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"Egypt is now the hotbed of several ambitious megaprojects"

Interview with H.E. Khaled Galal Abdelhamid, Ambassador of Egypt to Germany, by Helene Rang



Cairo

Your Excellency, it is my distinct pleasure to have the honour to speak with you today. Egypt has for years begun the process of modernising and diversifying its economy. What are some of the current projects and efforts?

Egypt is now the hotbed of several ambitious megaprojects that are a key pillar of the economic reform programme and Egypt's Vision 2030. These projects aim to diversify the economy, enhance its recovery, increase its competitiveness, provide new job opportunities and attract foreign direct investments.

Of particular importance is the Suez Canal Economic Zone, which groups a number of industrial, technological and logistics zones over more

than 460 km². Other projects include the reclamation of 1.5 million feddans, the Benban solar park in Upper Egypt and the wind farms in the Red Sea region, a hydrogen cracking and refinery complex and the development of natural gas fields, the Grand Egyptian Museum and the National Museum for Egyptian Civilization in the field of tourism and culture, as well as Damietta Furniture City and Al-Robbiki City for Leather. Egypt is currently building 14 new cities, including the New Administrative Capital.

Where do you see Egypt's strengths and what sectors is the government planning to prioritise?

Egypt provides unique economic advantages, particularly its strategic location as the gate-

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