



The Egyptian Organization for Human Rights

PROGRAMME



**Workshop**  
**Egypt: The Elections Framework – Priorities for Reform**  
**Shepherd Hotel - Gawaher room,**  
**4 December 2006**

**08.30-09:00 Registration of Participants**

**First Session: Introductory and Keynote Speeches**

09:00 ***Opening Address and Introduction of the DRI-EOHR Election Project***  
Mr. Michael Meyer-Resende for DRI  
Hafez abu Seada for EOHR

09:30 ***Reforming the Electoral System***  
Dr. Mofid Shehab ,Minister of Legal and parliamentary Affairs  
Dr. Yahia el Gamal , Prof at Cairo University  
Dr. Ali el Din Helal , Prof at Cairo University

**10:00 – 10:30 Coffee Break**

10.30 **Second Session: The Election System and Issues of Representation**

- \* ***The Relevance of the Elected Institutions in Political Life***
- \* ***The Election System***
- \* ***The Equality of the Vote and representation***

Moderator: Dr. Ebrahim Darwesh – Prof at Faculty of Law  
Speaker: Dr. Gehad Owda – NDP party  
Speaker: Hossen Abdel Razek – El Tagamo'a party  
Discussant: Dr. Nils Ohlendorf - DRI

11.00 **Discussion**

**12.00-13:30 Lunch**

13:30 **Third Session: Administration and Participation**

- \* *The Election Administration*
- \* *Voter Registration*
- \* *Candidate Registration*

Moderator: Dr. Osama el Ghazali Harb – Chief Editor of International Politics at El Al Ahram Center

Speaker: Mr. Amr Hashim Rab'a – Political expert at El Ahram centre

Speaker: Dr. Hamdi Hasan - Member of Parliament

Discussant: Mr. Paul O'Grady - DRI

14:00 **Discussion**

**15:00 – 15:30 Break**

15:30 **Forth Session: Ensuring Integrity and Transparency**

- \* *Election Observation*
- \* *Competition and Access to public media*
- \* *Electoral Safeguards (Voting, Counting and Results)*
- \* *The Role of the Judiciary*

Moderator: Dr. Daa Rashwan - Political expert at El Ahram centre

Speaker: Mr. Hesham el Bastawisi – Vice president of the Court of Cassation

Speaker: Mr. Bahi el Din Hassan – Director of Cairo institution for Human Rights Studies

Discussant: Dr. Nils Ohlendorf - DRI

16:00 **Discussion**

17:00 Towards a new Exercise of Political Rights Law ( Round Table)

18:00 **Fifth Session: Conclusions - Reform Priorities and Implementation**

Mr. Hafez Abu Seada - EOHR

Paul O'Grady - DRI

**18:30 Close**