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Professor Muhammad Othman Elkhosht is President of Cairo University since August of 2017. Before this appointment, he was Vice President of Cairo University for Education and Student Affairs and, from 2013 to 2015, Egyptian Cultural Advisor at the Egyptian Embassy in Riyadh and Head of the largest educational mission abroad in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. He is a professor of philosophy of religion and contemporary philosophy at the Faculty of Arts, Cairo University.

Professor Elkhosht is Member of the Board of Directors of the Interfaith Dialogue Center in Al-Azhar Al-Sharif, Member of the Supreme Council for Islamic Affairs, Member of the Board of Trustees of the Egyptian Awqaf Academy for Rehabilitation and Training of Imams, Member of the Supreme Council of Naif Arab University for Security Sciences (League of Arab States), and Standing member of the Science and Innovation Committee of Shanghai Jiaotong University.

Some of his past roles include: Director of the Cairo University Center for Languages and Translation (2010-2013), Training and Education Officer for Egyptian Universities at the Ministry of Higher Education (2013), and Member of the Committee for Admission to the Egyptian Universities in the Ministry of Higher Education (2016-2018)

Professor Elkhosht is also editor-in-chief of "Hermes Magazine", Member of the committee of the Ministry of Higher Education to select and evaluate the performance of the consultants and cultural attachés in the Egyptian offices and cultural networks abroad, and Member of the permanent scientific committee for the promotion of professors of philosophy in Egyptian universities.

Professor Elkhosht has delved into both Islamic heritage and Western thought and is a leading authority on modern Islam. He has published 41 books and some of which have been translated into English, German and Indonesian. He has furthermore published 27 research papers and edited 24 Islamic heritage books. Arab and international researchers have written more than 78 research papers about his works and projects, such as: "The Intellectual and Methodological Bases in Contemporary Islamic Philosophy: Elkhosht as an Example" and "The Renewal of Religious Discourse in Elkhosht's Project".