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Dr. Adham R Ismail Abdel-Moneim is the WHO Representative and Head of Mission in Saudi Arabia. He was recently reassigned to his current position, starting in January 2023, after serving as WHO Representative and Head of Mission in Yemen for two years and in Iraq for 2.5 years. Prior to his work in Iraq, Dr. Ismail spent 13 years as the leader for the “Essential Medicines and Health Technologies” team in the WHO Eastern Mediterranean Regional Office in Cairo, Egypt. In this role, he assisted countries in developing national strategies and programs, designed regional tools/guidelines, promoted intersectoral collaboration, and strengthened national capacities. He is particularly proud of his work in promoting the agenda of “Health Technology Assessment” for better informed decision-making in health.

Before joining WHO, Dr. Ismail worked as a professor at several academic institutions in Egypt and the USA, where he published many articles in renowned journals and participated in many national and international conferences. He has over 20 years of experience in clinical and biomedical engineering.

Dr. Ismail has three Master’s degrees in Public Health from the University of Roehampton (UK), Biomedical Engineering from Alexandria University (Egypt), and Business Administration from the Arab Academy for Science and Technology. He also holds a PhD degree in Biomedical Engineering from the University of Miami (USA).