

**Meeting with Prof.Dr. Ahmet Incekara
President of Economic Research Foundation
on Wednesday the 21st of June 2023, EBA Premises**

EBA has held a meeting with Prof.Dr. Ahmet Incekara, President of Economic Research Foundation, Mr. A.Nahit Ozen, Secretary General, Economic Research Foundation. The Meeting was attended by Dr. Mohamed Youssef, Executive Director of EBA and Mrs. Dalia Youssef, Division Director of International Relations & Membership Affairs at EBA.

Main points of discussion:

- Economic Research Foundation has been continually arranging seminars, symposiums, conferences and doing research and preparing projects on financial and economic subjects in Turkey and abroad since 1962.
- The aim is putting economic and financial problems of Turkey into discussions and seeking solutions to them.
- For sixty years the foundation has been continuing its activities towards this end.
- Among the activities of the Economic Research Foundation national and international seminars, conferences, open debates, and press meetings can be cited.
- The number of seminars and conferences of the foundation has reached 310.
- The foundation actually has nearly 200 members, the juridical person members of the foundation are public and private sectors:
 - Banks
 - Insurance companies
 - Finance Institutions and professional establishments
 - Pioneering holdings and industrial firms
 - Chambers of commerce and industry and exchange
 - Stock Exchange and Investment
 - Holdings
 - Textile industry and commerce
 - Food industry and commerce
 - Mines and mine items

Recommendations at the end of the meeting:

1. Integration in the tourism sector through organizing joint programs for tourists who come from faraway regions such as China.
2. An Egyptian-Turkish conference to enter third countries.
3. Annual conference to be held in Egypt.
4. Discuss holding a symposium about New Horizon in the Development of Economic Cooperation between Turkey and Egypt in November/October 2023

Objectives of the Symposium:

- To investigate the commercial and economic potential between the two countries scientifically.
- To do economic and social research to trigger the potential economic cooperation and to create awareness between Turkey and Egypt.
- To discuss the reflections and solution proposals of the inflation, food and energy sector, price increases in the global economy in the last period in both countries scientifically.
- To enliven economic activities, to encourage investment, to focus on the investment areas where entrepreneurs of the two countries can compete, cooperate and create new projects.
- To share the opinions which contribute to the development of the economic and commercial cooperation with the government officials, bureaucrats, entrepreneurs, businessmen and managers in the two countries.
- To introduce the important sectors in the two countries.
- To ensure that government officials and bureaucrats participate in the symposium so that the subjects discussed at the sessions can catch the public attention.
- To help the administrators of the public and private sectors to share their opinions, experience and their future plans with the entrepreneurs, professors and the public.

- To do research how Turkish businessmen can support the Egypt economy to have a competitive infrastructure.
- To enable the representatives of the important sectors to meet with the entrepreneurs.

At the end of the meeting:

- ERF requested the participation of EBA with a speech in the opening ceremony of the conference and to assist in circulating and promoting the event among Egyptian business community.
- In addition, to propose sectors and ideas to be inserted on the event's agenda.