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### **Professional Experience**

**Current: Member of the committee on civil and political Rights since 2021.**

**2014 – 2016: Ambassador of the Arab Republic of Egypt to the Holy See.**

### **2012 – 2013**

**Ambassador, Permanent Representative of Egypt to the United Nations Office in Geneva, the Conference on Disarmament, the World Trade organization and Other Specialized Agencies based in Geneva.**

**In that capacity, I dealt with a wide array of issues ranging from disarmament to trade negotiations and from human rights to labor and social issues. I chaired Egypt's delegation to the consecutive sessions of the Human Rights Council and represented Egypt to the International Committee of the red cross as well as other humanitarian organization. As Egypt's representative to WTO, I took part in the meetings leading to the trade facilitation negotiations.**

### **2005 – 2012**

**Deputy Minister of foreign Affairs and Chief of Cabinet of the Minister for Foreign Affairs;**

**Chair of the Board of Directors of the General Authority of Overseas Buildings Fund of the Ministry of foreign Affairs;**

**Member of the Review and Assessment Council of Personal at the Ministry of foreign Affairs.**

**This Particular span of time witnessed different transformations whether in terms of mechanisms or political developments. Prominent among these transformations was the establishment of the human Rights Council in 2006 and the deliberations which preceded that**

**significant development as well as the Review of the Council's status, work and functioning five years later.**

**2001 – 2005**

**Ambassador to Romania and non-resident Ambassador to the Republic of Moldova.**

**1999 -2001**

**Deputy Assistant Minister for European Affairs at the Ministry of foreign Affairs. During this period I was a chief negotiator of the general framework of cooperation between Egypt and the EU set by the association agreement including issues of human rights.**

**1998 – 2001**

**Senior Official Representative of Egypt to the Euro-Mediterranean Partnership and the Mediterranean Forum.**

**1997 – 1999 Director EU Department MFA – Cairo.**

**1992 – 1997 Political Counselor, Embassy of the Arab Republic of Egypt to Italy.**

**1987 – 1992**

**Member of international Economic Department Ministry of Foreign Affairs; Representative of Egypt to the African Group negotiating African positions for the Earth Summit meetings in Nairobi – Kuala Lumpur – Abidjan.**

**1981 – 1985 Member of the Egyptian Permanent mission to the United Nations in Geneva negotiating Chemical Weapons Convention.**

**Other Experiences Member of the National Committee of Egypt on Combatting Money Laundering.**

**Special Representative of Egypt in the international Contact Group on Afghanistan and Pakistan.**

**Representative of Egypt in the international contact group on Combating piracy in the Indian Ocean GF the coast of Somalia.**

**Head of Egyptian Delegation in Strategic Dialogue with United States of America, France, Russia, United Kingdom, Germany, Turkey, Greece and the European Union.**

**Lecturer at the Diplomatic Institute, the Defence College of NATO, Military Academy of Egypt, Diplomatic Academy in Malta, Institute of International Affairs Italy (IAI), Institute of European Affairs (Greece).**

**Commissioned by UNDP Egypt to Prepare an evaluation report on the activities of the Cairo Centre for Conflict Resolution and Peace Keeping in Africa (CCCPA). Preparing and Delivering a 10 days course to African Medium Career Diplomats on (The Modern Diplomat : Economic Diplomacy and National branding) for the Egyptian Agency for Cooperation and Development.**

**Preparing and delivering of 3 days course for Anglophone and Francophone African Diplomats in English and French on Crisis Management and simulation exercises.**

**Preparation and delivery of a course for the enhancement of economic diplomacy and negotiations skills for middle career African Diplomats accredited to South Korea (Seoul / November 2019 )**

**International Relations Adviser on the Middle East for Finalimentari, Rome, Italy.**

**2018 – 2019**

**Preparation and delivery of a 5 days Course for the development of economic diplomacy, national branding and negotiations skills to the African diplomats skills to the African diplomats accredited to the United States of America (Washington, February 2020)**

**Visit to Japan upon invitation from the Japanese Bar Association to advise Parliamentarians, Civil Society, Bar Association on the implementation of the concluding recommendations of the periodic review of Japan in 2022.**

## **EDUCATION**

**1977 Bachelor of Political Sciences and International Relations, Faculty of Economics and Political Sciences.**

**1978 Certificate of Diplomatic Studies, Diplomatic Institute, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Cairo, Egypt.**

**1980 Certificate of end of United Nations Fellowship on Disarmament and Arms Control United Nations, New York.**

**1984 Diploma of international Law and International Relations from HEI,**

**Geneva.**

**Languages**

**Excellent command of Arabic (mother tongue), English and French. -**

**Very command of Italian.**

**Awards**

**2005 Received the Decoration of the Grand by the President of Romania in recognition of outstanding services to Egyptian – Romanian Relations.**

**2004 Romanian Award for Best Foreign Diplomat of the Year.**