



## Lamis Elhadidy

Egyptian Television Presenter and Media Personality

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## Who is Lamis Elhadidy

Lamis Elhadidy is a prominent Egyptian journalist and media personality with a distinguished career spanning over three decades, establishing her as one of the most significant voices in Arab media. She began her career in the late 1980s, working as a desk producer for NBC's Cairo bureau in 1987, followed by a three-year stint as a stringer for The New York Times. In 1991, she co-founded "Al Alam Al Youm," Egypt's first daily business newspaper, later becoming the chief executive officer of its weekly edition. Her extensive experience includes roles at major international and Arab media organizations. She served as a correspondent for MBC between Dubai and Cairo (1994-1999), Al Jazeera (1999-2003), and CNBC Arabiya (2003-2005). Subsequently, she became the senior business correspondent for Al Arabiya television until 2009. Elhadidy transitioned to hosting with the program "Etkalem" in 2005. Her success grew with influential talk shows like "Men Qalb Masr" on Nile Life and "Huna Al Asema" (Here is the Capital) on CBC, which became a leading political talk show in Egypt. Currently, she hosts "Kalima Akhera" (The Final Word) on ON channel, where she continues to address the most pressing Egyptian and regional issues.

## Achievements of Lamis Elhadidy

In 2006, Lamis Elhadidy was selected as a Young Global Leader by the World Economic Forum in Davos, an honor recognizing her impact and influence in the media sector. The nominating committee was chaired by Queen Rania of Jordan. She was voted Best Female Presenter in 2010 in major polls conducted by the prestigious Al-Ahram and Al-Masry Al-Youm newspapers. This recognition was a testament to the success of her talk shows, particularly "Men Qalb Masr," which achieved record viewership and secured the largest share of commercial advertising at the time. Throughout her career, Elhadidy has interviewed numerous high-profile international and Arab figures, including former U.S. Secretary of State Hillary Clinton, former British Prime Minister Tony Blair, Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas, and world-renowned surgeon Sir Magdi Yacoub, solidifying her status as an influential interviewer on the global stage.

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