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**Senate resolution for immediate and unconditional release of Ahmed Samir Santawy**

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Central European University stands for academic and political freedom, dignity and human rights. On the occasion of his retrial while still imprisoned in Egypt, the CEU Senate calls for the immediate and unconditional release of CEU Master's student Ahmed Samir Santawy. As the UN Working Group on Arbitrary Detention has found, Ahmed has been detained for more than a year arbitrarily and in contravention of the Universal Declaration on Human Rights, merely for exercising his freedom of opinion and expression as a researcher and as a private citizen.