

# “Higher Education in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century: Global Challenge and National Response”

## NCS Midterm Meeting Cairo, Egypt. March 15-21, 2006

### Agenda

#### Wednesday, March 15

Arrive Cairo

Hotel: Nile Hilton  
1113 Corniche El Nil  
Tel +20-2-578-0444/578-0666  
Fax +20-2-578-0475

Transportation will be arranged from the airport to the hotel by AUC

6:00pm Informal Welcoming Reception (**Arousa Ballroom Terrace**)

8:00pm Dinner at hotel (**Arousa Ballroom**)

#### Thursday, March 16

7:30am Breakfast (**Rotisserie Belvedere Restaurant**)

9:00am Welcome and Midterm Objectives (**Amira Ballroom**)  
Philip Altbach and Patti McGill Peterson

9:30am Overview of Education Reform in Egypt  
Mohsen Said

10:30am Coffee Break

11:00am Plenary  
Progress Reports from Working Groups – Group Chairs

12:00pm Lunch (**Gawharat El Nile Ballroom**)

2:00pm Working Groups - meeting rooms:

WG I	<b>Amira</b>	WG IV	<b>Gawharat El Nile</b>
WG II	<b>Nile</b>	WG V	<b>Papyrus</b>
WG III	<b>Yasmina</b>	WG VI	<b>Rosetta</b>

5:00pm Sessions end

6:15pm AUC bus leaves Nile Hilton for Golden Pharaohs Boat

7:00pm-9:00pm Reception and Dinner hosted by AUC and the Fulbright Commission

## **Friday, March 17**

7:30am	Breakfast ( <b>Rotisserie Belvedere Restaurant</b> )
8:30am	Plenary ( <b>Amira Ballroom</b> )
10:00am	Coffee break
10:30am	Working Groups (same as on March 16)
12:30pm	Lunch ( <b>Arousa Ballroom</b> )
2:00pm	Working Groups
5:00pm	Plenary ( <b>Amira Ballroom</b> )
6:00pm	Session ends
8:00pm	Dinner at hotel ( <b>Ibis Café Restaurant</b> )

## **Saturday, March 18**

7:30am	Breakfast ( <b>Rotisserie Belvedere Restaurant</b> )
8:30am	Excursion to Pyramids
1:30pm	Barbecue hosted by Mohsen Said
4:30pm	Return to Cairo
8:00pm	Dinner at hotel ( <b>Arousa Ballroom</b> )

## **Sunday, March 19**

7:30am	Breakfast
8:30am	Working Groups meet (same as previously)
10:30am	Coffee Break
11:00am	Plenary ( <b>Amira Ballroom</b> ) Progress Reports from Working Groups – Group Chairs
12:30pm	Lunch ( <b>Gawharat El Nile Ballroom</b> )
2:00pm	Plenary ( <b>Amira Ballroom</b> ) Preparation for AUC symposium
5:00pm	Session ends
5:30pm	Excursion to Khan el Khalili Bazaar
8:00pm	Dinner at hotel ( <b>Da Mario Restaurant</b> )

**Monday, March 20**

7:30am Breakfast (**Rotisserie Belvedere Restaurant**)

8:30am Bus to AUC

9:00am – 4:30pm AUC Symposium on Higher Education

6:30pm Reception hosted by U.S. Embassy

Dinner on your own

AUC will provide recommendations within walking distance of the hotel, as well as escorts

**Tuesday, March 21**

7:30am Breakfast (**Rotisserie Belvedere Restaurant**)

Departures from Cairo