



Eng. Atef Helmy
Former Minister of Communications & Information Technology, Egypt
Chairman, Prime Business Consulting

With more than 40 years of solid experience in business and in communications & information technology, Eng. Helmy lead numerous executive management positions in three Fortune 100 companies, namely NCR/AT&T and Oracle in the United States, Europe, Middle East, and Africa, reaching the positions of Managing Director of NCR UAE, Managing Director of Oracle Egypt, and Chairman of Orange Egypt where he has these Organizations to tremendous success both in business and social impact. Eng Helmy contributed to the development of the digital society in Egypt and MEA as chairman of the Chamber of Communications & Information Technology, member of the American Chamber of commerce, founding member of the Arab Digital Economy Federation, Senior Advisor, Orange MEA and Ambassador of Orange to Smart Africa and through numerous positions on the Board of Directors and Board of Trustees of many organizations, institutions, universities, and NGOs.

In January 2013, Eng. Ate Helmy assumed responsibility as Egypt's Minister of Communications and Information Technology, where he chaired the Boards of the National Telecommunications Regulatory Authority (NTRA), the Information Technology Industry Development Agency (ITIDA), and the National Telecommunication Institute (NTI). He also chaired the Board of Trustees of the Information Technology Institute (ITI), the Technology Innovation and Entrepreneurship Center (TIEC), and oversaw the institutional development of Egypt Post.

Eng. Helmy was responsible for Egypt's transformation into the global digital economy, as envisioned in the National ICT Strategy 2013-2020.

In recognition of his efforts, professionalism and leadership, Eng. Helmy has chaired the World Summit for Information Societies (WSIS +10) high-level event in Geneva in June 2014 and was awarded the Golden Medallion from the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) for his active role in the developing countries specially Africa

In June 2015, the ACUD has recognized Egypt Digital Transformation Strategy as a role model for the Developing Countries.

In June 2017, Eng Atef has been nominated as the President of the General Assembly of Arab Federation for the Digital Economy responsible for the Membership and the Digital Transformation Strategy of the Arab World that was launched in Abu Dhabi in December 2018 under the patronage of HH Sheikh Mohamed Ben Zayed, Crown Prince, and the presence and support HH Shiekh Sief Ben Zayed, Deputy PM and Minister of Interior UAE.

Eng Helmy has supported many African Organizations in Africa including the African Union, Smart Africa and the African Development Bank and participated in many events and conferences to promote the Digital Transformation of Africa

It worth mentioning that the 2 nd AFICTA summit was held in Egypt in November 2013 under the auspices and full support Eng Helmy, Minister of Telecommunication of Egypt.

For ten years, Eng. Helmy honorably served in the Egyptian Military Force in the field of communications and information technology. Helmy holds a B.Sc. in Communication and Electrical Engineering (with Honors) from the Military Technical College in 1973, a Diploma in Computer Science from Ain Shams University in 1979, and a master's degree in IT from Ain Shams University in 1982.

Current roles:

- Chairman, Prime Business Consulting
- Board Member National Bank of Egypt
- Board Member, SAMENA Council
- Founding Member & President of the General Assembly, Arab Digital Economy Federation
- Founding Member, Egypt Fintech Association
- Honorary Member, American Chamber of Commerce
- Member, Board of Trustees, British University in Egypt
- Member, Board of Trustees, Beit El Zakat (Egypt House of Alms & Charity)
- Board Member, Al Mohandes Insurance
- Board Member, Al Hayat Insurance