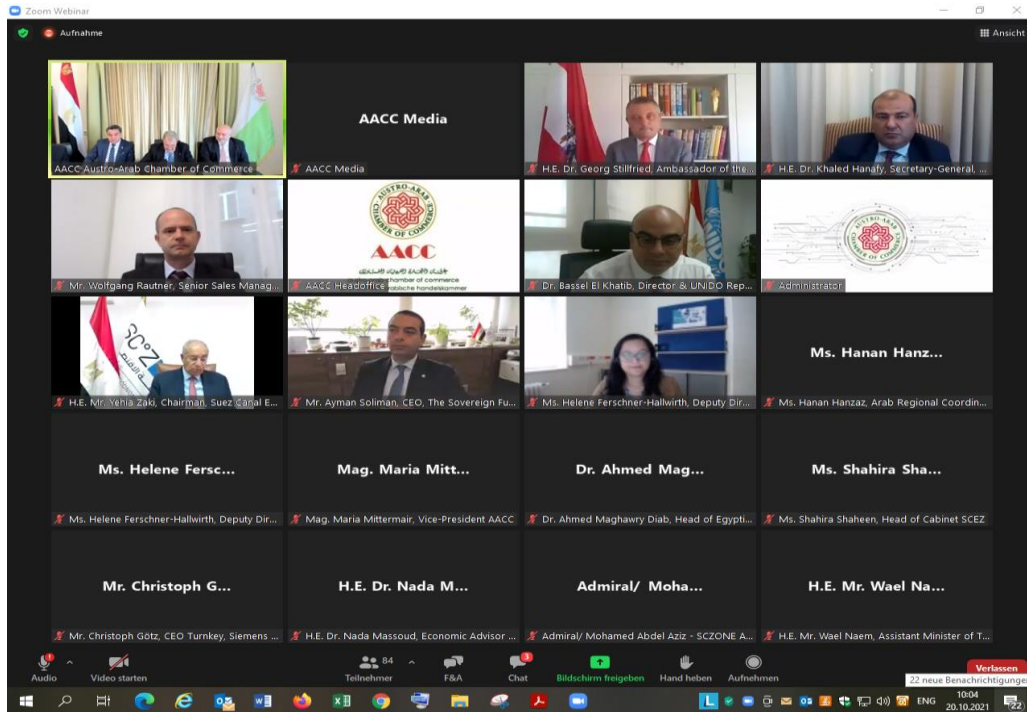
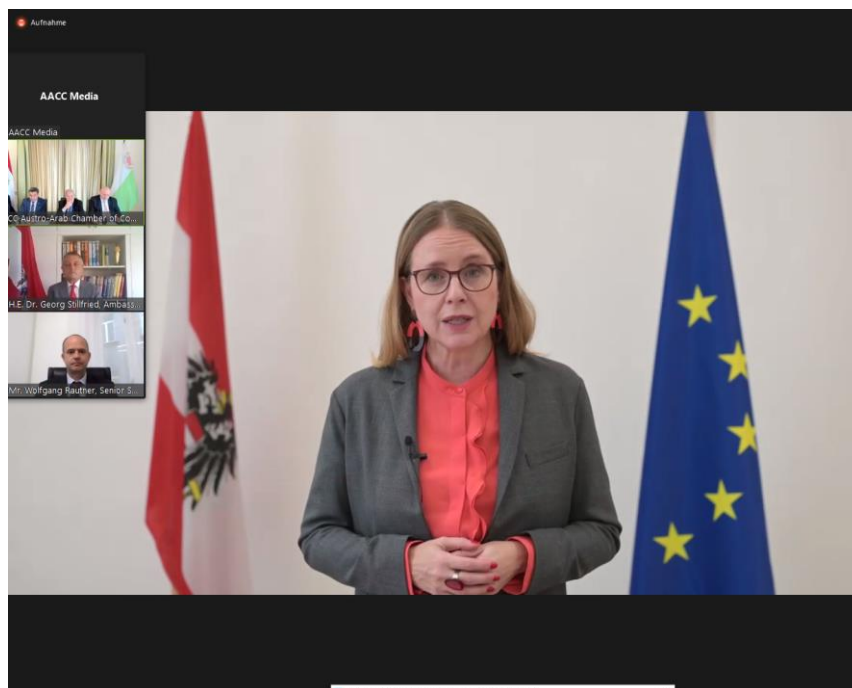


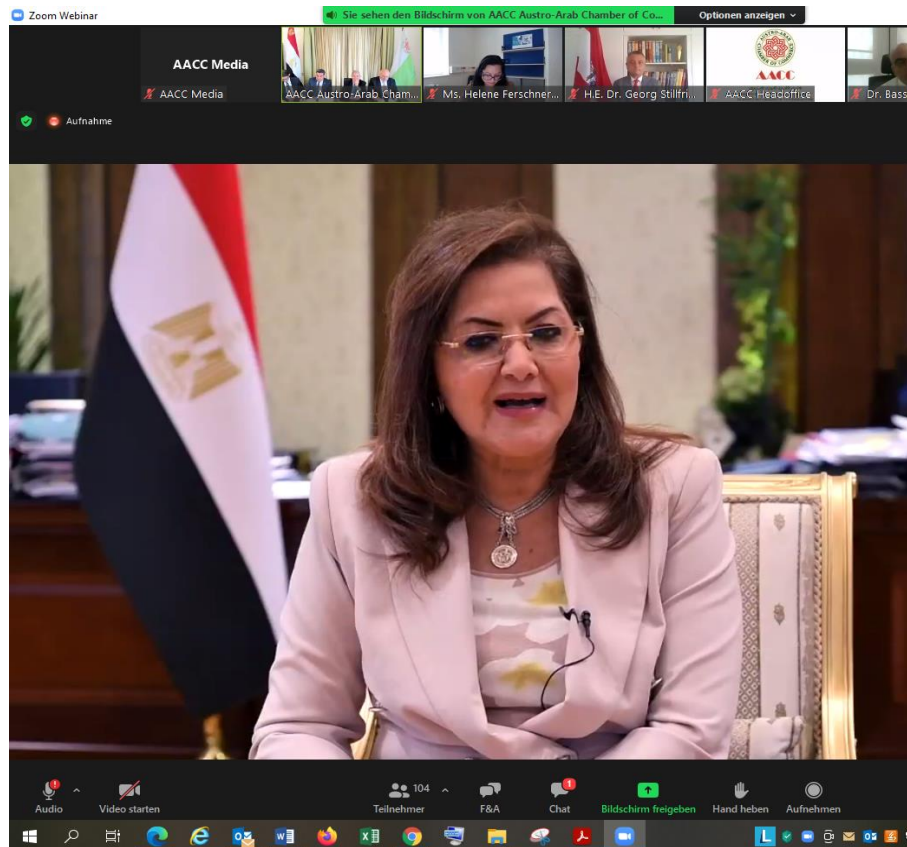
## Report: “12<sup>th</sup> Arab-Austrian Economic Forum” (Online Edition)



In cooperation with the distinguished **Embassy of the Arab Republic of Egypt in Vienna** and the **Union of Arab Chambers (UAC)**, the **Austro-Arab Chamber of Commerce (AACC)** held its “**12<sup>th</sup> Arab-Austrian Economic Forum – Online Edition**” on Wednesday, 20 October 2021. This year’s forum hosted the Arab Republic of Egypt as the Guest Country and was virtually attended by around 150 participants from across the globe.



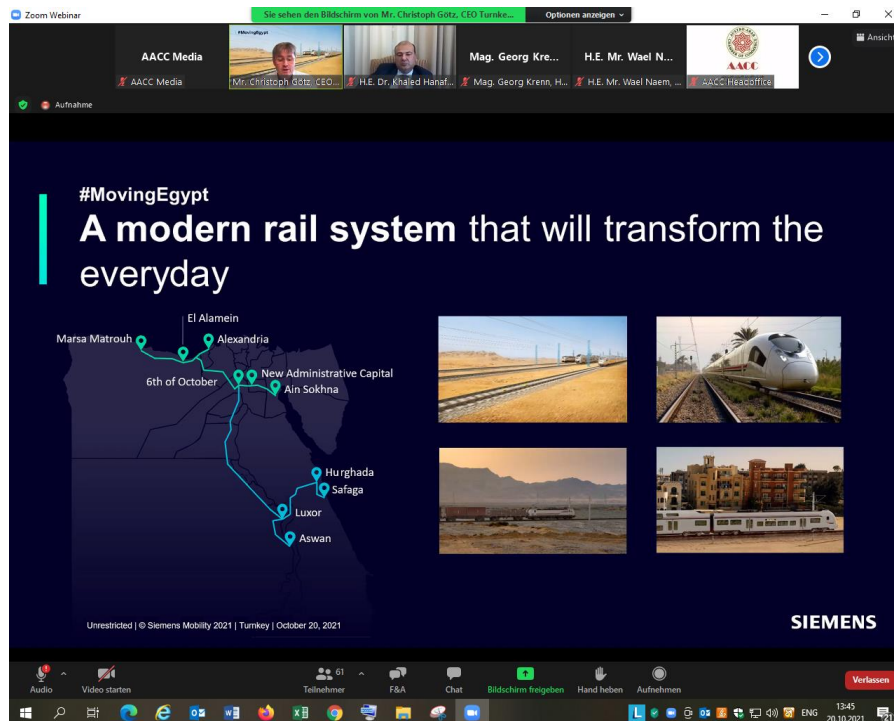
Featuring high-level officials and ministers, the forum presented an insight into the country's economic landscape and development and provided an outlook on investment prospects with special focus on Economy & Investment, Transport and Tourism. The forum also served as an interactive platform for thorough discussions on the plentiful scopes of cooperation and public-private sector partnerships among Austrian, Egyptian and international counterparts.



Welcome remarks and keynote speeches were delivered by H.E. Senator Dr. Richard Schenz, AACC President, Dr. Margarete Schramböck, Federal Minister for Digital and Economic Affairs of the Republic of Austria, H.E. Dr. Hala Elsaid, Minister of Planning & Economic Development of the Arab Republic of Egypt, H.E. Dr. Khaled El-Enany, Minister of Tourism and Antiquities of the Arab Republic of Egypt, H.E. Mr. Mohamed Hamdy M. Elmolla, Ambassador of the Arab Republic of Egypt to Austria, H.E. Dr. Georg Stillfried, Ambassador of the Republic of Austria to Egypt, and H.E. Dr. Khaled Hanafy, Secretary-General of the Union of Arab Chambers (UAC) and former Minister of Supply and Internal Trade of the Arab Republic of the Arab Republic of Egypt.



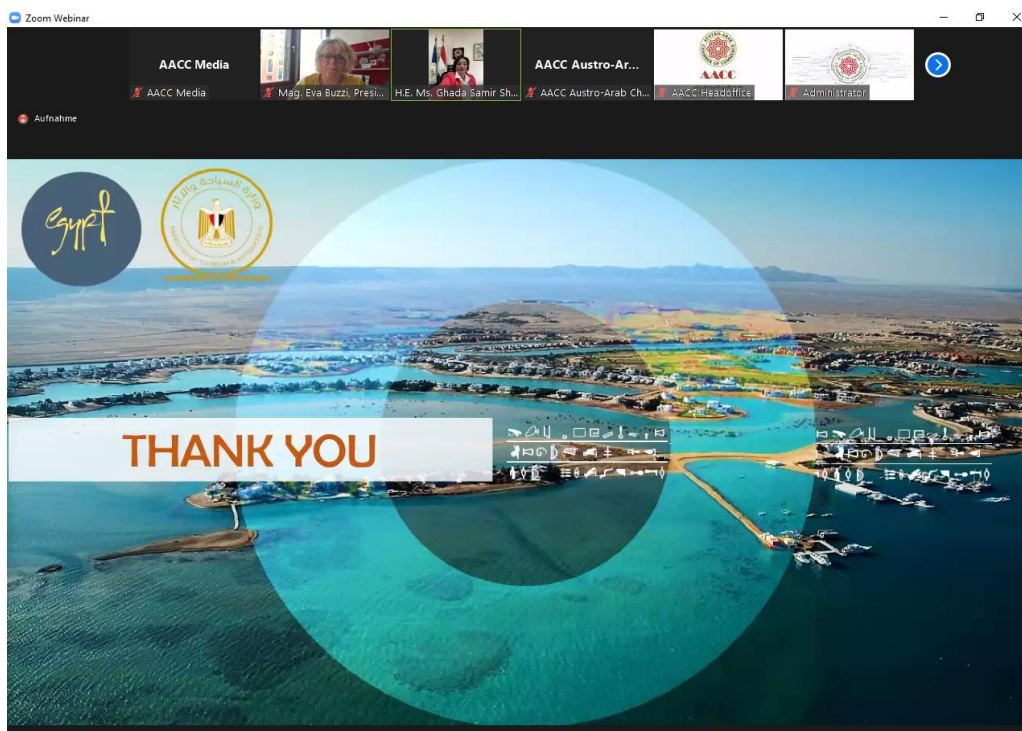
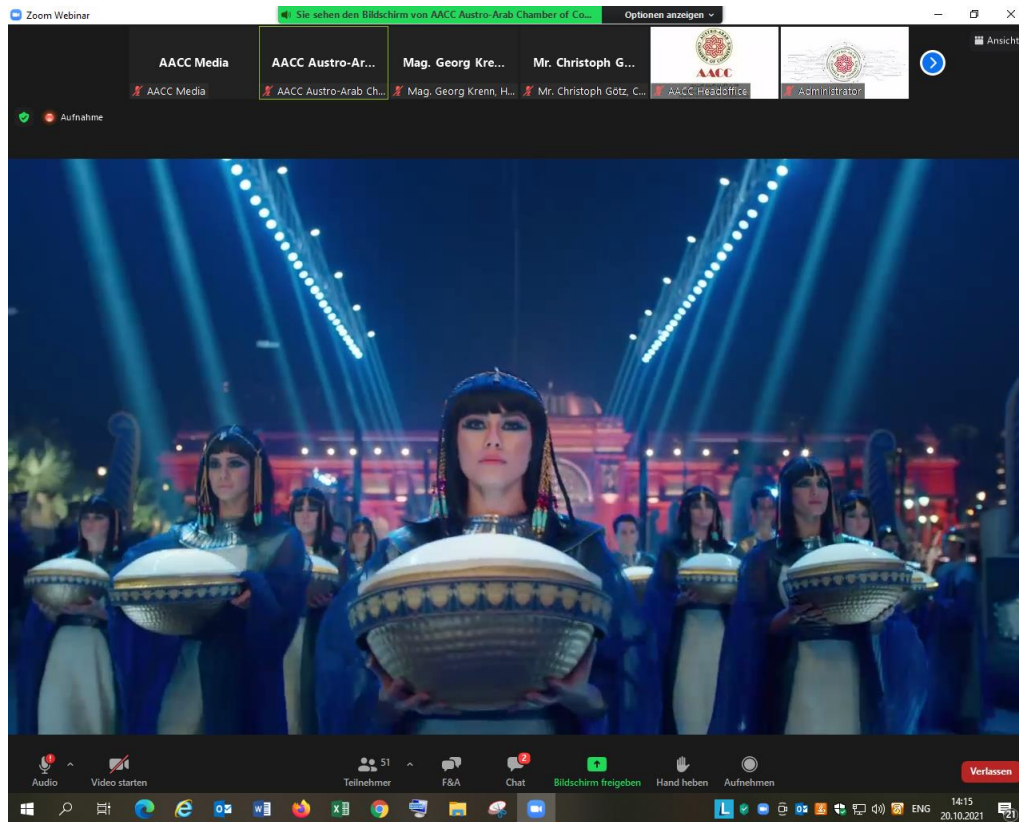
Among the panelists were high-ranking representatives of the following prominent institutions and companies: the Suez Canal Economic Zone (SCZONE), The Sovereign Fund of Egypt, the General Authority for Investment and Free Zones- Egypt (GAFI), the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO), the Industrial Development Authority-Egypt, the Egyptian Ministry of Trade and Industry, the Egyptian-Austrian Business Council, WKO - Advantage Austria Cairo, Siemens Mobility, Plasser & Theurer, THE Governorate of the Red Sea, the Austrian Travel Association / Österreichischer ReiseVerband (ÖRV), and Egyptair Airlines.



The forum's three sessions shed light on Egypt's economic landscape, the transport sector and the tourism sector respectively and were moderated by UNIDO'S Chief of Regional Coordination Division - Arab Region Ms. Hanan Hanzaz, UAC Secretary-General H.E. Dr. Khaled Hanafy, and AACC Secretary-General Mr. Mouddar Khouja respectively.



Moreover, the forum presented a number of testimonials and promotional videos pertaining to the sectors and topics around which the forum revolved.



\*N.B.: a more detailed report will be made available soon on our webpage:  
<https://aacc.at/pages/reports.html>