## Saudi continues regional reshuffle in hosting Egypt's Sisi, opening to Assad

The meeting between President Abdel Fattah al-Sisi and Saudi Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman comes as Egypt faces a deepening economic crisis and the region witnesses major realignments.

Saudi Arabia is advancing multiple regional diplomatic tracks in hosting Egypt's President Abdel Fattah al-Sisi, and mulling restoration of relations with Syria's Bashar al-Assad ahead of the Arab League summit in May that the kingdom is hosting.

On Monday, Sisi met with Saudi Arabia's Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman during a visit to the the Red Sea city of Jeddah. According to the official Saudi Press Agency, the two leaders discussed the historical relations between the two countries and ways to boost bilateral cooperation in various fields as well as the latest regional developments.

Sisi arrived in Jeddah on Sunday night, where he was welcomed by the crown prince, the kingdom's de facto ruler.

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