Sir Anthony Atkinson Professor of Economics at the London School of Economics, and an honorary foreign member of the American Economic Association, a fellow of the British Academy, the Econometric Society, CEPR, BREAD and IZA. • Mehrinaz El Awady, Leader of the Gender Justice, Population and Inclusive Development Cluster, UNESCWA

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Imane Helmy, Senior Economist at World Bank's Poverty and Equity Global Practice ● Mays Abou Hegab - Deputy Executive Director at Sawiris Foundation for Social Development ● Moderator: Ahmed Elsayed, Executive Director of J-PAL MENA at AUC and Associate Professor at AUC's School of Business.
4:00 - 4:30	Coffee Break
4:30 – 6:45	<p>Academic presentations by senior researchers <i>20 mins per session, including Q&A</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Munshi Sulaiman, Professor and Research Director, BRAC University, Institute of Governance and Development (BIGD): <i>“Measuring the long-term impact of reducing childhood poverty - Evidence from Ultra-poor graduation program”</i> ● Emily Beam, Associate Professor of Economics, University of Vermont: <i>“Improving Child Care Quality Through Social Franchising”</i> ● Ahmed Elsayed, Executive Director of J-PAL MENA at AUC and Associate Professor at AUC's School of Business: <i>“Addressing the root causes of irregular migration through employability and labor-intensive works”</i> ● Abdelrahman Nagy, Lead Evaluation Specialist, International Initiative for Impact Evaluation (3ie): <i>“The Impact of Subsidized Access to Nurseries and Employment Services on Mothers' Labour Market Outcomes and Child Development in Egypt”</i> ● Mai Mahmoud, Postdoctoral Fellow, J-PAL Middle East and North Africa: <i>“Pricing and Allocation of New Agricultural Technologies”</i> ● Amira El-Shal, Associate Director of Research, J-PAL Middle East and North Africa: <i>“Gender and Firm-level Corruption: New Evidence from MENA and Egypt”</i>
7:00 - 7:15	<p>Concluding Remarks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Ahmed El Sayed - Executive Director of J-PAL MENA at AUC and Associate Professor at AUC's School of Business. ● Oriana Bandiera - Programme Director G²LM LIC, J-PAL Affiliate, Sir Anthony Atkinson Professor of Economics at the London School of Economics, and an honorary foreign member of the American Economic Association, a fellow of the British Academy, the Econometric Society, CEPR, BREAD and IZA.
7:45 - 9:00	Dinner at Shajarat Al-Durr