



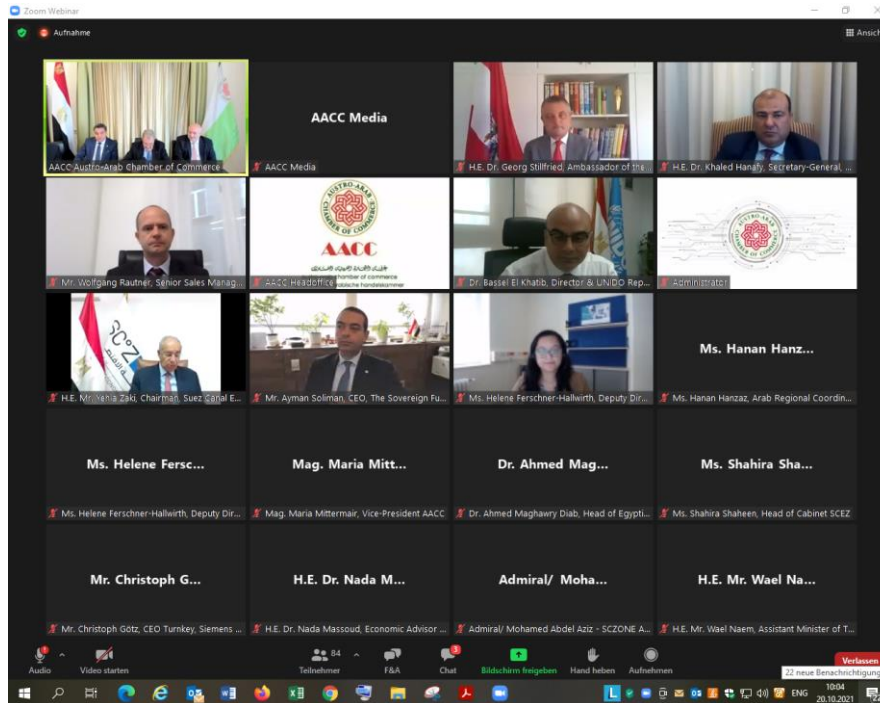
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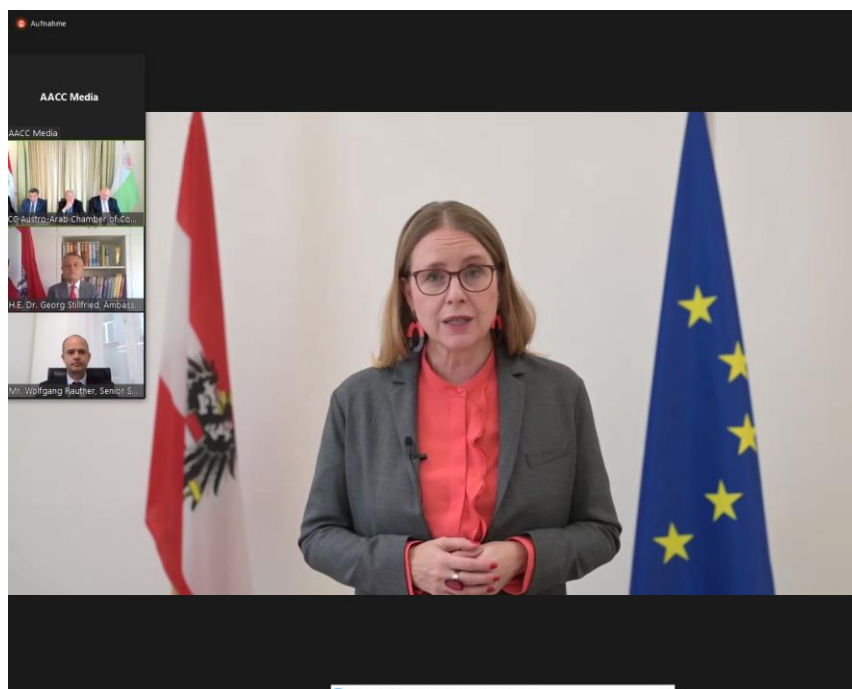
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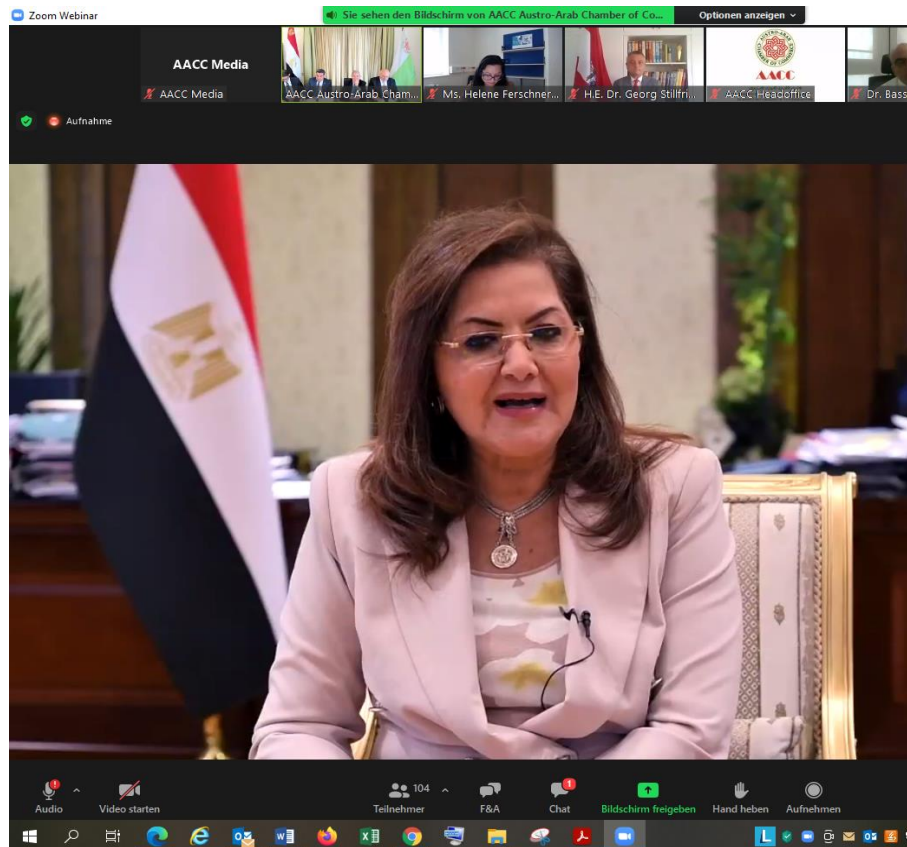
Report: “12th Arab-Austrian Economic Forum” (Online Edition)



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 “**12th 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.



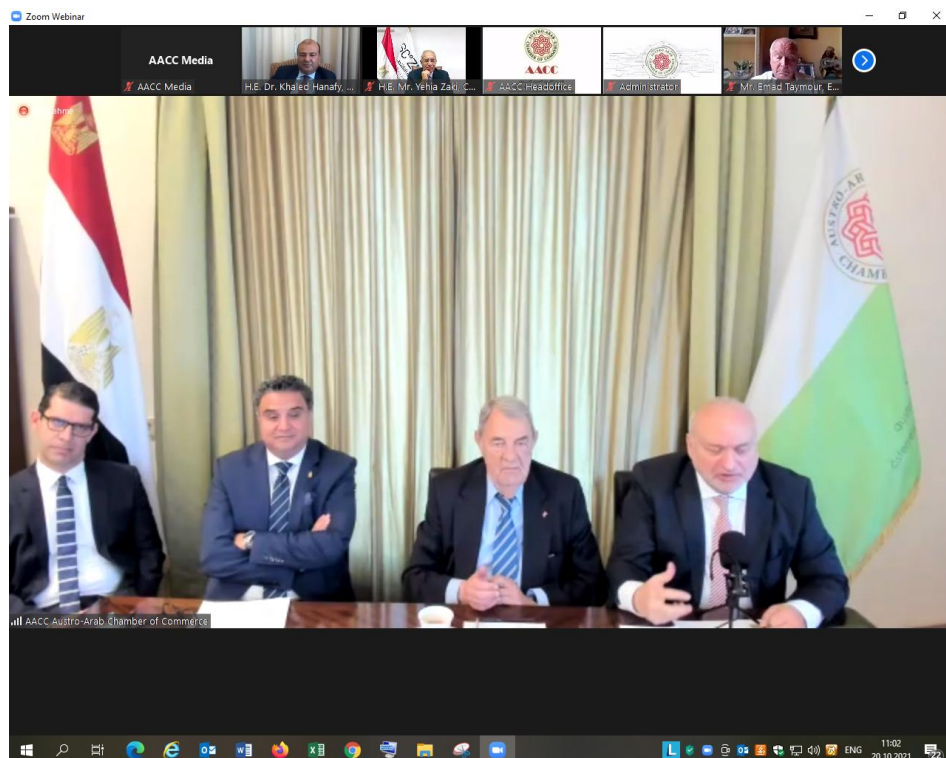
Featuring high-level officials and ministers, the forum presented an insight into the country's economic landscape and development and provided an outlook on investment prospects with special focus on Economy & Investment, Transport and Tourism. The forum also served as an interactive platform for thorough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



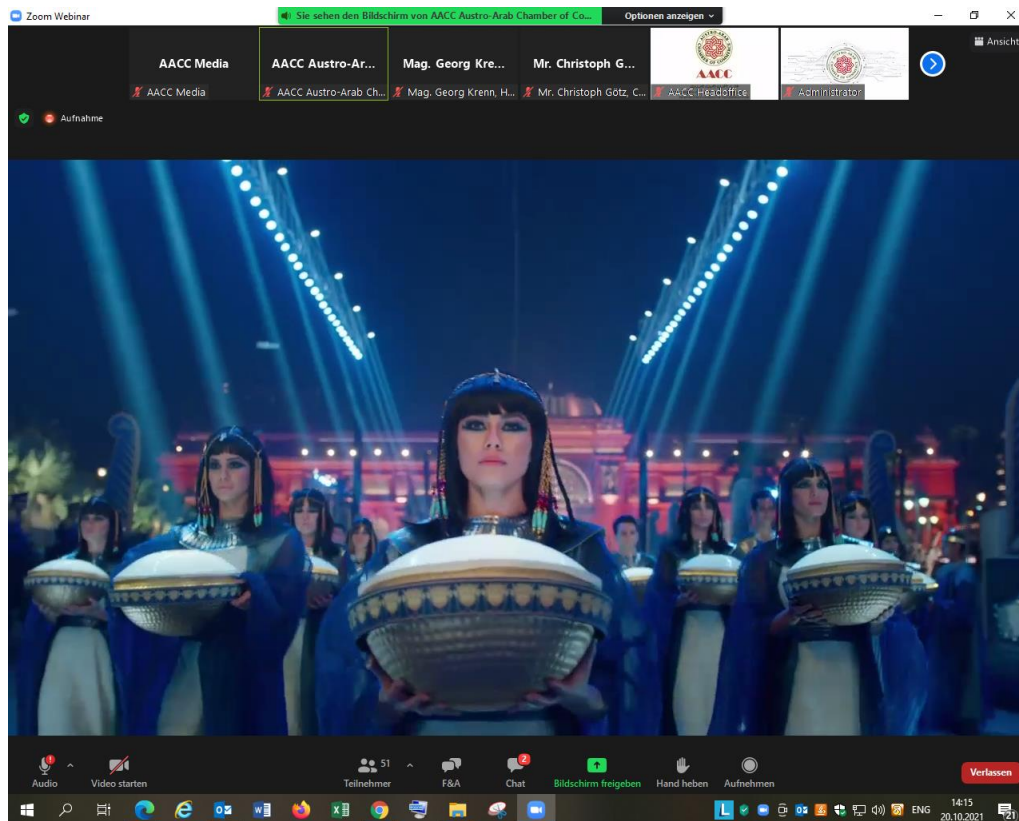
Welcome remarks and keynote speeches were delivered by **H.E. Senator Dr. Richard Schenz**, AACC President, **Dr. Margarete Schramböck**, Federal Minister for Digital and Economic Affairs of the Republic of Austria, **H.E. Dr. Hala Elsaid**, Minister of Planning & Economic Development of the Arab Republic 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, **H.E. Mr. Yehia Zaki**, Chairman of the Suez Canal Economic Zone, 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 Egypt.



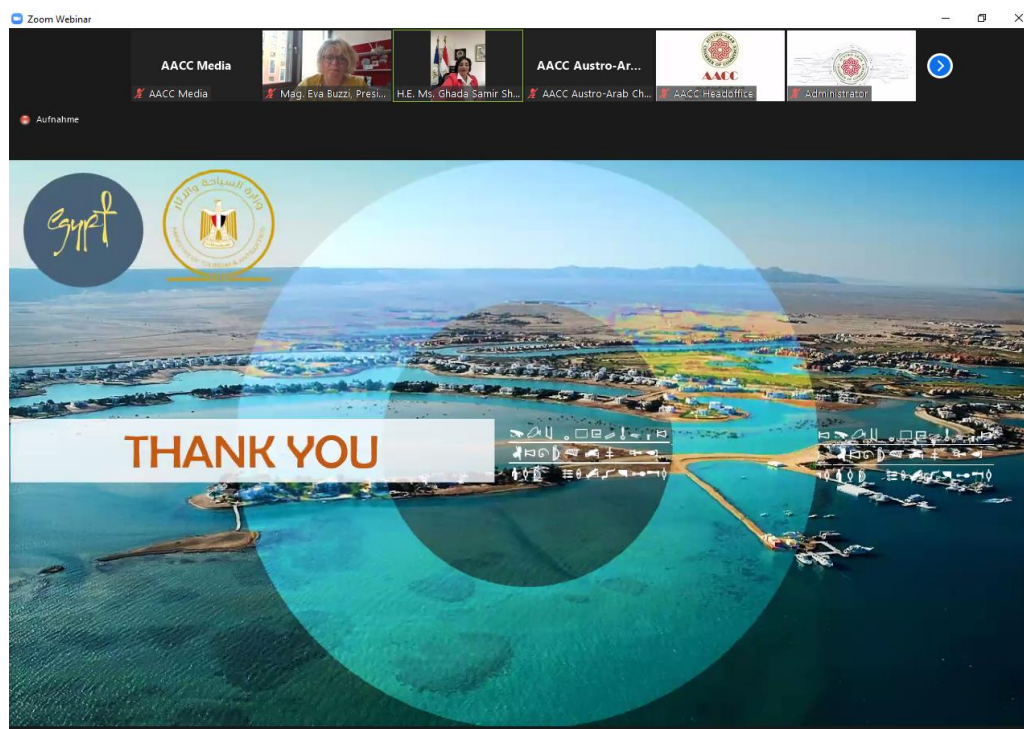
Among the panelists were high-ranking representatives of the following prominent institutions and companies: the **Suez Canal Economic Zone (SCZONE)**, The **Sovereign Fund of Egypt**, the **United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO)**, the **Industrial Development Authority - Egypt**, 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:*
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