## **Information Statement:**

## The Shafik Gabr Fellowship - Fellows' Update Meeting



At the invitation of the Chairman of the Shafik Gabr Foundation, Mr. Shafik Gabr welcomed the Fellows to a gathering at ARTOC Headquarters in Cairo to reconnect, share personal and professional updates, and discuss ideas for future Fellowship activities.

Mr. Gabr opened the meeting by sharing highlights from his recent engagements, including a dinner with the President of Singapore, during which the Fellowship was discussed with hopes of expanding its reach across all continents. His remarks sparked great enthusiasm among Fellows for a more global network united by the spirit of dialogue and collaboration.

The Fellows then took turns sharing their latest achievements and experiences:

- Amr Seda, 2017: Expanding his alumni facilitation programs at BUE.
- **Lydia Kamiel, 2025**: Exploring collaboration opportunities with the Grand Egyptian Museum.
- **Amr Hesham, 2022**: Growing his food tour business, driven by Egypt's tourism boom.
- Mahmoud El Mekkawe, 2025: Learning piano as a new creative outlet.
- Nayra Gadallah, 2016: Visited the 10th of Ramadan Correctional Facility and was impressed by its education initiatives for inmates.
- **Dalia Younis, 2017**: Traveling to Saudi for work and is excited to discover the GCC for the first time.
- **Bassma Fahim, 2015**: Attended a conference on combating female abuse in Egypt, led by Fellowship speaker Dr. Marianne Azer.
- Youssef Emam, 2025: Became an Affiliate Member at AmCham Egypt, extended thanks to Mr. Gabr, and joined AUC Venture Lab as a guest lecturer.
- Kemp Goulden, 2015: Organized a baseball event for 80 orphans at AUC, introducing the sport to young children.
- **Ahmed Naguib, 2014**: Shared updates on his hyper-realistic sculptures and upcoming participation in the global Blender Conference in Amsterdam.

Mr. Gabr listened attentively to each Fellow's update, offering thoughtful advice and encouragement. He reminded everyone that "the two most important things in life are your family and the network you build around you." He emphasized that the Fellowship was created to serve precisely that purpose - to connect minds and hearts across borders, now 160 Fellows strong worldwide.

As the meeting wrapped up, Fellows engaged Mr. Gabr in a candid Q&A session, one question asked hypothetically where would he invest \$100,000 in 2026. With his infamous smile, Mr. Gabr replied, "The future is in data - data centers."