



25th Current Research in Egyptology



Misr University for Science and Technology (MUST)

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Second Circular



Invitation

Dear Colleagues,

With the review process for all abstracts now complete and notifications sent to presenters, we are delighted to see the next *Current Research in Egyptology (CRE)* conference taking shape.

We are pleased to extend a warm invitation to early-career Egyptologists worldwide to join us for CRE 2025, hosted in Cairo from September 7–11, 2025. To assist with your planning, we are pleased to share this first conference circular with further details to follow in the coming weeks.

We eagerly anticipate welcoming you to Cairo for what promises to be an inspiring and collaborative gathering!

Best regards,

The CRE 2025 Organizing Committee
MUST



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Organising Committee:

Omaima El-Shal (Conference's President)

Omaima El-Shal is a professor of Egyptology (history, monuments, art, and literature). She got her MA and PhD from the University of Lille III, France. Now she is acting as the dean of the archaeology and tourism Guidance faculty, Misr University for Science and Technology (MUST). She is also working as a scientific collaborator at the French Institute for Oriental Archaeology, IFAO. She has been the head of the mission at Tabbet el-Gueish el-Sharqueyah at Saqqara (Egypt) since 2021 (MUST). She has participated in different Archaeological missions in Deir el-Medineh (Egypt), Kom el-Hitan (Egypt), Tell el-Herr (Egypt), Douai (France).

Khaled Hassan (Conference's Vice-President)

Khaled Hassan is an associate professor of Egyptology at Misr University for Science and Technology, specializing in hieratic texts (ostraca, papyri, and wooden tablets). He earned his Ph.D. from Cairo University and completed DAAD-funded postdocs at Johannes Gutenberg University, Mainz. He has held research positions at IFAO (2017–2020) and ARCE (2022). His work focuses on documenting and

Marwa Abd El Hameed Soliman

Marwa Soliman is an Egyptologist and assistant professor at Mansoura University, as well as Misr University for Science and Technology, specializing in ancient Egypt and the Near East. She has contributed to major conferences like *Current Research in Egyptology* and participated in excavations, including the German-led Buto mission. Her research spans political conflicts, Libyan influences on Egypt, and buffer zones in the New Kingdom. She also fosters academic collaboration as a coordinator between Mansoura and Hazarah University, Pakistan. Marwa also contributes to journals like "Pakistan Heritage" and serves on the editorial board of the Journal of Asian Civilizations.

Dr. Fatma Mohamed Amin Fowzy

Lecturer, Tourism Guidance Department, specializing in 19th and 20th-century Egyptian history, Dr. Fatma Fowzy explores the cultural, political, and social



transformations that shaped modern Egypt. Her research focuses on visual heritage, archival studies, and the intersection of tourism with historical memory. Through her academic work, she seeks to enrich the understanding of Egypt's modern legacy and its representation in historical narratives. A dedicated educator, she combines scholarly rigor with a passion for guiding students in interpreting Egypt's complex historical landscape.

Sherif Ashraf El-Hagag Saeed

Assistant Lecturer, Department of Islamic Archaeology – Egypt University for Science and Technology, Sherif is an academic and archaeologist specializing in Islamic architecture. He holds an excellent grade master's degree from Fayoum University and has contributed to multiple archaeological excavations and fieldwork missions at historic sites. Actively engaged in academia, he has participated in organizing international and local conferences. His expertise spans archaeological research, heritage documentation, and academic collaboration, making him a valuable contributor to fieldwork and scholarly discourse.

Mohamed Hisham Mohamed Kamal

Assistant Lecturer, Department of Islamic Archaeology – Faculty of Archaeology and Tourism Guidance, Egypt University for Science and Technology Mohamed Hisham holds an excellent-grade master's degree in Islamic Archaeology (Islamic Architecture specialization) from Fayoum University. With academic and administrative experience since 2019, he has actively contributed to quality assurance committees, scientific activities, and student initiatives. He has participated in numerous archaeological excavations and international conferences and has completed specialized academic research and publishing training. Skilled in teaching and organization, he combines fieldwork expertise with a commitment to advancing archaeological education.

Ahmed Hossam

Member of Multiple Archaeological Missions (Russian Mission in Giza, French Mission in Deir el-Medina, and Misr University Mission in Tabbet el-Gish, Saqqara) Holding a master's degree from Tanta University, this researcher specializes in minor



arts through archaeological discoveries in the central Delta region, including sites such as Buto, Sais (Sa el-Hagar), and the Quesna cemetery. Their work bridges material culture studies with broader historical narratives, contributing to ongoing excavations and heritage documentation efforts.

Huzaifa Magdy Ahmed

Huzaifa is a teaching assistant at Misr University for Science and Technology (MUST). He is also a PhD candidate in the Faculty of Archaeology - Ain Shams University. He is a member of the mission of the IFAO at Deir El-Medina, the German Egyptian French mission in Kom-Ombo temple, and the MUST mission in Western Tabbet El Guesh – Saqqara.

Makrina Mounir

Teaching assistant at Misr University's College of Archaeology and Tourism guidance, and a PhD candidate with an MA in Coptology. Her thesis explored Saint John the Baptist in Coptic art (12th–18th Centuries). She joined the IFAO Mission in Deir El Medina (2024) and co-organizes LYF (2021–present). Her work highlights Coptic art's historical and artistic evolution.

Emad Mohamed El-hosary

Public Relations Coordinator, Faculty of Archaeology and Tourism Guidance at MUST. He also M.A. student in the Faculty of Archaeology- Fayoum University in Egyptology, Site Management and Sustainable Development. Dedicated Member of the French Mission at the Deir El-Medina Site, Luxor, season 2023-2024.

Ahmed Farag Abdelwahed

Ahmed is a Teaching Assistant in Tourism Guidance at MUST University, blending 7 years of tour guiding expertise with academic research. He has presented at international conferences like CIGESTUR 2024 and ISCET 2025 and published on cupping therapy in EMERALD. With prior HR leadership experience, he is currently



completing his thesis on “Surgical Instruments between both Kom Ombo Temple Pansel and El Zahrawi Manuscript 'Al-Tasrif Li-Man 'Ajiza 'An Al-Talif' comparative study” at the Faculty of Tourism and Hotels, Helwan University.



Scientific Committee:

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Conference Venues

Sunday, 7 September – Opening Day

- Registration & first two Keynote Lectures
Opera House, MUST Campus

Conference Sessions (7–11 September)

- Academic Sessions, Poster Presentations, a Welcome Reception, and coffee Breaks at *the Faculty of Archaeology and Tourism Guidance*.

Closing Day

- Keynote lectures & Closing Ceremony, and Annual General Meeting (AGM)
Conference Hall, MUST Campus.

Distinguished keynote speakers will honour us with their presence:

Dr. Zahi Hawas

Dr. Emad Khalil

Dr. Hisham El-Leithy

Dr. Tarek Tawfik

Dr. Ali Abdel-Halim Ali

Presentation Formats

Oral presentations have two different formats: the standard presentations of 20 minutes, and short talks of 10 minutes.

For 20-minutes and 10-minutess presentations will be followed by a 5-minutes discussion, before a 5-minute break to allow participants to move between the different rooms. There will be three parallel sessions taking place, and each session will feature either three or four talks

Presented posters must be printed in the A0 format (118.9 x 84.1 cm) and with a vertical orientation only. Additional design choices are left at the discretion of



the presenters, but the poster must contain the name, affiliate institution, and contact details of the author(s). If desired, the organisers can print posters at the MUST

Logos of the CRE and Misr University for Science and Technology (MUST), accompanied by the headline “CRE 2025-Misr University for Science and Technology MUST 7th-11th September 2025” (both logos can be downloaded from the CRE website). The logo of the conference was designed by Khaled Hassan.



Registration and Payment

Join Us at the Conference!

Secure your spot today by registering for the conference and optional activities.

Registration Fees

- **Standard In-Person Attendance: \$80**
 - Covers access to all keynote sessions, conference events, the opening reception, and a conference kit.
- **Speakers:**
 - International Speakers: \$80
 - Egyptian Speakers: EGP 2,500
- **Attendance without presentation**
 - International Attendees: \$35 (Payment link will be announced in the Third Circular)



-Egyptian Attendees: EGP 1,250 (Payment link will be announced in the Third Circular)

- o Fees include access to all keynote sessions, conference events, the opening reception, coffee breaks, and a conference kit.

Exciting Add-Ons

1. Trip to the GEM

- a. *Pre-registration required.*
- b. *Extra payment (ticket to the Museum)*

2. Guided Excursion – \$33

- a. Explore Alexandria
- b. *Pre-registration required.*

3. Gala Dinner – \$30 (or equivalent in EGP for Egyptians)

Join us for an evening of networking, celebration, and camaraderie at Andrea El Mariouteya, New Giza as we bring the CRE 2025 community together in style!

⌚ Limited seats available - secure your spot early!

Do not miss - reserve your place today and prepare for a memorable night in Cairo!



How to Register

- Complete your registration via the official Google Form Link:
<https://forms.gle/DMjRH6uu9JueNiRy5>
- Payment Links: Make payments securely using the links below:
 - Conference Fee (Non-Egyptian): Pay Here:
https://accept.paymobsolutions.com/standalone?ref=p_LRR2YzFKc0s3NzFTcjhvRmJ4anE5V3JwZz09X3hhdVgyM0FNNVdrT2h6QVdBWFRjWHc9PQ
 - Conference Fee (Egyptian): Pay Here:
https://accept.paymobsolutions.com/standalone?ref=p_LRR2aDlIUHFlaDVEdEJwYTFNWFpCL3hxdz09X3NPeVBzUngrZEJuQkwxQ01hSGZpS1E9PQ
 - Excursion: Book Now:
https://accept.paymobsolutions.com/standalone?ref=p_LRR2aytEdldBSm5aMVI5RkUrbFZSdjZYQT09X1p6SGRuckF1NDNzM2N5ZVNiSDZsbXc9PQ
 - Gala Dinner (International): Reserve:
https://accept.paymobsolutions.com/standalone?ref=p_LRR2Mm5XRGh1WGMxMTR3MIB0SkJYQ253UT09X29vZWZkbWxHUDQ3aitWYU5acHhmL3c9PQ
 - Gala Dinner (Egyptian): Reserve:
https://accept.paymobsolutions.com/standalone?ref=p_LRR2OU9GeE95ZENMYWFuTEILTzNTdjE2QT09X1d5MCtFQkV5cW43K29DWThPMUJZNWc9PQ
 - "After payment, **upload your receipt** in the Google Form to complete your registration. Here's the link:"
<https://forms.gle/x31u9bpdksQHTD1v8>
- **Key Notes:**
- **Speakers must complete payment by July 25, 2025**
- **General attendees (non-speakers) can register later—payment details will be shared in the Third Circular.**
- **Questions?**
For any inquiries, please contact our organizing team at:
CRE2025@must.edu.eg
We're happy to assist you.



Visa:

"International participants are advised to verify their home country's entry requirements ahead of time. If a visa is needed, please contact the nearest Egyptian embassy or consulate or check the official visa requirements here: [Egypt Visa Requirements](#)."

You can Check Eligible Countries for Egypt e-Visa here,
<https://www.egyptsevisa.org/eligible-countries-for-egypt-e-visa>

We are pleased to supply any documents or correspondence you may need from the CRE Cairo Organizing Committee.

Travel to the 6th of October City

- **Arrival by Flight:**

For attendees arriving at Cairo International Airport or Sphinx Airport, you may use ride-hailing apps like Uber for private transfers.

- **Getting Around Cairo:**

Further details on public transportation options within Cairo will be shared in the upcoming 2nd Circular.

Excursion Activities

After one conference day, we will organize a visit to the Grand Egyptian Museum (GEM). This is an optional activity where participants will only need to pay for their museum entrance ticket, while we will provide transportation to the museum.

Following the conference closing session on *Thursday, 11 September*, join us for an excursion to Alexandria. Explore Bibliotheca Alexandrina and the city's rich history and cultural landmarks while enjoying a relaxing conclusion to the event.



Locations for the Conference

Al-Motamayez District – 6th of October, Egypt

<https://maps.app.goo.gl/y4yZ8vX547K2e1jd9>

Main Event Locations:

- **Registration & Opening Ceremony:**

Opera House, Misr University for Science and Technology (MUST) Campus

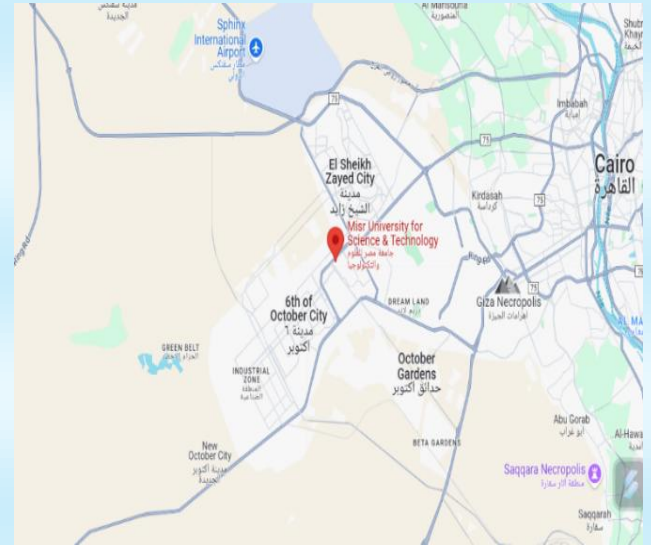
- **Conference Dinner:**

Andrea El Mariouteya, New Giza

📍 Address: مبنى التصميم الميكانيكى الجديد, New Giza Rd, First 6th of October, Giza Governorate 3293400.

📍 Location:

https://www.google.com/maps/@29.9984376,30.9584006,12z?entry=tту&g_ep=EgoyMDI1MDcxNi4wIKXMDSOASAFQAw%3D%3D



Map of 6th of October City with the conference venues marked.

Accommodation options

University Residence (Available for Female Attendees)

The Organizing Committee has arranged comfortable and secure accommodation at the university's girls' residence, featuring:

- Private bathrooms in all rooms
- Shared living and dining areas
- Fully equipped communal kitchen
- 24/7 security

Room Options:

- Shared room: \$30 per bed/night (2 beds per room)
- Private room: \$60 per night



Additional Details:

- Prime location near conference facilities
- Clean, well-maintained facilities
- Pictures available below

To reserve your accommodation, please email the Organizing Committee with your requested dates and room preference.



Hotels in 6th of October City

The city offers a wide range of lodging options, including hotels, hostels, and Airbnb rentals. Below are some recommended choices:

Budget-Friendly (3-Star Hotels)

- **Villa 14 Suites**

 [Book on Booking.com](https://www.booking.com/hotel/eg/villa-14-suites.ar.html?label=eg-al-jizah-) <https://www.booking.com/hotel/eg/villa-14-suites.ar.html?label=eg-al-jizah->

- **Dream House**

 [Book on Booking.com](https://www.booking.com/hotel/eg/dream-house-first-6th-of-october.en-gb.html?aid=356980&label=gog235jc-) | [TripAdvisor Reviews](#)

- <https://www.booking.com/hotel/eg/dream-house-first-6th-of-october.en-gb.html?aid=356980&label=gog235jc->

- https://www.tripadvisor.in/Hotel_Review-g8363967-d27672809-Reviews-Dream_House-6th_of_October_City_Giza_Governorate.html



- **Villa 55**

🔗 TripAdvisor Reviews https://www.tripadvisor.com/Hotel_Review-g8363967-d23623565-Reviews-Villa_55-6th_of_October_City_Giza_Governorate.html

Premium Options (4-Star Hotels)

Royal Day Plaza

🔗 Official Website: <https://royaldayplaza.com/>

Novotel Cairo 6th of October

🔗 Book via Accor: <https://all.accor.com/hotel/3359/index.en.shtml>

Special discount rates for conference attendees will be announced in the 3rd Circular.

Save the Date!

The third Circular, along with the conference programme, will be available by 15th August 2025.

For further questions, please contact us at: CRE2025@must.edu.eg

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<http://cregyptology.org.uk/>

<https://www.facebook.com/CREgyptology>

<https://www.instagram.com/cregyptology/>

<https://X.com/CREgyptology>

