

Book your places now for Egyphila 2026 in Cairo!

Hot on the heels of the massive Boston 2026 Expo, Study Circle members are gearing up for another fascinating and attractive international. This is the **Egyphila 2026 exhibition in Cairo**: a message from Jon Aitchison (EC 611), the UK Commissioner, explains the details for UK members and how to exhibit.



The exhibition takes place from Thursday 17 September until Saturday 19 September at the Egypt Digital Creativity Centre in Giza, a wonderfully refurbished former annex to Giza Palace and close to Cairo University. It has FEPA patronage and can accept exhibits for all FIP classes. For those members who cannot attend, Jon will transport all UK exhibits to and from the exhibition, and will bring back medals, certificates and special prizes.

The cost of exhibiting is pleasantly low. Single frame entries are US\$50 but 5 or 8 frame entries are only US\$40 per frame. If you are a member of the Philatelic Society of Egypt (Egyptian Philatelic Society) you get a **50% discount** off those frame fees. So single frames will be US\$25 and multiple frames US\$20, a real bargain!

Please be aware that these discounts do not apply to membership of the UK-based Egypt Study Circle, unless they are also in the PSE. In addition to the exhibition frame fees, there is a UK handling and transportation charge of £15 per frame. This additional charge is towards the £260 UK Customs fees and excess baggage. It does not contribute towards the Commissioner's flights, hotel or other expenses.

For planning purposes it will be a great help if you could indicate as soon as possible whether you are likely to enter and how many frames you think you will want. It will not commit you at this stage and is purely for planning. Entries can be on any subject or of any country. They do not have to be Egypt exhibits.

Hany Salam, President of the Philatelic Society of Egypt, adds:

We are delighted to invite our ESC colleagues to take part in Egyphila 2026, officially recognized by the Federation of European Philatelic Associations (FEPA). The exhibition is held under the patronage of the Egyptian Ministry of Communications and Information Technology and the Egyptian Postal Authority.

The exhibition will bring together a select group of federations, collectors and enthusiasts from England, Greece, Cyprus, Croatia and several Arab countries. We are also honoured to host Mr Bill Hedley, President of the FEPA, and the judging will be carried out by an international jury team.

This exhibition is a fantastic opportunity to showcase rare collections, exchange expertise, and highlight the historical and cultural value of postage stamps.

Dr Mohamed Omar, our General Commissioner for this edition of the show, will be happy to share all the details with you—covering customs, accommodation, and logistics. He will make sure everything runs smoothly for you and your participating members.

Please don't hesitate to reach out if you have any questions. We would truly love to have you with us for this special event.

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