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Mrs. Ismail is an active member of the global Internet community. She has participated to all global Internet Governance Forum (IGF) meetings, was member of the NETmundial Executive Multistakeholder Committee, represents Egypt at the Governmental Advisory Committee (GAC) of ICANN and has served as one of its vice chairs. She has also served as vice chair of the ICANN Accountability and Transparency Review Team (ATRT1), is co-chairing the Board-GAC Recommendation Implementation Working Group (BGRI-WG) as well as co-chairing the GAC-GNSO Consultation Group on GAC Early Engagement in GNSO PDP. She is member of ICANN Middle East Strategy Working Group (MESWG) and founding member of the Internet Society Chapter of Egypt (ISOC-EG).

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