

## **Obituary**

### **THE LATE PROF. MOHAMED KAMEL MAHMOUD FIAS (EGYPT)**

*It is with a sense of sadness and sorrow that the Secretariat of the Islamic Academy of Sciences in Amman, Jordan, announces the passing away of Prof. Mohamed Kamel Mahmoud, Founding Fellow and former Vice President of the Islamic Academy of Sciences; former President of the National Research Centre, Egypt, and former President of the Egyptian Academy of Scientific Research and Technology, Cairo, Egypt.*



*Prof. Mahmoud passed away on 17 June 2003 in Cairo, Egypt. He was 77.*

*Prof. Kamel studied at Cairo University. He became Demonstrator at the Chemistry Department, Faculty of Sciences, Cairo University (1948-1954); Lecturer (1954-1957); and Member of a mission of the National Research Centre to Switzerland (1957-1960).*

*After establishing the first Egyptian Research Unit in Textile Chemistry in 1960, Dr Kamel pioneered the establishment of linkages between Research and Industry from 1960 to 1974, supervised the establishment of Theodore Bilharz Research Institute; the Eye Diseases Research Institute, the Electronic Research Institute and the Renewable Energy Research Station in Cairo, and introduced modern R and D management in the National Research Centre.*

*Mahmoud was an eminent scientist, who devoted most of his working life to promoting science in his country, Egypt, the region, and throughout the Islamic world. He was very much involved in joint Islamic activities in science and technology, and was a strong believer in Pan Islamic R and D collaboration.*

*He will be greatly missed by all his colleagues and associates in Egypt and the Islamic world. Inna Lillah Wa Inna Ilaihi Raji'oon.*

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Islamic Academy of Sciences*