

Naila Hamdy District 8 Campaign Statement

I'm an associate professor in the Department of Journalism and Mass Communication at the American University in Cairo, Egypt and currently serving as Associate Dean for Graduate studies and Research for the School of Global Affairs and Public Policy.

BEA, which I have attended regularly since I first embarked on my academic career in 1998, has been an extremely important professional community for me. I am passionate about being a journalism educator and also proud of my professional background as a broadcast journalist in Egypt, working with international news outlets and BEA has been fundamental to my self-development journey.

My scholarship focuses on media systems and the journalism profession, with attention to the Arab region. My engagement with the practical world continues through contributions to UNESCO curricula, designing training curricula and authoring ethical guides to combat hate speech.

At BEA I served on the international division in 2002 and contributed to writing the bylaws and reshaping the website design and content.

I also served as member of the board and past president for the Arab-US Communication Educators since 2003, and I am also advisor to the board of the Ethical Journalism Network. I'm also involved with several professional associations both academic and journalistic such as IAMCR, and the European Journalism Training Association (EJTA) amongst others.

I would like serve on District 8 not only because I am sure I can represent the needs and interests of international members of BEA but also because I see this an opportunity to work toward enabling more collaborations between members of our association and to strength relationships with other international associations. I hope that you give me the chance to do so by supporting me.