

Day 1: Wednesday April 22

Plenary Sessions



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Microcredentials and National Qualifications Frameworks

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| 08:30 | Registration | Student Program |
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| | Andalusite Hall | |
| 09:00 – 10:00 | Seminar and Panel New Beginning in Quality Assurance – Enabling Youth Mobility Across Africa <i>Hesham Abdelnasser (NAQAAE), Hussein Khater (NAQAAE)</i> <i>Panelists: Mohamed Ghanem (Benha U), Nermeen Saad (NAQAAE), Nermin Diab (NAQAAE), Wiebke Bachmann (DAAD), Yousra Mohamed (NAQAAE)</i> | |
| 10:00 – 11:00 | Opening Ceremony Welcome Remarks <i>Alaa Ashmawy (NAQAAE) International Partners Grand Mufti Government Ministers Azhar Representative Prime Minister Representative</i> Official Launching of Egypt National Qualifications Register and NQF-Egypt <i>Video: NAQAAE – Twenty Years of Education and QA Leadership</i> <i>Presentation: NQF-Egypt – Enabling Student and Graduate Mobility Across Borders</i> | |
| | | Zomoroda Hall |
| 11:00 – 12:15 | Keynotes Microcredentials and National Qualifications – The Role of Accreditors <i>Janet Engle (Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education – ACPE)</i> Microcredentials and National Qualifications: The Role of Labor Market Stakeholders <i>Rasha Sharaf (Education Development Fund)</i> | Workshop NB New Beginning for Quality Assurance of Education – NAQAAE Initiative <i>Hesham Abdelnasser, Hussein Khater</i> |
| 12:15 – 13:00 | Refreshments / Prayer Break | |
| 13:00 – 14:00 | Panel Internationalization of Education – New Perspectives in Transnational Education <i>Ragia Taha (NAQAAE), Ashraf Abdelbaset (UH-GAF), Daa Zein (Ain Shams U), Heba Alzein (British Council), Ismail Abdelghaffar (AASTMT), Salama Daoud (Azhar U)</i> | Workshop MC Lifelong Learning and Professional Development through Microcredentials <i>Yehia Samoly, Osama Saleh, Dalia Taha</i> |
| 14:00 – 14:45 | Panel Transforming Education Through Recognized Microcredentials <i>Jessica Silwick (ABET), Michael Milligan (ABET), Hoda Mostafa (AUC), Mohamed Abdelsalam (Siemens), Osama Saleh (NAQAAE)</i> | Workshop FN Financial Literacy for Young Professionals and Entrepreneurs <i>Mohamed Essam, Mohamed Sabri</i> |
| 14:45 – 15:00 | Coffee Break | |
| 15:00 – 15:45 | Panel New Qualifications, New Specializations: K-12 to Postgraduate <i>Sanaa Radi, Akram Hassan (MoETE), Ahmed El-Gioushy (MoHESR), Mahmoud Seddik (Azhar U), Salma Bakry (NCERI), Robert Parua (UNESCO)</i> | |
| 15:45 – 16:30 | Keynote Regional Qualifications Frameworks for Student and Graduate Mobility <i>Nadia Badrawi (ANQAHE)</i> | |
| 16:30 – 18:00 | Closing Session and Dinner | Awards Ceremony |
| 17:00 – | Gala Dinner – Sponsors and Guest of Honor, by invitation only | Closure |

Day 2: Thursday April 23

Parallel Sessions by Track

| 08:30 Registration | | | | |
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| | K-12 / Pre-University | Higher Education | Microcredentials and NQF | Professional Development and Lifelong Learning |
| | Loalqa Hall | Zomoroda Hall | Zahabia Hall | Solitaire 2 Hall |
| 09:00 – 09:45 | Panel Ethical Use of AI Tools in Education for K-12 Teachers <i>Asmaa Mostafa, Hosni Hashem, Hossam Hammad, Sayed Badrawi</i> | Keynote (Zomoroda Hall) Higher Education Reform in the Arab World <i>Amr Ezzat Salama</i> | | Panel Quality Assurance and Accreditation of Training Institutions and Programs <i>Attia Elsayed, Mona Abolezz, Rania Sharaan, Rosaline Michael</i> |
| 09:45 – 10:30 | Keynote Makeen.ed: An AI-Native Approach to Teacher Capacity Building in Arab K-12 Schools <i>Hossam Hammad</i> | Keynote Engineering Education for Lifelong Learning: The Power of Collaboration and Innovation <i>Michael Milligan</i> | Panel Stacking of Microcredentials – from Concept to Implementation <i>Osama Saleh, Maha Rashwan, Mohamed Emara, Mostafa Refaat</i> | Panel Professional Development and Lifelong Learning Opportunities in Cybersecurity and AI <i>Yehia Alsamoly, Khaled Abdelmohsen, Mohamed Abdou, Mohamed Shams-Eldin, Wael Badawy</i> |
| 10:30 – 10:45 Coffee Break | | | | |
| 10:45 – 11:30 | Panel Gosoor Initiative: Civil Society and Government Partnerships – Capacity Building and Resource Development for National Schools <i>Mervat El-Dib, Akram Galal, Hossam Badrawi, Mahmoud Hamza, Saber Hassan</i> | Panel International Accreditation – Accolade or Value-Added? <i>Hoda El Talawy, Sahar El Marsafy, Janet Engle, Maha Mourad, Nahla Belal</i> | Keynote A Legislative Road Map for Recognition of Prior Learning in Egypt <i>Ragia Taha, Ashraf El-Shihy, Mohamed Loutfi</i> | Panel Beyond Academic and Vocational Qualifications – New Educational Pathways and Tracks <i>Sherif Hammad, Adel El Badry, Al-Hussain Sharaf, Mohamed Abousteit, Sayed Bakry</i> |
| 11:30 – 12:15 | Panel STESSA – STEM Schools as a Model for Education Reform <i>Zeinab Elnaggar, Reda Abusrie, Safaa Shehata</i> | Keynote Internal Quality Assurance for Higher Education Institutions <i>Zeinab Amin</i> | Panel Integrating Medical and Health Board Certifications in the NQF <i>Somaya Hosny, Adel Adawy, Ashraf Hatem, Hussein Khaled, Mohamed Lotayef</i> | Keynote UNESCO Qualifications Passport – Enabling Continuing Education for Refugees Worldwide <i>Robert Parua</i> |
| 12:15 – 13:15 Lunch / Prayer Break | | | | |
| 13:15 – 14:15 | Seminar New NAQAAE Accreditation Standards for Pre-University Institutions – Part I <i>Asmaa Mostafa, Ahlam Elbaz, Amal El Shahat</i> | Panel Revising NARS in Alignment with Global Labor Market Demands <i>Soheir Shaarawi, Amr El-Mougy, Gamal Sousa, Mohamed Essam Khalifa, Magdy Abdelkader</i> | Panel Arabic and Islamic Studies Credentials and Qualifications – From Al Azhar to the World <i>Alaa Abdelghaffar, Nahla Al-Saeedi, Ragia Taha, Salama Daoud</i> | Panel Assessment Development and Design for International Professional Certification and Student Mobility <i>Hussein Khaled, Fatma Abu-Taleb, Hossam Ezzeldin, Osama El-Mahdy</i> |
| 14:15 – 16:15 | Seminar New NAQAAE Accreditation Standards for Pre-University Institutions – Part II <i>Asmaa Mostafa, Ahlam Elbaz, Amal El Shahat</i> | Seminar Developing ARS for Postgraduate Programs in Alignment with NQF Descriptors <i>Sanaa Radi, Azza Ezz Elarab, Hania Hamdy, Iman Hareedy, Madiha Wassef, Mona Hagrass</i> | Seminar Development of New Professional Qualifications – from Outcomes Mapping to Curriculum Design <i>Ragia Taha, Osama Saleh, Safaa Shehata</i> | Seminar ABET Accreditation and Recognition of Credentials <i>Jessica Silwick, Melanie Diaz</i> |
| 16:15 – 16:30 Closing Session (Zomoroda Hall) | | | | |
| | <i>Track Leader: Asmaa Mostafa</i> | <i>Track Leader: Sanaa Radi</i> | <i>Track Leader: Ragia Taha</i> | <i>Track Leader: Attia Elsayed</i> |