



PROFILE: **Hussein Y. Amin**

Dr. Amin received his Ph.D. degree from the Ohio State University in 1986. He is a professor and former chairman of the department of Journalism and Mass Communication at the American University in Cairo. Dr. Amin has served the American University in many capacities: as a member of the University Graduate Council, member of the University Press Committee, member of the New Campus Advisory Committee and member of the Executive

Committee of the University Senate. In addition, Dr. Amin serves as a senior fellow at the Adham Center for Electronic Journalism, the premier center in the Middle East in the field of electronic journalism.

Dr. Amin has taught a wide range of subjects from mass media research to radio and television broadcasting to global journalism and has given lectures in many universities throughout the world on a wide range of topics related to the media with a specific reference to the Middle East. Professor Amin holds several key positions in national, regional and global media, including the chairmanship of the Egyptian Radio and Television Union (ERTU)'s Satellite Committee as well as the chairmanship of the Research and Development Committee. He is a member of the board of the Arab Media Group, a member of the Higher Committee for Specialized Nilesat Television Networks, a member of the National Committee on Media Monitoring during the Egyptian presidential and parliamentary elections, a member of the board of advisors of the Arab Thought Foundation (Lebanon), a member of the Board of Trustees of the International Academy for Media Sciences, a member of the Board of Trustees of the Information Technology Institute (ITI), Chairman of the Advisory Board of the Arab Defense League, a member of the Board of Experts of the Global Influence Initiative (GII) (USA), and a member of the Board of Trustees of the Egyptian Radio and Television Union, the governing body of Egypt's radio and television broadcasting. Professor Amin is also a member of the board of the Arab Center for the Rule of Law and Integrity (Lebanon) as well as a leading expert of the Media Group of the Arab League.

Dr. Amin is very active in professional associations in his field. In 2006, he was elected Chair of the 25<sup>th</sup> Annual General Assembly of the International Association for Media and Communication Research (IAMCR). He is a founding member and former president for the Arab-US Association for Communication Educators (AUSACE) and former chairman of the International Division of the Broadcast Education Association (BEA), the world's leading association in broadcasting education. Dr. Amin is a member of the International Advisory and Program Committee of the First World Congress for Middle Eastern Studies (Germany). Dr. Amin is also a member of the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication's Internationalization Task Force and serves on the advisory board of the University of Cambridge's Arab Media Project (UK).

Dr. Amin is an active contributor to an extensive list of professional journals and internationally recognized publications in the field of communications and media. He is a member of the editorial advisory board of the *Journal of Middle East Media* (JMEM), member of the editorial advisory board of the *Journal of International Communication* (JIC), member of the editorial advisory board of *Arab Media & Society*, and member of the editorial advisory board of the *Palgrave Macmillan Series in International Political Communication*. He is a member of the

editorial board of *Journalism Practice*, a new scholarly, international and multidisciplinary journal published by Routledge, Taylor & Francis, and the *Journal of African Studies*. Dr. Amin is the Arabic editor of the *Global Media Journal* (GMJ) and Middle East editor of the *Journal of Global Media and Communication Journal*, a SAGE Publication. Professor Amin has served as a reviewer for many academic conferences and professional publications, including the Highway Africa conference, the *Journal of Communication* (JC), the Broadcast Education Association's Journal of Broadcast and Electronic Media, *The Journal of European Communication*, The Binational Fulbright Commission, the Commission for Educational and Cultural Exchange between the USA and the ARE, the Kuwaiti Scientific Establishment (Al Moa'sasah Al Almeih), the American University in Cairo Press, and many others.

Dr. Amin has extensive field experience in many areas of mass communications, including broadcasting management, strategy formulation and implementation, film and television production and broadcasting, media law and regulations, communication planning and policies as well as marketing and administration. Dr. Amin has worked in professional positions in many countries including Egypt, the Middle East, Europe and the US. In addition, Dr. Amin has consulted with a number of U.S., European, Arab, and Egyptian corporations, broadcasting networks, and development agencies including the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID), the British Broadcasting Corporation (BBC), the United Nation's Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO), Cable News Network (CNN), Al Mehwar TV, Arab Radio and Television (ART), Arab Network of America (ANA), the Egyptian Satellite (Nilesat), and Nile TV International.

Dr. Amin's research interests include Egyptian and Arab media systems, media convergence, global and transnational broadcasting, Arab media laws and regulations, new information and communication technologies, and the impact of these new technologies on development. He is a prolific writer, whose authoritative writings and cited research in both English and Arabic have been widely published in books and academic journals in the US, Europe, Africa and the Middle East. Dr. Amin's book *Civic Discourse and Digital Age Communication in the Middle East* is considered a reference for many mass communication scholars in this area of study. Dr. Amin is the author of numerous book chapters, several monographs, and many research articles in English and in Arabic and has supervised MA theses and PhD dissertations in many parts of the world. Dr. Amin's articles have been published in many distinguished scholarly journals including *Feedback*, the quarterly publication of the Broadcast Education Association, *The Journal of African Communication*, *Gazette: The International Journal for Communication Studies*, *World Communication*, *The Journal of South Asian and Middle Eastern Studies*, *The European Journal of Communication*, *the Journal of Transnational Broadcasting Studies* and *The Journal of Political Communication*.

Professor Amin has presented papers to more than a hundred international academic conferences, with presentations in English and Arabic. He is in high demand as a speaker throughout the world, with over twenty keynote addresses to international academic and professional associations conferences including Article 19, Global Fusion, AUSACE, Trading Culture (Sheffield-UK), the European Union, UNESCO, and the Freedom Forum, and is a frequent guest expert on television and radio programs in Egypt, the Arab World, Europe, and the US. He has appeared as a media expert on NHK, CNN, NBC, MBC, Aljazeera, MSNBC, Nile TV, BBC, RAI, and other networks throughout the Arab World as well as China, Japan, and Australia and

has been quoted in some of the most renowned newspapers in the world. Dr. Amin received numerous awards in recognition for his contributions to the field including the Stephen H. Coltrin Award for Excellence in Communication Theory from the International Radio and Television Society (IRTS), the Medallion of Honor from both the Nilesat organization and the Egyptian Media City, and honorary alumnus of the School of Communication and Media Arts, Southern Illinois University at Carbondale. In addition, Dr. Amin was honored for his contributions to the field in major associations in the field of Journalism and Mass Communication.