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Public Lecture

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Knowledge sharing for global development – Building up new partnerships

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The World Bank is positioning itself as a knowledge institution – not just a lending bank – by creating, sharing and applying knowledge for development. It recently published its most comprehensive report on the topic, "Knowledge for Development". The report recognizes that knowledge, not financial capital alone, is key to sustained economic growth and improvements in human well-being. It surveys how the landscape for knowledge is changing, with the growth of new centres of learning, enabling technology, partnerships, and recognition of the value of learning from global experience. And it very clearly recognizes that institutions like the World Bank do not have all the answers, but opening up the Bank will help others find answers. Development institutions can be powerful enablers when they partner with others and move from centralized, expert-led, linear models to collaborative, open and networked approaches that connect expertise. In 2010, the World Bank launched the Open Knowledge initiative, which aims at rendering its knowledge work more accessible to a broad base of stakeholders in client countries, covering both government and civil society.

Mahmoud Mohieldin is a World Bank Managing Director and Chair of the organization's Knowledge and Learning Council. To this respect, Mr. Mohieldin has taken a fresh look at the Bank's knowledge strategy with the objective to develop a systemic approach for managing the emerging challenges in the changing knowledge landscape. As the World Bank's representative at the G20 Deputies Meetings, he also oversees the Bank's work in support of the G20 agenda.

Prior to joining the World Bank, Mr. Mohieldin held numerous positions in the Government of Egypt and served on several Boards of Directors in the Central Bank of Egypt and the corporate sector. He was a member of the Commission on Growth and Development and selected a Young Global Leader of the World Economic Forum in 2005.

His professional reach extends into the academic arena, serving as Member of the Board of several universities in Egypt and holding leading positions in national and regional research centres and think tanks. As a Professor of Economics, he has authored numerous publications and articles in leading journals in the fields of international finance and economics in English and Arabic. Topics include financial reform, prudential regulations, credit markets, exchange rate and monetary policies, trade in services, globalization, corporate governance and competition policy. He received his Ph.D. in Economics from the University of Warwick and a Master of Science in Economic and Social Policy Analysis from the University of York.

Mr. Mohieldin would like to share the main findings of the World Bank's "Knowledge for Development" report with participants, and welcomes a discussion on a more open development paradigm.

Programme

17:00 h Introductory remarks

Dr. Imme Scholz

Deputy Director

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Guest Lecture:

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17:45 h Debate

Dr. Imme Scholz

German Development Institute

Dr. Andreas Stamm

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Development", German Development Institute

Followed by Open discussion

18:30 h Farewell drinks

Your directions to the German Development Institute / Deutsches Institut für Entwicklungspolitik (DIE)

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Since its founding in 1964, DIE has based its work on the interplay between Research, Consulting and Training. These three areas complement each other and are the factors responsible for the Institute's distinctive profile. DIE draws together the knowledge of development research available worldwide, dedicating its work to key issues facing the future of development policy. DIE's research is theory-based, empirically backed, and application-oriented. It serves as the basis for the Institute's consulting activities, which in turn provide the initiative for further research programmes. DIE's Training Programme is an integral component of the Research and Consulting process. The policy advice and consulting services DIE provides is bearing on the framework conditions of development policy, including issues concerned with world economic policy, foreign policy, and security policy.

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The German Development Institute / Deutsches Institut für Entwicklungspolitik (DIE) is headed by Prof. Dr. Dirk Messner (Director) and Dr. Imme Scholz (Deputy Director). At present, the Institute has a staff of 100, more than two-thirds of whom are researchers.