

## **Dr. Konrad Pesendorfer**



Dr. Konrad Pesendorfer is Chief Statistician of the General Authority for Statistics (GASTAT) of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. From 2020 to June 2022 he was President of the General Authority for Statistics (GASTAT), reforming the institute and preparing the hand-over to a local President of the authority. Before that, he was Director General of Statistics Austria for ten years, being responsible for all statistical matters and international affairs. He represented Austria in the European Statistical System Committee (ESSC), the top decision making body of the European Statistical System. Mr. Pesendorfer was chairman of the OECD's Committee on Statistics and Statistical Policy between 2016 and 2019, he was Co-Chair (together with India) of the International Comparison Program Governing Board of the UN/ WorldBank, set up to calculate worldwide Purchasing Power Parities. He was a member of the Austrian Fiscal Council, assessing and advising the government on fiscal policy issues, as well as President of the Austrian Statistical Society between 2017 and 2019.

Mr. Pesendorfer studied economics at the Vienna University of Economics and Business Administration and holds a Ph.D. in economics. He was lecturer on international economics at the H.E.C. Business School in Paris and at the Institut d'Etudes Politiques de Paris (Sciences Po) in Paris.

Dr. Konrad Pesendorfer will discuss his experience and leading GASTAT to develop a comprehensive data ecosystem, with particular emphasis on Economic statistics, in support of the national strategy and vision 2030, and the partnerships he built in the production, dissemination and use of statistics and data for evidence-based policy.