



Press Release

A high-level Spanish business delegation to visit Cairo in September to discuss new trade and investment opportunities in Egypt

The Spanish Institute for Export and Investment (ICEX) along with the Spanish Economic and Commercial Office in Cairo are organizing the second edition of the "Egypt-Spain Multilateral Partnership Forum", which will be held in Cairo on 27th and 28th September 2022, at the Sofitel Gezira Hotel in Cairo.

This conference is considered the biggest Spanish event organized in Cairo since the visit of the Spanish Prime Minister to Cairo last December, during which a joint declaration of financial cooperation was signed between Egypt and Spain, for 400 million euros, to finance projects in Egypt.

The first edition, which was held in Cairo in March 2017, was very successful and fruitful, where more than 320 participants attended the conference, including: Egyptian Ministers, heads of Egyptian public institutions, the main International Financing Institutions present in Egypt and the executives of the biggest Egyptian engineering companies in the construction and infrastructure fields.

The "Multilateral Partnership Egypt-Spain" forum, in its second edition this year, is a clear message from the Spanish government confirming its continuous commitment to support the Egyptian economy and enhancing the bilateral economic and trade relations between the two friendly countries.

The two-days forum mainly targets companies working in the fields of: railway transportation, electricity renewable energies and water treatment. A carefully selected high-level Spanish business delegation from Spain's top pioneers in the fields of Transportation, Energy and Water, will participate to explore new trade and investment opportunities in Egypt and discuss partnership with Egyptian companies.

Over the two days, several seminars and panels will be held in the aforesaid three sectors, with representatives from the Egyptian government, public institutions, and the main international financial institutions in Egypt. The participants will give the Spanish delegation a thorough idea about the strategies of the Egyptian government in each sector and the main projects in the pipeline, to be executed during the next few years, in order to explore new investment opportunities and projects in Egypt and also create areas of cooperation between the Egyptian and Spanish companies.

On the first day, the "Transportation and Railway Sector" in Egypt will be covered. On the second day, discussions will revolve around the "Electricity, New and Renewable Energy Sector", as well as "Water Treatment and Sanitation". Following the seminars, bilateral business meetings will be held between the Egyptian and Spanish companies, to discuss partnership and means of cooperation in projects to be carried out in Egypt and funded by the international financial institutions and the Government of Spain.

The opening ceremony will be held on the morning of Tuesday 27th September 2022, at the Sofitel El Gezira Hotel in Cairo, in presence of several ministers as representatives of the Egyptian government and the main International Financing Institutions present in Egypt. On the Spanish side, Mrs. H.E. Xiana Méndez Bértolo, the Spanish Secretary of State for Trade, who accompanied the Spanish Prime Minister during his state-visit to Cairo last December, will be leading the Spanish business delegation, and will hold several meetings with some Egyptian Ministers, to discuss the bilateral relations between Egypt and Spain and means to enhance and foster the excellent joint ties between the two countries.

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