

Curriculum Vitae

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Education:

- Ph.D. Agricultural Extension, 1980, Cairo University
- M. Sc. Agricultural Extension, 1975, Cairo University .
- B.Sc. Rural Sociology and Agricultural Extension, 1970, Cairo University.

Employment:

- Executive Director, The faculty of Agriculture Research Park (FARP) (2008-2009)
- Head of Agricultural Extension Division, The Arab Center for studies of Arid Zones and Dry Lands (ACSAD), The League of Arab States, Damascus Syria.(2009-2011).
- Vice Dean for Environment Development And Community Service, Faculty of Agriculture Cairo University, (2004-2008).
- Professor, Department of Rural Sociology and Agricultural Extension, Cairo University. (1992-todate)
- Visiting Research Professor, the Social Research Center, The American University in Cairo, (1992- 2004).

- Visiting Research Associate, the Social Research Center, The American University in Cairo, (1991- 1992).
- Associate professor, Cairo University, (1980-1992) .
- Lecturer, Cairo University, (1975-1980).
- Demonstrator, Cairo University, (1970-1975) .

Research and work Experience :

- Chair of the Governing Council of The African Center for technology Studies ACTS. A Nairobi-based international intergovernmental think-tank for applying science, technology and environmental policy into development. www.acts.or.ke
- Focal Point for Communication for Development Near East, An FAO initiative. <http://communicationfordevelopment-neareast.org>
- Co-Organizer and participant of the Consultation on communication for Development in the Near East, Cairo workshop June 2006
- Coordinator of North Africa Region for the “Pan African Program on Land and Recourse Rights. PAPLRR is co-managed by the Program for Land and Agrarian Studies (PLAAS), School of Government, University 2 of the Western Cape, African Centre for Technology Studies (ACTS), Kenya, Community Conservation and Development Initiatives (CCDI), Lagos, NIGERIA, and the Social Research Center (SRC), The American, University in Cairo (2000-2004).
- Principal Investigator for the study project “Social Value and Management of Water in Egypt, IDRC, Minia University Project. (2001- 2003).
- Consultant to the Egyptian Swiss Development Fund (ESDF) for midterm evaluation of the integrated development project (illiteracy, health education, and social awareness project) implemented by CARITAS, Egypt. (2001)
- Member of the Advisory Board of the Netherlands Funded project "Partnership for Development Research”, The Social Research Center, The American University in Cairo. (2000-2004)

- Principle investigator for the study "Social And Economic Impacts of New Land Reform Legislation on The Rural Economy" SRC-AUC / FORD Foundation (1998)
- Co-principal investigator for the study "Assessment of Land Reclamation Policies in Egypt, ESRUD/IDRC (1980).
- Consultant to the Canadian International development Agency (CIDA) and the EEAA for "Egypt Environmental Initiative Fund" as project Communication component manager (1997- 1998)
- Member of evaluation team of the International Development Research Center (IDRC), for an impact assessment study of the Center's funded projects, (1997)
- Member of the research team on "Developing indicators for Improving Agricultural Cooperatives Performance in Egypt", Mansura University/Fredrich Nowman funded project, 1997 .
- Head of the field research team for Evaluation of Shrouk Program, (A Nationwide Rural Development Project), Development Alternatives/USAID (1997)
- Co-organizer of "The Leads Seminar son the Environmental Sustainability in Egypt", Funded by FORD foundation and involved Leeds University-UK, Cairo University, Minia University and The American University in Cairo (1997-1999)
- Co-principal investigator for the study "Organization of work and Production In Qena and Aswan Governorates "SRC-AUC/DANIDA (1993-1998)
- Co-principal investigator for the study "Profiles of Development in Qena and Aswan" SRC-AUC (1992-1993)
- Member of the evaluation team of the Green Houses project in Delta, Egypt, Netherlands Development Agency (1992)
- Community organization and agricultural extension specialist of the Integrated Water and Soil Improvement Project "ISAWIP" Canadian International development Agency (CIDA), (1987-1991)
- Member of the Research team of the study on: "Impact of Industrial Development on Economic and Social Security in Egypt". Ohio State University- Cairo University (1975-1982) .

Conferences and Workshop :

- Tradition, Environment, and Publicness in Asia and the Middle East, Chiba University, Japan, December 2006.
- World Congress on Communication for Development (WCCD), Rome, Oct. 25–27, 2006 .
- Third workshop of the Pan African Program on Land and Resource Rights, Nairobi, Kenya, 2002 .
- The 4th Preparatory meeting of the world Summit for Sustainable Development, Bali Indonesia, 2002 .
- Second Workshop of Pan African Program on Land and resource Rights, Lagos Nigeria, 2002 .
- First Workshop Pan African Program on Land and resource Rights , Cairo, Egypt, 2002 .
- The International Conference on Agrarian Reform and Rural Development: Taking a Stock, Cairo, Egypt, March, 2002
- The World Summit for Sustainable Development (WSSD), Johannesburg, South Africa, August-September 2002 .
- World Volunteer Conference, Amsterdam, The Netherlands, January, 2001.
- XVII Congress of the European Society for Rural Sociology, Lund Sweden, 1999 .
- The International Land tenure Conference, Cape Town University, Cape Town, South Africa, January 1998.
- Study tour to the Land tenure Center, University of Wisconsin, Madison, 1998.
- The International Conference on "Conflict and Identity in Africa", Leeds, University, Leeds, England, September 1997 .
- The 55th Annual conference of the national Council on family relations, Baltimore, MD, 1993 .

Publications and Paper Presentations :

- The Egyptian cooperative movement: between State and Market, in: Patrick Develtere, Ignace Pollet & Fredrick Wanyama (eds.), Cooperating out of poverty, The renaissance of the African

cooperative movement, International Labor Office, World Bank Institute, 2008

- Agrarian Reform and Tenancy problems in Upper Egypt", in: Ray Bush, Ed., Counter Revolution in Egypt's Countryside, Zed Books, 2002 .
- "From contracting with the state to contracting with land owners: land market and lease contracts", Paper Presented at the conference on "Social and Cultural Processes in Upper Egypt", Aswan, Egypt, October, 2002.
- Tenancy Relations, Cropping Pattern and Household Food Security, (in Arabic), in: Mostafa Kamel El-Sayed, Ed. "What Happened in Egypt Countryside", Center for the Study of Developing countries, Development Issues no.20, 2001
- The Status of Land Holding Before and After the Implementation of Law 96/1992, A case study on land Holding registry in Two Villages of Upper Egypt", in: Heba Nasar and Heba El Laithy, Socio Economic Policy and Poverty Alleviation Programs in Egypt., Center for Economic and Financial Research & Studies (CEERS), Faculty of Economics and Political Sciences, Cairo University, 2000 .
- "Farmers and Cooperatives in the Era of Structural Adjustment" in : Nicholas S. Hopkins and Kirsten Westergaard, Eds. "Direction of change in Rural Egypt" The American University in Cairo Press, 1998 .
- "Agrarian Reform and Tenancy Problems in Upper Egypt", paper presented at the International conference on "Conflict and Identity in Africa", Leeds University, Leeds, England, 15-17 September 1997.
- "Farmers and Structural Adjustment, The First Lesson" paper presented at the international seminar on " Egypt Today, State, Society, and regional Role" Manchester University, Manchester, England, 1996 .
- "Industrialization, Social and Economic Security, and Family Structure", paper presented at the 55th. Annual conference of the national Council on family relations, Baltimore, MD, 1993 (with Sharon Houseknecht, Ohio State University

- "Profiles of Development in Qena and Aswan" Social Research Center, American University in Cairo 1993.