

## Biography

### Mohamed El Mikawi

Mohamed El Mikawi joined Al Futtaim Group Real Estate (AFGRE) in December 2008 as Cairo Festival City's General Manager, overseeing the day-to-day operations of the Cairo branch. His main responsibilities include all of the internal aspects for the development and the implementation of the Cairo Festival City business strategy, as well as the establishment and maintenance of relationships with key external players, such as important decision makers from the government.

Prior to AFGRE, El Mikawi was the General Manager of the Aga Khan Trust for Culture - Egypt, a position he held for almost 9 years. He managed the overall activities for the Trust in Egypt and was responsible for the design, construction, finance and operations of several urban projects, to upgrade Cairo's historic district. He was also in charge of the restoration of many important Islamic monuments and the implementation of a socio-economical community development project for the residents of this district.

Mohamed El Mikawi amassed considerable skills and knowledge during his 23 years of work experience, including the time he spent in the United States. He began his career path in 1985 as an Assistant Resident Engineer at the New Jersey Department of Transportation, where he worked for two years. He then joined the Department of Public Works in Virginia as a Project Manager and gathered 10 years of experience in construction management. Upon his return to Egypt, El Mikawi joined the Coca Cola Bottling Company as Project Manager overseeing the company's design, and construction programmes implemented all over the country.

Parallel to his Engineering experience, El Mikawi taught university students at the graduate and undergraduate level as an Associate Professor Lecturer in George Washington University, as an Adjunct Professor Lecturer at the University of Maryland and as an Assistant Professor at Ain Shams University in Cairo.



El Mikawi obtained his Bachelors of Science (B.S.) in Civil Engineering from Ain Shams University in 1983 and his Masters of Science (M.S.) in Engineering Administration – with a major in construction management- from George Washington University (GWU) in 1985. Ultimately, El Mikawi holds a Doctorate in Science (DSC) in Engineering Management which he also received from GWU in 1995.