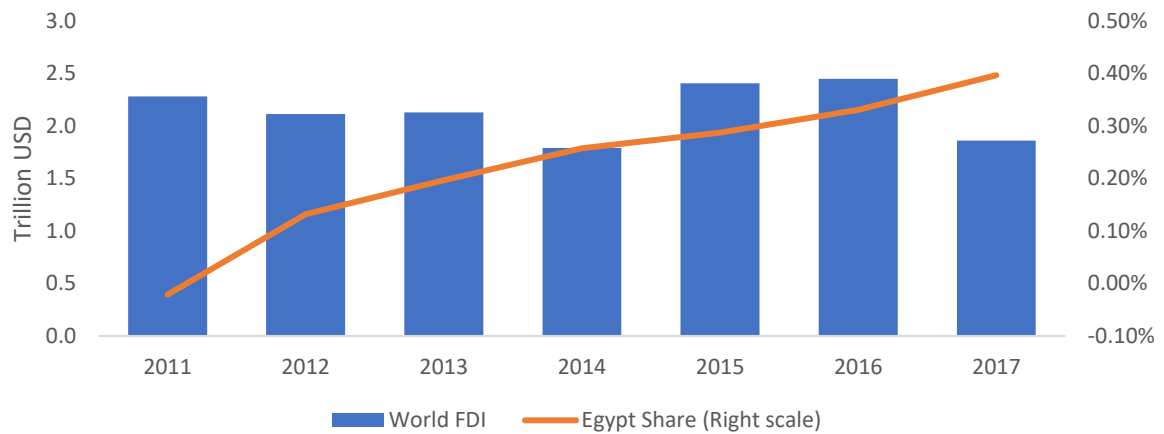


Despite the decline in global FDI, Egypt share from global FDI continued to increase (Figure 1). In fact, compared to peer countries in the similar income levels, Egypt is ranked 3<sup>rd</sup> worldwide in terms of share of FDI in 2017 (Figure 2). Furthermore, Egypt is the second biggest Arab country in share of FDI, after UAE, in 2017 (Figure 3). These results are a vote of confidence from international investors to the performance of the Egyptian economy and demonstrates the prudent and ambitious reforms undertaken by Egypt, particularly to enhance the business environment in the country.

Figure 1: Egypt’s share of the world FDI has been steadily increasing



Egypt ranks (3<sup>rd</sup>) highly among peers in terms of FDI share (2017)

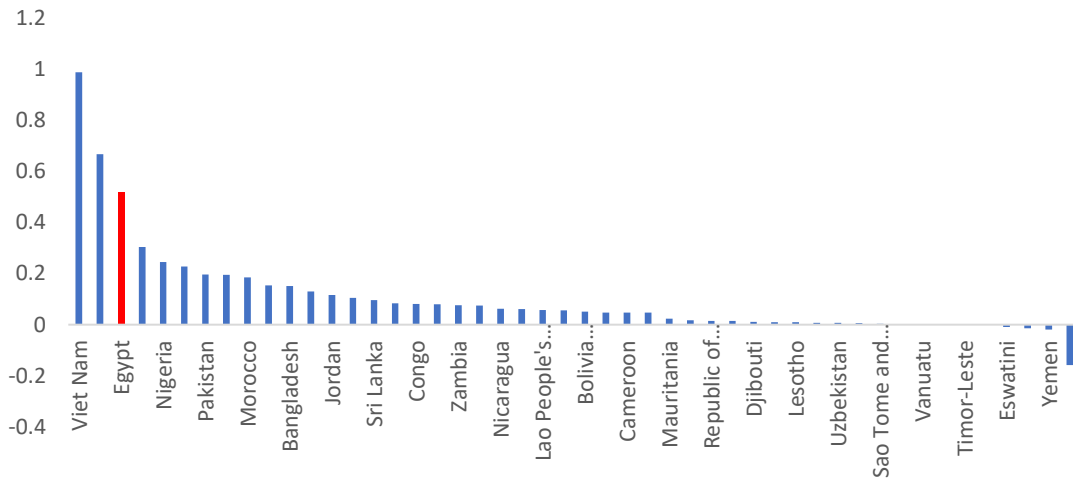
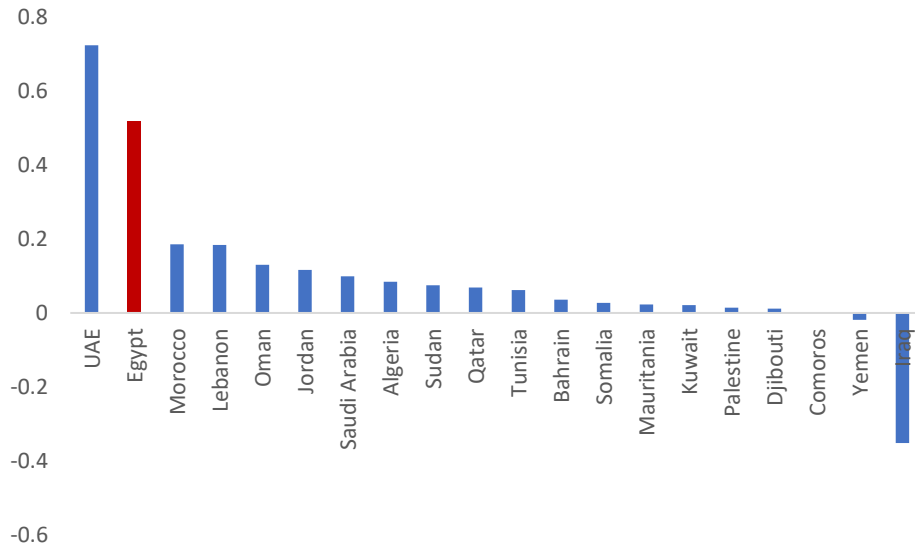
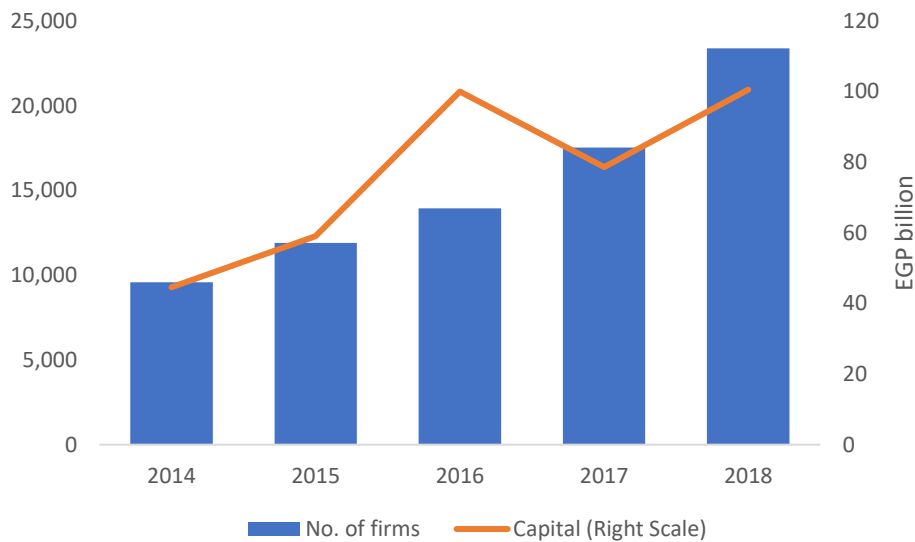


Figure 3: Egypt ranks 2<sup>nd</sup>, after UAE, among Arab nations in FDI share (2017)



The bold economic reforms undertaken and the continues development to the business environment and enhancement to the investment climate have borne fruits. The number of new firms entering the market and those expanding their investments have been increasing steadily (figure 4). In addition, investments made by those firms are also on the rise.

Figure 4: Investment boom evident through number of companies and their investments.



The investment policy adopted by Egypt is geared towards promoting investment in sectors with high value-added and technology oriented that contributes to both economic growth and job creation. Also, the Investment law and policy are designed to promote investments in lagging regions to raise the living standards in these regions.