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Support to Enhanced Administrative and Public Economic Governance in Egypt

*Meeting of the Technical Advisory Group for
Public Financial Management*

Agenda



6 February 2023
10.00 AM-12.00 PM
Nile Ritz Carlton, Abdeen Ballroom



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Overview and objectives of the meeting

As part of the strategic partnership between the Government of Egypt and the European Union (EU) Delegation in Cairo, the **First Meeting of the Technical Advisory Group (TAG)**, for the Public Financial Management (PFM) component of the European Union funded project “**Support to Enhanced Administrative and Public Economic Governance in Egypt**”, will take place on **6 February in Cairo**. This five year project implemented by the OECD will support the Government of Egypt to strengthen the monitoring and implementation of priority public governance reforms in the country, through its two components: (1) Public Administration Reforms and (2) Public Financial Management. The former will support the implementation of the Sustainable Development Strategy 2030 (SDS) and the Administrative Reform Plan (ARP), while the latter will ensure the financial framework facilitates the effective and efficient execution of robust public finance systems. These objectives respond to the EU-Egypt Partnership Priorities 2021-2027¹ and will be implemented through the strategic collaboration between the EU, the Government of Egypt and the OECD.

The OECD inception report has been accepted by the Egyptian authorities and by the EU Delegation at the end of 2022. This first meeting of the TAG for PFM marks the beginning of the substantive work under this project and will discuss the inception report, its results and recommendations for the way forward. It will also serve as an opportunity to agree on the roles of each institution and next steps for implementation. The meeting will be co-chaired by the Ministry of Finance (MoF) of Egypt and the EU Delegation in Cairo, with the OECD as facilitator and secretariat. Notably, TAG meetings will be organised twice per year and will continue to be co-chaired by the MoF and the EU Delegation.

The meeting will be in English with Arabic interpretation available.

Partner Egyptian Public Institutions of the PFM component

- Ministry of Finance (MoF)
- Ministry of Planning and Economic Development (MPED)
- Egyptian Tax Authority (ETA)
- Central Agency for Organisation and Administration (CAOA)

¹ EU-Egypt Partnership Priorities 2021-2027, available online at <https://data.consilium.europa.eu/doc/document/ST-2803-2022-ADD-1/en/pdf>

The National Council for Women and the Ministry of International Cooperation will also be invited to participate.

Activities will be closely coordinated with the Ministry of Planning and Economic Development, as the leading institution of the Public Administration Reform component of this project.

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10:00 - 10:30

Opening Remarks

- **Ahmed Kouchouk**, Vice Minister for Fiscal Policies and Institutional Reform, Ministry of Finance (Co-chair)
- **Alice Peslin**, Head of Economic matters, European Union Delegation in Cairo (Co-chair)
- **Jon Blondal**, Head of Division, Public Governance Directorate, OECD
- Introductory tour de table

10:30 - 11:50

Overview of the Public Finance Management Component of the Support to Enhanced Administrative and Public Economic Governance in Egypt Project

- **Co-chairs: Ahmed Kouchouk**, Vice Minister, Ministry of Finance and **Alice Peslin**, Head of the Economic matters Team, European Union Delegation in Cairo
- **Overview of the project and results from the inception phase: Jon Blondal**, Head of the Public Management and Budgeting Division, OECD and **Brian Finn**, Senior Policy Analyst/Project PFM Lead, OECD and **May Abo Ghaly**, Tax Advisor/ Tax Programme Lead, Center for Tax Policy and Administration, OECD
- **Remarks and technical comments:** Members are invited to intervene in the following order per the project's subcomponents on public finance management.
 - **Mr. Ahmed Kouchouk**, Vice Minister for Fiscal Policies and Institutional Reform, Ministry of Finance
 - **Mr. Mokhtar Tawfeek**, Head of Egyptian Tax Authority and **Mr Ramy Mohamed**, Deputy Minister for Tax Policy and Reforms
 - **Mr. Hesham Sobhy Ibrahim**, Head of the Central Department, President of the CAO office and **Ms Heba Salama**, Director General of the Organization Department of CAO
 - **Dr. Naglaa El Adly**, General Director, National Council for Women and **Ms. Shereen Maher**, International Cooperation Specialist
 - Ministry of International Cooperation (TBC)
 - **Francesca Mazzucco**, Programme Manager, Economic governance, European Union Delegation in Cairo

The co-chairs and the OECD will summarise the key takeaways from the discussions and provide an overview of next steps. Members of the TAG will be invited to jointly define the date for the second meeting of this group.



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