KEY NOTE SPEAKER BIOGRAPHIES:
SUZANNE MUBARAK, FIRST LADY EGYPT

Suzanne Mubarak received a Bachelor's degree in Political Science (and a Master's degree in Sociology of Education. The topic of study for her Master thesis was "Social Action Research in Urban Egypt: A Case of Primary School Upgrading in Boulak."

The First Lady is the Chairperson of the Advisory Board to the National Council on Childhood and Motherhood and also the President of the Egyptian National Women Committee. Recently, Mrs. Mubarak became President of the National Council for Women.

Mrs. Mubarak is the founder and Chairperson of the Integrated Care Society, a non-profit organization established in 1977 with the objective of providing various types of services in the fields of social, cultural and health-care to school children.

Given an Honorary Fulbright Award, in recognition of her efforts in the field of child development and education, The "Health for All Gold Medal", the highest distinction awarded by the World Health Organization, was conferred upon Mrs. Mubarak in June 1994 in recognition of her outstanding contributions to improving the quality of life of the women and children of Egypt and her personal commitment to international efforts aimed at integrating health in the development process. She was awarded an "Honorary Doctor Degree for Humane letters", American University in Cairo, February 2000, and an "Honorary Doctor Degree", American University in Spain, in recognition of her distinctive efforts in the social field in Egypt, February 2000.

DR. HUSSEIN ABDUL-RAZZAK GEZairy

Dr Hussein Abdul Razzak Gezairy was first appointed by the Executive Board at its Sixty-ninth Session as from 1 September 1982, and assumed duties of WHO Regional Director for the Eastern Mediterranean in October 1982. Since 1982, Dr. Gezairy has been reappointed as WHO Regional Director for the Eastern Mediterranean by the Executive Board.

Dr Gezairy graduated in Medicine in 1957 at the Kasr El Aini Faculty of Medicine in Cairo, Egypt. He was Founding Dean of the Faculty of Medicine of the University of Riyadh in 1969. In October 1975, Dr Gezairy became Minister of Health of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, a post which he held until his appointment as WHO Regional Director for the Eastern Mediterranean.

He was the first President of the Supreme Council of the Arab Board for Medical Specializations.