

Meeting with Euro-Mediterranean Organization for Economic Cooperation (EMA)

On Wednesday 12th of January 2022

EBA has held a meeting with Euro-Mediterranean Organization for Economic Cooperation in Germany (EMA) Which desires to find cooperation opportunities with the Egyptian side in this important sector, as one of the conditions for winning this tender is the presence of an Egyptian partner to help start implementing a number of activities related to activating the participation of German companies in the development of the various railway sectors in Egypt. They discussed the following points for the proposed requirements for a successful cooperation between German companies and Egyptian Transport companies

- 1- Assist in Reform plan to allow successful cooperation with the private sector.

Reform program for railway sector in Egypt:

- Review of the regulatory and legislative framework for railway sector to reduce the monopolistic structure of the market.
- Competition among railway companies which leads to lower prices, increased innovation, and the development of new markets,
- Access of the private sector for providing services in the railway transport
- Reduce monopoly power in the market to allow other railway companies to access to rail infrastructure, allocating the costs of using the track to freight and passenger business units (track access charge) to public and private railway undertakings.
- Transparent access charges to the infrastructure to facilitate competition.
- Improvement of the Legal Regulatory Framework to create a more effective governance and higher efficiency of ENR following models successfully implemented on several European Railways.
- Provide series of recommendations and policies taking into consideration the actual status and the European Institutional Framework in terms of safety management.
- Open market for private sector for Operation & Maintenance

- 2- Provide Educational Trainings & capacity building for human resources railway industry.

- 3- Transfer of know-how/ transfer of technology.

- 4- Enhance local production & investment in improving local manufacturing of rolling stock,

signaling systems as well as other components of rolling stocks & locos **Suggestions for the Next steps:**

- 1- Meetings with the client

- 2- Site visits program for some of mega transport projects.

- LRT Salam/10th of Ramadan/administrative city.
- HSR Sokhna/ Alamin /new capital.
- Cairo Metro Line 4.
- Track Renewal Banha Port saed line.
- Monorail 6th of October/ New Capital.
- Track Renewal Bany suif /Nagh Hammady.

- 3- Agree on finance

- 4- Assessment study to identify the ways of cooperation