Dr. Mohamed Kamal is the Director of the Institute of Arab Research and Studies, and professor of political science at Cairo University. He also served as Dean of the faculty of economics and political science of Future University, Director of the American Studies Center, and Center for International Area Studies at Cairo University. He was a visiting scholar at the University of California, Berkeley and the University of Chicago. He obtained his PhD in International Relations from Johns Hopkins University (SAIS), and has several academic publications in Arabic and English. He writes weekly column for Al Masry Al Youm and Al Ahram newspapers.