



The Third High-level Ministerial Dialogue on the Climate Finance regarding information to be provided by Parties in accordance with Article 9, paragraph 5, of the Paris Agreement

Information about the resource persons

Ahmed Kouchouk
Minister of Finance, Egypt



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Mr. Ahmed Kouchouk was appointed as the Minister of Finance of Egypt in July 2024. He served as the Vice Minister of Finance for Fiscal Policies and Institutional Reform starting March 2016 till July 2024. Since then, he has been playing a leading role in planning and implementing Egypt's macroeconomic and fiscal policies and reforms. He has also been the Chief Negotiator and Government focal point with the IMF since 2016.

Performing his duties as the Vice Minister of Finance, he has been supervising and managing the functions of various policy-related units and departments at the Ministry of Finance, including the Macro Fiscal Policies Unit, Debt Management Unit, Public Private Partnership Unit, Transparency and Citizen Engagement Unit, the Public Financial Management Unit, as well as the Institutional Reform Unit. He has been managing miscellaneous work streams at the Ministry of Finance, including engagement with international institutions, rating agencies, investment banks, and investors.

He has also been overseeing the process of setting and updating the Macro Fiscal Framework, including setting fiscal and debt targets over the medium-term, preparing the annual budget, monitoring budget implementation, managing fiscal risks, and overlooking debt strategy and related policies.

Mr. Ahmed Kouchouk also serves as Egypt's non-resident Executive Director at the Asian International Infrastructure Bank Board (AIIB). Additionally, he leads Egypt's inter-ministerial team managing the annual economic dialogue with the EU. He is currently a board member at the Monetary-Fiscal Coordination Council, the Arab African Investment Bank, Egypt National Training Academy, National Defense Council, Heliopolis for Housing Development Company, Electricity Utility and Consumer Protection Regulatory Body, Misr Phosphate Company, the Egyptian Central Depository and Registry Company, as well as the Urban Development Economic Authority.

He has been the Ministry of Finance's focal coordinator with monetary authorities since 2016. Moreover, he served as a Board Member at the Central Bank of Egypt from April 2016 to June 2018, at Egypt Air Holding Company from 2018 to 2020, and at Misr Fertilizers Production Company (MOPCO) from January 2021 to April 2022, as well as at Talaat Mostafa Holding to July, 2024. He had been also entitled as a board member in several other institutions over the past years.

Mr. Ahmed Kouchouk is a proficient economist and policy advisor with almost 25 years of applied experience. He worked as a Senior Economist for the World Bank from June 2013 to March 2016. Furthermore, he worked at the Ministry of Finance in several leading roles for more than 14 years, including the Vice Minister, the Economic Advisor, and the head of the Macro Fiscal Unit. He also served for the Ministry of External Trade and the Ministry of Economy in Egypt.

He earned his master's degree in Economic and Public Policy from Harvard Kennedy School of Government in 2010, and a master's degree in Economics from York University in the United Kingdom in 2002. He also had a B.A in Economics in 1998 from the American University in Cairo.