

## **Naguib Sawiris**

**Executive Chairman - Orascom Telecom Media and Technology Holding**

**Chairman - Orascom TMT Investments S.à r.l.**

**Chairman of the Advisory Board - La Mancha Holding S.à r.l.**

**Chairman - Euronews**

**Director - Gemini Global Development**

**Founder - Orascom Telecom Holding S.A.E.**



Since joining Orascom, the family business, in 1979, Mr. Naguib Sawiris has continuously contributed to the growth and diversification of the company into what it is today – one of Egypt's largest and most diversified conglomerates and the country's largest private sector employer. Mr. Sawiris established and built the railway, information technology, and telecommunications sectors of Orascom.

As the Founder of Orascom Telecom Holding (OTH), Mr. Sawiris has dynamically led the growth of the company, to be the leading regional telecom player having operated GSM networks in over 28 countries in Africa and the Middle East, including Egypt, Jordan, Algeria, Tunisia, Iraq, Pakistan, Bangladesh and more than 15 countries in Africa. The company's subscriber base reached up to 380 million people. OTH's success story culminated in the much-publicized merger deal between Wind Telecom, the mother company of Orascom Telecom Holding, and VimpelCom Ltd in April 2011. At the time, the merger created the world's sixth largest mobile telecommunications provider by number of subscribers.

Mr. Sawiris has led the full acquisition of La Mancha Holding, an international gold producer, and was appointed as La Mancha's Chairman of the Advisory Board in 2012. In 2015, La Mancha closed two landmark transactions; where La Mancha Australia was swapped into Evolution Mining to create the second largest gold producer in Australia, and La Mancha Africa swapped into Endeavour Mining to create Africa's third largest mining company. La Mancha is the single largest shareholder sitting on the board of both companies.

Mr. Sawiris is also a Director of Gemini Global Development, a company undertaking high-end real estate developments in various prime locations around the world including the Plateau overlooking the Great Pyramids of Giza in Egypt, Grenada and Pakistan. Recently, it launched Aya Napa Marina, an exclusive integrated development including two spectacular towers promising to unveil a new era in modern beachfront living and transform Cyprus into a prime luxury destination in the Mediterranean basin.

Mr. Sawiris also has management control over several assets in the media business. In September 2015, he managed the acquisition of 53% of Euronews, the most watched news channel in Europe. In 2017, he increased his ownership to 60% through Media Globe Network (MGN), a company owned by Sawiris Family. In Egypt, he has ownership in several newspapers, portals, and a leading media representation company in Egypt and the Middle East.

At international and regional levels, Mr. Sawiris served on several boards, committees and councils:

- Former Member of the International Advisory Committee to the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE)
- Former Board member of the International Advisory Board to the National Bank of Kuwait
- Member of the Board of Trustees of the American University in Egypt (AUC)
- Founding member of the London Stock Exchange Group's Africa Advisory Group
- Member of the Board of Trustees of Nile University (NU)
- Member of the Board of Trustees of the French University in Egypt (UFE)
- Member of both the Board of Trustees and the Board of Directors of the Arab Thought Foundation
- Vice-Chair of Sawiris Foundation for Social Development
- Member of the Egyptian Council for Foreign Affairs

Mr. Sawiris is also the recipient of numerous honorary degrees, industry awards and civic honors, including the Honor of Commander of the "Legion d'Honneur" (the highest award given by the French Republic for outstanding services rendered to France). In July 2011 Mr. Sawiris was awarded the Honor of Commander of the Order of the "Stella della Solidarietà Italiana" (Star of Italian Solidarity) for his outstanding contribution to the Italian economy through the investments he led in Italy. In 2006, the prestigious "Sitara-e-Quaid-e-Azam" award was conferred upon him by General Pervez Musharref for services rendered to the people of Pakistan in the field of telecommunication, investments and social sector work.

Mr. Sawiris holds a diploma of Mechanical Engineering with a Masters in Technical Administration from the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Zurich (ETH Zürich) and a Diploma from the German Evangelical

School, Cairo, Egypt. Mr. Sawiris is married, with four children and lives in Cairo. He speaks Arabic, English, German and moderate French.