



**District 1842**  
**Intercountry Committee Egypt**

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## **Annual Report 2016/17**

**for the National Coordinator ICC Germany**

### **Members of the German Section of the Intercountry Committee Egypt**

In the Rotarian Year 2016/17 the following persons were members of the German Section, Interstate Committee Egypt:

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| District | 1820 | Florian Sauter-Servaes        | RC Usingen                   |
|          | 1841 | PDG Ulrich Sprandel           | RC Kaufbeuren-Ostallgäu      |
|          | 1842 | PDG Hans Georg Fick           | RC Landshut-Trausnitz; DRFCC |
|          | 1842 | DG Peter Wohlrab              | RC München - Bogenhausen     |
|          | 1842 | PDG Bruno v. Mengden          | RC München-Harlaching        |
|          | 1842 | AG Peter Rink                 | RC Wasserburg                |
|          | 1850 | PP Wulf Schmidt-Sacht         | RC Oldenburg                 |
|          | 1860 | Susann Jendricke              | RC Worms-Nibelungen          |
|          | 1860 | PDG Robert Zinser             | RC Ludwigshafen-Rheinschanze |
| Rotaract |      | Linda Corzilius               | RAC Hanau                    |
|          |      | Maike van Haag                | RAC Köln                     |
|          |      | Nik Raupp                     | RAC Köln                     |
| Chairman | 1842 | PAG Frank Müller-Römer        | RC München-Land.             |
|          |      | (2011 – 2014 and 2015 – 2017) |                              |

As proposed by the RC Berlin-Alexanderplatz, Michael Scherrer, President of RC Berlin-Lilienthal, became a member of the Intercountry Committee Egypt. The RC Berlin-Lilienthal intends to renew its contact to its partner club RC Cairo-Rhine/Nile.

## **Conference International Service / Intercountry Committees on Saturday. 16<sup>th</sup> November 2016 from 10:00 AM until 16:00 PM in Kassel**

Present in the conference were the Chairman of the German Section, Intercountry Committee Egypt, Frank Müller-Römer, Hans Georg Fick and Peter Rink.

Discussed were models of GG projects designed to help refugees and the plans to build a school in Beyrou/Lebanon. The CEO of Rotary Deutschland Gemeindienst gave a detailed survey of the present rules and conditions to be observed when requests for financing GG projects are launched.

## **Meeting of the members, German Section of the Intercountry Committee Egypt on 16<sup>th</sup> November 2016 in Kassel**

During the lunch break of the conference, Rotarians Fick, Rink and Müller-Römer convened and held a meeting of the German Section, Intercountry Committee Egypt. The minutes thereof also appear in the internet (<https://de.rotary.de/la-aegypten/de/berichte.php>).

## **Participation of members of the German Section in the District Conference D 2451 from 11<sup>st</sup> until 14<sup>th</sup> May 2016 in Hurgadha (Red Sea)**

DG Peter Wohlrab and Frank Müller-Römer, Chairman of the Germany Section, Intercountry Committee Egypt attended the District Conference D 4251 in May in Hurgadha. On 14<sup>th</sup> May.

Chairman Frank Müller-Römer spoke before the plenary session about the cooperation of the two sections of the Intercountry Committee Egypt and about the GG projects both under way and planned. His presentation also appears in the internet in English (<https://de.rotary.de/la-aegypten/de/berichte.php>).

DG 2451 Mayan Raslan thanks Frank Müller-Römer for his long standing and successful cooperation in the Intercountry Committee Egypt.





DG Peter Wohlrab during his address in the Plenary Session on 14<sup>th</sup> May 2017

### **Joint Session of the two sections of the Intercountry Committee Egypt on 13<sup>th</sup> May 2017 in Hurgadha Assuan**

On 13<sup>th</sup> May 2017 both section got together in a meeting in Assuan at the occasion of the District Conference D 2451. The following persons participated:

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| DG 1842 | Peter Wohlrab                                       |
| D 1842  | Frank Müller-Römer, Chairman of the German Section  |
| D 2451  | Ms Soheir Wahib, Chairwoman of the Egyptian Section |
| D 2451  | Amin Sabri, District Coordinator for Water          |
| D 2451  | Ms Afaf Esmat, RC El Maadi.                         |

Soheir Wahib, Chairwoman of the Egyptian Section, welcomed the persons present and comments on the activities of the Committee during the Rotary Year 2016/17. She praised the various joint projects for the connection of houses to the Public Drinking Water Supply System and the Sewage in Beni Suef and Sohag, and outlined the plans maintained by District 2451 from 2013 to finance 2000 house connections per year. She also mentioned the GG Project in Fayoum which had just been started and which also aims at connecting houses to the water main.

DG Peter Wohlrab thanked her for the invitation and referred to the great dedication and engagement of the Committee member and Rotary Clubs in Munich in completing as many social projects as possible. The projects to improve the drinking water situation; they are the badly needed and occupy a prominent position in the list of emergencies. The project “Water for a healthy Life” which was started by the RC Al Shorouk and the RC München-Land jointly has a financial volume of 360.000 Euro and when completed will lead to connections of 1.300 houses in Government Sohag. The Federal Republic of Germany agreed to finance the greater part of that sum.

The result of the discussion was the definite confirmation from both groups to continue their splendid cooperation and where possible deepen the contacts between German and Egyptian Rotary Clubs.

DG Peter Wohlrab explained the change of the chairman of the German Section of the Intercountry Committee Egypt. After 6 years of very successful activities Rotary rules require a change. New Chairman of the German Section is PP Peter Rink, RC Wasserburg as of 1<sup>st</sup> July 2017.

Frank Müller-Römer, Chairman of the German Section, refers again to the fact that all texts from his section in the internet are available in both German and English since last year.

Several projects were discussed in detail. As an interested listener, Frank Müller-Römer was able to confirm his opinion that all projects are well managed and controlled. He thanked all members involved for their dedication and hard work.

A short article “Governor as Guest in Egypt” appeared in the July number of the Rotary Magazine page 71 (<https://de.rotary.de/la-aegypten/de/berichte.php>).

### **Visits of PP Amin Sabri, RC AL Shorouk (Cairo), Water Coordinator of District 2451, in Munich**

On 27<sup>th</sup> January 2016 PP Amin Sabri (RC Al Shorouk (Cairo) and coordinator for Water in District 2451, visited Munich and met with Frank Müller-Römer, (RC München-Land), Chairman of the German Section of the Intercountry Committee Egypt. Main subject of their discussions was the detailed preparation of another project for the connection of houses in Central Egypt (1.500 households ) to the Public System of Drinking Water Supply and to the Public Sewage, named “Water for a Healthy Life 2 Sohag”).

During a second visit on 13<sup>th</sup> August 2016, they also directed their attention to the state of Project “Water for a Healthy Life 1 Beni Suef”.



Project Talks in Munich: Amin Sabri, Inas Sabri and Frank Müller-Römer

## Projects completed in 2016/17

In early 2015, the RC El Maadi, Cairo, as Primary Host Sponsor and the RC München-Land as Primary International Sponsor applied to The Rotary Foundation (TRF) for the approval of a follow-up project “Beni Suef Water Project, aiming to connect appr. 400 houses in 2 settlements within the Beni Suef area (GG1529052) to the Public Drinking Water Supply System. The project is carried by 8 clubs in Egypt and 7 clubs in Munich. The financial volume amounts to 89.350 US\$. TRF approved the project in May 2015.



In close cooperation with the RC München-Land Rotary Gemeindienst e. V. (RDG) filed an application with the German Federal Ministry of Economic Cooperation and Development for a project “Water for a Healthy Life 1 Beni Suef”. As funds to be provided for by Rotary, an amount of 89.350 US\$ was mentioned that had been allocated to Global Grant Project GG1529052 “Beni Suef Water Project”. The project has a total financial volume of 314.515 US\$ (357.289 Euro). The project will lead to the connection of 2 settlements in Central Egypt near Beni Suef with 1.577 households to the Public Drinking Water Supply System. BMZ approved the application on 1<sup>st</sup> July 2015.



On 14<sup>th</sup> June 2015, DG Gerhard Zierl, Frank Müller-Römer and Ms Afaf Esmat, Project Coordinator for RC El Maadi, PP Abdelaty Kabeel (Project Manager) and Amin Sabri (RC Al Shorouk, Water Coordinator for District 2451 had a lengthy discussion with Mahmoud Latif, director of Benisuef Potable Water & Sanitation Co. Their conversation covered the preparation, the works and the accounting of the measures to connect houses mainly in the Al Hibah Village and the Al

Jafadun Village in the area of Al Fashn south of Beni Suef.



On 15<sup>th</sup> June 2015 Ms Afaf Esmat, Project Coordinator of El Maadi (Cairo, and Frank Müller-Römer, Project Coordinator for RC München-Land, signed the Project Agreement to make sure that work could be started as soon as the consent of the BMZ was received.

The project was successfully completed in May 2017.

The details are available in the internet [www.de.rotary.de/la-aegypten](http://www.de.rotary.de/la-aegypten), “Projects - Completed

Projects.

The RC Cairo Heliopolis as Host Club and the RC Oldenburg (D 1850) started a GG Project (GG1636643, Pruchase of 7 incubators for prematurely born children for an hospital in Sohag, plus a one month training programme for 3 Egyptian doctors at the Child Dept of the Oldenburg City Clinic). The project was successfully carried through. The incubators were delivered and installed in September 2016. The financial volume amounted to 82.000 US\$.



Wulf Schmidt-Sacht (RC Oldenburg) with doctors of the City Clinic Oldenburg, Child Dept., and 3 Egyptian physicians

## **Social Service Projects applied for during 2016/17**

As part of their efforts to connect more houses of underprivileged owners to the Public System of Drinking Water Supply, the project “Water for Healthy Life 2 Sohag” had been planned by RC El Shorouk, Cairo D 2451, and RC München-Land. An application was presented to The Rotary Foundation (TRF). It took some time and some tough negotiations before TRF consented, but in the end they did: in June 2016 TRF agreed. The financial volume of the

projects amounts to 56.500 US\$ (50.850 Euro). It is carried by 22 clubs from Egypt and 14 clubs in the German District 1842. Together with RDG a BMZ Project “Water for a Healthy Life 2 Sohag” was applied for in the fall of 2015T which is going to cost 369.000 Euro, and will lead to the connection of 1.300 houses to the Public Drinking Water Supply System and to the Sewage, to include hygiene lectures for the citizens involved.

When Frank Müller-Römer visited Hurgadha in May 2017, further details of the project were discussed with representatives of RC Al Shorouk.



from right to left: Amin Sabri, Mohamed Sharmy, Hisham Younes, Adel Allam and Frank Müller-Römer

Following a proposal from Ms Soheir Wahib, Chairlady of the Egyptian Section of Intercountry Committee Egypt, a further GG project for the connection of houses in Fayoum to the water main was applied for in December 2016 and approved in January 2017. The project is carried by the RC München-Land and the RC Cairo Royal. Project sum: 50.000 US\$, which will suffice to connect 300 houses, again with the inclusion of hygiene lessons.

The RC Brandenburg/Havel and the RC Cairo-Rhine/Nile are planning a project “Eye Doctor Operations to help Blind Patients in Egypt”. Other Rotary Clubs will participate. A short description of the project is available in the internet.

## **Rotaract**

### **Rotaract Germany and Rotaract Egypt**

<http://www.de.rotary.de/la-aegypten/de/projecte/laufendeprojekte.php>

The Alexandria project that started in 2001 is continued. N. Raupp, RAC Köln, visited the site in January 2014 and brought another 5.000 Euro. The local project team now has 10.000 Euro to continue the work.

### **RAC Köln and RC Köln-Hahnentor**

<http://www.de.rotary.de/la-aegypten/de/projekte/laufendeprojekte.php>

The Cologne-Cairo Project continues to run successfully. To finance it further money is collected in Cologne.

## **RAC Heilbronn and RC Heilbronn**

(Same link as above)

The RAC Heilbronn advises that in view of the present political situation in Alexandria no further activities are planned. The project will not be continued.

## **Internet Pages of the German Section, Intercountry Committee Egypt**

In 2013, the Chairman developed an internet version on the basis of a system used by the Rotary Publishing

Dept (Rotary Verlags GmbH) and keeps the pages current.

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Take a look. You will find a lot more details about the work done by the German Section of the Intercountry Committee and Rotaract, to which reference is made here in the Annual Report.

In 2014/15 the section had help from PP Gerhard Grossmann (RC Hanau-Maintal) and Ms Susanne Hormes, (RC Bersenbrück-Altkreis) in the translation of all internet texts into English which attracts the special attention of our Egyptian friends. A hearty “Thank you” goes to both “translators” for their dedication and work in drafting the English text and helping to keep it up to date.

## **Further Proceedings**

The chairman reminded all clubs that had relations with members of Egyptian Rotary Clubs recently to reopen their contacts. Unfortunately, the ehco was not overwhelming. The same is true in view of the various articles in the Rotary Magazine.

Experience gained in handling projects within Districts 1842, 1850, 1860 and Rotaract that personal engagement and efforts are a definite necessity for contacts in Egypt and for carrying out projects of the kind described herein..

Bearing this in mind, the chairman again asks all members of the German Section, Intercountry Committee

Egypt, to activate their energies and solicit others to take part in Egyptian projects.

s/F. Müller-Römer