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Dr. Aboul-Ela graduated with a BSc and MSc in Agriculture from Cairo University, and earned his PhD in Animal Physiology from the University of Aberdeen, UK, in 1980. His university career started at the Faculty of Agriculture, Mansoura University, Egypt, and was promoted as full Professor in 1987. He held several academic administrative positions as Chair, Director of Graduate Studies, Director of Faculty Recruitment and Development Centre, and Dean of Agriculture, at Mansoura University and UAE University. He worked as a Visiting Professor at the University College of North Wales, Bangor, UK in 1987/1988.

As a researcher, Dr. Aboul-Ela published a total of 93 articles in refereed journals, and five chapters in reference books. He won several research prizes and awards including National Prize for Research in Agricultural Sciences, Egypt, 1978; Abdel-Hamid Showmans Prize for best researchers in the Arab world in the area of Animal Production, in 1988; and Presidential Distinction Medal, for Excellence in Research, Egypt, 1994.

Dr. Aboul-Ela was one of the founding members of the Commission for Academic Accreditation, in the UAE when established in 2000 and was appointed as its Director in February 2007, and had a leading role in developing its Standards for Licensure and Accreditation, its e-Learning Standards for Licensure and Accreditation, and its Standards for Licensure and Accreditation of Technical and Vocational Education and Training. Dr. Aboul-Ela is currently the Vice-President of the Arab Network for Quality Assurance Agencies in Higher Education (ANQAAHE).

Dr. Aboul-Ela participated, as a Commissioner, in many licensure and accreditation review teams in the UAE. He also chaired and participated in Institutional reviewing teams in Oman and Saudi Arabia.