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**NATIONALITY** Egyptian

**BIRTH DATE** April 5, 1939

**EDUCATION**

- I. Oxford G.C.E. 1956 13 Subjects.
- II. B. A. (Highest Honors) Econ., 1963
- III. M. A. Econ. Stanford University, California, 1964.
- IV. D. Phil. Econ. Oxford University, U.K., 1973.

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**HONOURS AND AWARDS**

1. Scholarship for top-ranking student, AUC, 1959 through 1963.
2. Winner of the AUC President's Cup for ranking 1<sup>st</sup> among all graduating seniors, 1963.
3. Winner of Departmental Fellowship, Stanford University, 1963-64.
4. AUC Scholarship to study in Oxford 1967-71.
5. Oxford University Travel Scholarship to undertake research in Sudan: December 1969 - February 1970.

6. 1965 Winner of International Championship in English Shorthand.
7. 2003: Distinguished Alumni Award.

## **WORK EXPERIENCE**

- 1956 - 1959:  
Commercial-type work in Building Materials Ltd., Khartoum, Sudan.
- January 1965 - January 1967:  
Academic Assistant to the Dean of Faculties, AUC, and part-time Instructor in the Department of Econ. - Pol. Sc. AUC, and part-time Instructor, English Shorthand (Gregg), DPS, AUC.
- February 1967 - June 1967:  
Full-time Instructor in Econ., AUC.
- March 1968 - July 1971:
  1. Tutor in Economics, Temple University College, Oxford. (Part-time).
  2. Tutor in Economics, Oxford University (Undergraduate students). (Part-time).
- September 1971 - August 1973:  
Lecturer in Econ., AUC.
- September 1973 - May 1974:  
Assistant Professor of Economics, AUC.
- June 1974 - December 1974:  
Special Consultant to the Secretary - General of the U.N. World Food Conference held in Rome, Nov. 1974.
- January 1975 - January 1977:  
Economist at the U.N. World Food Council, Rome, and Consultant to the President of the World Council. Major responsibilities included negotiations with OPEC countries (Ministerial level) and DAC countries for

the creation of the International Fund for Agricultural Development. The Fund was created with a capital of \$ 1.012 billion U.S. Dollars.

- 1977 - 79:  
Assistant Professor of Economics, Econ. Dept., AUC.
- 1979 - 1984:  
Unit Head of Economics at The American University in Cairo.
- 1984 - 1987:  
Chairman, Department of Economics - Political Science - Mass Communication..
- 1987 - 1989:  
Associate Professor of Economics, Econ. Dept., AUC
- 1989 - Present:  
Professor of Economics, Econ. Dept., AUC
- 1990 - 1993:  
Economics Unit Head.
- 1993 - 1997:  
Chairman, Economics Department, AUC.
- 1998 - Present:  
Professor of Economics, Econ. Dept., AUC

**OFFICIAL TRAVEL : 1974 - PRESENT AND IMPORTANT CONFERENCE / CONSULTANCY ENGAGEMENTS:**

- People's Republic of China (invitation by the Chinese Minister of Agriculture in connection with the preparations for the World Food Conference).

- Japan (Invitation by Japanese Minister of Agriculture).
- Pakistan, India and Hong Kong (official trips accompanying Secretary General of World Food Conference).
- Kuwait (for discussions with the Finance Minister to the Establishment of International Fund for Agricultural Development).
- Saudi Arabia (same as above).
- Tunisia (representing the World Food Council at the FAO Regional Conference for the Middle East).
- Thailand and the Phillipines: Official visit financed by IDRC to visit International Rice Research Institute, Phillipines, and familiarize with work done by IDRC in Thailand.
- Acted as Discussant to two Conference papers at the Meeting of the International Economic Association in Madrid, 1983.
- Chaired an International Workshop on Agricultural Planning in Cyprus, 1980, for three weeks.
- Delivered paper at OECD Conference in Paris, on Food Security in Egypt, 1981.
- Delivered paper at a conference in Denmark on the Economics of food. Four participants representing Latin America, Africa, Asia, and Middle East. I represented the Middle East, 1978.

- Delivered paper at a Conference in Siena University in Italy on the "Unemployment of the Educated", 1983.
- Was one of 25 scholars invited to deliver papers at the Belaggio Conference for the U.N. World Food Council, 1984.
- Delivered paper on Land Tenure and Poverty in Arab Countries, in Amman, Jordan for the FAO Regional Meeting 1984.
- Delivered paper to the Meeting of Professors World Peace Association in England, February 1988.
- Several times delivered papers at meetings of non-aligned countries, and Africa-Latin America organized by the Egyptian Ministry of Foreign Affairs.
- Constantly working to prepare policy papers for the Egyptian Minister of Agriculture especially on Pricing Policies of outputs and inputs.
- Worked as Consultant to the Council of Arab Economic Unity and the Arab League.
- Consultant to Dar-El-Handassa on the Agricultural Projects in southern Egypt. Prepared Economic Papers, 1984.
- Worked as a Consultant to the President of the Integration Fund (Egypt and Sudan), 1983.
- Regularly working as a consultant to the Food and Agricultural Organization of the United Nations, Rome: The International Fund for Agricultural Development; and the International Labour Organization, Geneva.

Major works were undertaken on Economics of Food and Agriculture; and Labour Markets.

- Consultant to the AUC Desert Development Centre, 1979 - 1987.
- Visited the Peoples' Democratic Republic of Yemen, March 1988, and prepared a major report for Agricultural Projects in Five Governorates there-trip undertaken on behalf of the International Fund for Agricultural Development, Rome.
- Participated and delivered papers seven times in the last 16 years to the Aspen Institute (Italia). Last meeting, June 1999, St. Dominigo Hotel, Sicily.
- Regularly invited to Conferences by the Egyptian Universities, ERF, and ECES as discussant, moderator, and participant.
- June 2002 and June 2003  
Member of High Level Expert Consultation Group on Trade in Commodities FAO, Rome.
- Every Summer, since 2001 distinguished Visiting Professor to Innsbruck, Austria lecturing to graduate and undergraduate students of American Universities.

## **PUBLICATIONS AND MAJOR WRITTEN WORKS**

1. A. A. Beshai, Export Performance and Economic Development in Sudan 1900 - 1967, Ithaca Press, London, 1976 (378 pages).
2. The Capacity of a Developing Country to Feed Itself, A case Study of Egypt, Denmark 1978.
3. Perspectives on Agricultural Development in the Near East Region 1970's to 2000, FAO, October 1978. (146 pages).

4. "Pricing Policies in Egyptian Agriculture" FAO, 1978.
5. "The Agricultural Economy of Yemen Democratic Republic" 1982, IFAD.
6. Analysis of the Conditions and Criteria Affecting Choice Between Food Crops and Non-Food Export Crops, with Examples from the Experience of Africa, FAO, Rome, December 1982. (56 pages).
7. "The idea of Compensation: A Reappraisal" in International Migration in the Arab World (Volume II) pp. 1129 - 1141, ECWA, Beirut, 1982.
8. "The Unemployment of Intellectuals" Siena Conference, Italy, 1982.
9. "Land Tenure Systems in Six Arab Countries" FAO, 1983.
10. "Non-Alignment: North-South and South-South" in Non-Alignment in a changing World, Cairo Papers, (ed. M. E. Selim), Volume 6, No. 3, 1983.
11. "Some Aspects of the Labour Market in the Sudan" ILO, 1983.
12. "Agricultural Development Perspectives for Aswan, Qena, and Suhag." Carried for Dar El Handassa Consulting Office, 1984.
13. "The Economics of a Primary Commodity: Gum Arabic" in Oxford Bulletin of Economics and Statistics, Volume 46, No. 4 November 1984, pp. 371-382.
14. "Egypt and the Helping Hand" in The Impact of Development Assistance on Egypt, Cairo Papers (ed. E. Sullivan), Volume 7, No. 3, 1984.
15. "The Tariff Structure in Egypt" FAO, Rome, 1984.
16. A. Beshai, et. al, Price and Output Liberalization in Egyptian Agriculture, 1989.

17. "The Agriculture Sector in Egypt's Structural Adjustment, Published 1992 in Policies for Egyptian Agriculture in the 1990's (Joint Publication by FAO and Egypt's Ministry of Agriculture).
18. "Nutrition and Food Policies in Egypt" in a study by A. Beshai et al. for Ibn Khaldoun Center, Cairo, 1992.
19. "The Methodological Links between Structural Adjustment and Agricultural Marketing in Jordan." FAO 1993.
20. "A Contribution to the Theory of Constant Share Analysis" (Co-author K. Abadir).
21. "Farmgate Price Bias Against Agricultural Producers in Egypt" (Co-author).
22. Chapter entitled "Systems of Agricultural Production in Middle and Upper Egypt" (12,500 words) in a Book published by Oxford University Press, entitled : "The Agriculture of Egypt, 1994".
23. "Agriculture versus Industry in Egypt" published in a book ed. By D. Tschirgi, entitled "Comparative Studies on Egypt and Mexico." 1996.
24. Major Study entitled "Obstacles to Industrial Development in Egypt- Nineteenth and Twentieth Century", ILO, Geneva, 1994.
25. Chapter entitled: "Interpretations and Misinterpretations of the Egyptian Economy" in a book Published in England 1994, entitled: "Egypt through Egyptian eyes".
26. Privatization, Liberalization and All That" Leader Article in Ahram Weekly June 1993. Also several other leader articles.
27. April 1994 : Invited by ILO Geneva to develop a methodology for conceptualizing and computing an index for social justice to be applied to countries that are member of U.N.
28. December 1994: Discussant in the Conference held by the Egyptian Institute of M.E. Studies and U.S.A. Institute.
29. February 1994: Invited by American Cultural Centre, Alexandria, to lecture to businessmen on "GATT and Egypt".

30. Presented a Paper to Aspen Institute, Italy, July 1995, entitled: Egypt in The Context of Mediterranean Countries.
31. A detailed study on the role of the Copts in the Egyptian Economy, published in 1996 by Fondazione Agnelli, Italy.
32. A detailed study on "Privatization and Structural Adjustment in Egypt", published by Fondazione Agnelli, Italy, 1997.
33. Acted as Reviewer of documentation for the FAO, World Summit on Food Conference of November 1996.
34. In 1997: Attended several conferences, including Medit Forum, delivered paper on Egypt's trade with North Medit Countries in Rome (University of Rome, Torre Vergata Campus). Delivered paper on the role of the state in a privatized Economy to the Conference organized by Government of Morocco and Betelsmann Foundation, Germany, organized in Rabat, 1997.
35. 1998: Wrote a Paper for FAO, (Commodities Division) Rome on Issues for Agriculture in Developing Countries for 1999 WTO negotiations.
36. 1998: Delivered Lectures at Oxford University, U.K. and Durham University, U.K. on Egypt's Economic Reform.
37. 1999: In August, presented a Paper to the Arab League on "Trade and Environment", published by Arab League.
38. 1999: Adel Beshai et al., CGE Model for the Partnership Agreement between Egypt and the EU : A Comparative Study in The Middle East Business and Economic Review, Vol. 11, No. 2, Sydney, Australia, December 1999, pp. 29-46.
39. Several recent substantial publications in The Ahram Weekly and other Magazines in Cairo, Egypt.
40. In 2007, conducted several TV interviews on Economic issues and Magazines e.g. Business Monthly, Egypt Today, Business Today.

41. Started a major research project with other colleagues in October 2007 on FDI in Egypt, financed by the EU through University of Modena, Italy.

## **RECENT APPOINTMENTS**

June 1998 : Appointed by President Mubarak to be a Member of the Egyptian Shura Council (Upper House of The Parliament) for six years.

July 1998: Appointed by Egyptian Deputy Prime Minister as one of a 5-member Committee constituting The Supreme Council for Agricultural Policies.

October 1998: Appointed as Senior Research Associate in the Economic Research Forum for Arab Countries, Iran and Turkey.

Since 2001 to the present (continuing) appointed by President Mubarak as a member of the 130 body Supreme Council for Policy-making.

Since 2001 to the present (continuing) appointed as a member of the Egyptian National Democratic Party's Economic Committee, with membership in The Energy Sub-Committee, The Tourism Sub-Committee and The Sub-Committee for Information dissemination.