

# Amr Abdalla A. Attia

## B.Sc, M.Sc, Ph.D.

### EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Planning, University College London, 1999  
 M.Sc. in Economics, University College London, 1994  
 B.Sc. in Arch. & Urban Design, Ain Shams University, Cairo, 1991

### PROFESSIONAL HISTORY

07/2011 – Present  
 AECOM Arabia  
 Senior Project Manager

07/1991 – 07/2011  
 PUD Consultants  
 Vice President & CEO

09/1991 – Present  
 Ain Shams University  
 Associate Professor of Urban Planning

01/2000 - 12/2006  
 CUPUD (Consultancy Unit for Planning & Urban Design),  
 Ain Shams University  
 Managing Director

06/2002 – 05/2004  
 GEM (Grand Egyptian Museum),  
 Technical Committee Member

01/ 2002 – 06/ 2005  
 Arab Academy for Science, Technology & Maritime Transport,  
 Visiting Professor

02/ 1996 - 4/ 1997  
 BUJ Architects, London, UK.  
 Architect

12/1993 – 10/1994  
 University College London, DPU  
 Research Assistant

### AFFILIATIONS

Aspen Institute Alumni  
 Eisenhower Fellowships  
 Syndicate of Egyptian Engineers  
 UIA, Union of International Architects

Dr. Amr Attia is one of Egypt's leading academics and practitioners in the fields of architecture and planning. He has 20 years of academic experience as a Professor of Planning & Urban Design at **Ain Shams University**. Moreover, he has more than 20 years of professional & practical experience from working at **PUD Consultants**, which is a multidisciplinary & multinational design office that has successfully completed several planning & urban design signature projects in the Middle East and internationally since its establishment in 1966.

Amr has specific skills in strategic planning, visioning, design management, spatial planning of new and existing built environments & planning for sustainable development. This enables a strong contribution to the realization of urban development projects from conceptualization through spatial design, policy development and implementation. Amr's skills are complemented by teaching, consultation, project coordination and managing partnership projects between the government and the private sector.

Amr was the coordinator of the Technical Committee for Planning & Landscaping for the urban renewal schemes for the area surrounding the New **Grand Egyptian Museum** next to the Giza Pyramids and was involved in organizing and managing the International Architecture Competition of the museum which was sponsored by UNESCO & under the patronage of the UIA.

Amr was the **managing director** of the Consultancy Unit for Planning & Urban Design (CUPUD) of Ain Shams University from 2001 till 2006. He was actively involved in the preparation of strategic plans for Egypt's urban and rural settlements. He was the authorized representative of Ain Shams University in the implementation of the "National Programme for the Development of Rural Strategic Plans" which is a research action-oriented project sponsored by the General Organization for Physical Planning with technical cooperation from UN-HABITAT in over 400 Egyptian villages.

Amr has extensive experience in **training** where he has been giving short courses in urban planning and project management to professionals and municipality managers in Egypt and to SCECO's staff in Saudi Arabia.

Amr was selected as an **Eisenhower Fellow** in the Common Interest Program on the Challenges of Urbanization in which he visited more than 25 cities in the United States of America and attended extensive workshops and seminars with several decision makers, city managers, academics, developers and consultants. Later he was an active participant in the leadership seminar at the **Aspen Institute** in the US.

Amr is the co-founder of the K2C (Kansas to Cairo) project which is an on-line studio of architectural collaboration in the **Virtual Worlds** between Ain Shams University and USC (University of Southern California).

### AECOM Middle East Ltd.

Sr Project Manager, 07/2011– Present

With a PhD in planning for **sustainable tourism** from the University of London and a Masters degree in economics from the Development Planning Unit of **University College London** and a Bachelor degree in architecture & urban design from **Ain Shams University** in Cairo, Amr brings 20 years of professional and academic experience in urban planning, structure planning, master planning, strategic planning, sustainable development & project management.

Amr was the project director for several international projects and has extensive experience in managing regional & urban planning projects, structure planning in the context of urban renewal, strategic planning, master planning and tourism development planning.

Amr has been the senior stakeholders liaison for Jeddah's Stormwater Drainage Program (**JSDP**) and was involved in the preparation of the Concept Master Plans and infrastructure designs for 10 of Jeddah's unplanned settlements. He was also involved in the preparation of Jeddah's Spatial Framework Plan.

### **Ain Shams University, Cairo, Egypt**

Faculty Member, 09/1991 – 07/2011

Amr has been teaching at Ain Shams University since 1991 and became an associate professor in 2005. He has been teaching urban planning, urban design, and architectural design for undergraduates and post graduates. He also taught several modules such as Research Methodology, Policy Implementation, Analytical Studies for Urban Projects, and Sustainable Development; in addition to supervising Masters and Doctorate Dissertations in the fields of urban & regional planning, urban design, sustainable development and rural development. Amr has published several academic papers, articles and publications in specialized international journals and conferences' proceedings.

### **PUD Consultants, Egypt.**

Partner, 07/1991 – 07/2011

Amr has been working in PUD since 1991 and became the vice president and CEO in 2005. Amr was the principal master planner and the project director for several mega projects such as the regional vision and tourism development planning of the North West Coast region of Egypt (711km<sup>2</sup>), the New Najaf City in Iraq (30 million m<sup>2</sup>), the University of Islamic Sciences in Iraq (7.5 km<sup>2</sup>), Al-Aqeelah Oasis in Damascus (200,000m<sup>2</sup>), Om El Baneen Oasis in Najaf, Iraq (800,000m<sup>2</sup>), Maria Heights resort in Homs, Syria (500,000m<sup>2</sup>), Reflections mixed use complex (167000 m<sup>2</sup> GLA) in Sheikh Zayed city, Alex Gate mixed use master plan (2 million m<sup>2</sup>), Cairo Gate urban renewal project (900,000m<sup>2</sup>) and many other projects. Amr was also involved in the design of Marina El Alamein Tourist Center (1500 feddans along the Mediterranean coast), Marina Matrouh Tourist Complex (1000 feddans), Hilton Dahab in Sinai in addition to the design of several 5 stars hotels, sports centers, university buildings, shopping, residential and office complexes and water front projects.

### **KEY PROJECTS**

- Master Planning & Economic Study for the waterfront private property of HRH Prince Talal Bin Abdelaziz in Hurgada for the Kingdom Holding Company in association with AECOM.
- Regional Vision for the 1680km<sup>2</sup> North Coast region of Egypt and the Master Planning for the Fuka – Matrouh sub-region (711km<sup>2</sup>) in association with WEP, Germany & think-GDC, Seattle.
- Cairo Gate's master planning and urban renewal for the 900,000m<sup>2</sup> district in the center of Greater Cairo and upgrading of the existing mixed-uses including the Olympic stadiums, conference center, hospital and Fair Ground.
- Reflections mixed use complex, Sheikh Zayed City, Egypt in association with David Denton Architect.
- Urban Renewal of the Faculty of Agriculture Campus, Cairo University
- Master Planning for Homs International Airport City, Syria.
- Master Planning for Fao International Marine Port City, Iraq
- Al Aqeelah Oasis, Damascus, Syria.
- Maria Heights Tourist Complex, Homs, Syria.
- Om El Baneen Oasis, Najaf, Iraq.
- City of Knowledge & University of Islamic Sciences, Najaf, Iraq.
- New Najaf City, Iraq.
- Al-Aqeeq Marina, Al Khiran, Kuwait in association with HOK & OBD owned by Hydra and Al-Aqeelah
- Alex Gate mixed use Project, Alexandria, Egypt.
- El-Khamayel City - 6th of October, Egypt
- Strategic Planning for Tanta City, Gharbiya Governorate, Egypt.
- Strategic Planning for Mansoura City, Dakahleya Governorate, Egypt.
- AGPP (Alexandria Growth Pole Project), financed by the World Bank
- Evaluation of Schools Construction Programme in Gaza & the West Bank in Palestine, financed by the European Commission.
- Palm Beach resort - Riyadh Al-Nakheel Agra, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.
- Arab World Participation Galleries at the 56th Frankfurt Book Fair, Germany.
- Strategic Planning for Akyad Al-Bahariya Village, Awlad Seif Village & Balashone municipality in Sharkiya Governorate, & Kotamat Al-Ghaba Village, Abo Hamar Village, Senbo El-Kobra Village, and Shaheedy Village in Gharbiya Governorate, & Kafr El-Wekala Village in Qalyoubiya Governorate, & Kofoor El Ghab Village in Dumiat Governorate, & Kom Esho Villages, Beheira Governorate, Egypt.
- Marina Matrouh Tourist Complex, the North West Coast of Egypt.
- The Royal Oasis Residential, Shopping and Hotel Complex at Sheikh Zayed City, Egypt.
- Nahdet El Arab Tourism Complex, Ain El Sokhna, Egypt.
- Urban Renewal and Structure Planning for the surrounding areas of Magra El Oyoun (Aqueducts) in Historic Cairo
- Al Hashimi, Al kattan, Al Shirbini & al Zahem Hotels and Residential Complexes, Al Madina Al Munawara, Saudi Arabia.
- Marina Latakya, Syria.
- Marina Al Alamein Tourist Center, the North West Coast of Egypt.