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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Welcome to the 33rd issue of the President's News Digest.

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On Tuesday, 14 June 2016, the accreditation group met to check progress and provide further evidence that serve preparing the Self Evaluation Report (SER), which is due to be submitted as part of the accreditation process. I am grateful for the hard work of Dr Roy and Ustaza Monia and the rest of the team in progressing this very important activity.

On the evening of Wednesday, 8 June 2016, the Chairman of the Board of Directors and in the presence of the Chairman of the Board of Trustees, BOT members, the President and the Director of Administration and Finance, received in the Majlis of the Late Abdulla Nass, God Bless His Soul, many important figures, ambassadors and influential dignitaries. HE the British ambassador and his deputy paid a kind visit to the Majlis.

On the evening of 15 June 2016, the Chairman of the Board of Directors, the Chairman of the Board of Trustees, and the President visited the Majlis of HE the Minister for Education, Dr Majed Alnuaimi.

On Sunday, 12 June 2016, the New Programme Launch Committee that deals with the launch of new programs with British Universities met to put some solid preparation in place. The HEC met last Tuesday the 14 June 2016 and we are optimistic to hear good news about our programmes. All leaflets, brochures, marketing materials, video, web site, registration form, and other promoting material are almost ready, with minor final touches needed, to get permission from HEC to advertise for new programmes.

What's New?





On Saturday, 18 June 2016, the Chairman of the Board of Trustees hosted an iftar for all university staff to celebrate Mr. Mohammed Yousif's recent doctorate degree. We congratulate Dr Yousif over this nice gathering that shows the team spirit we enjoy at ASU.

I would like to finish this message by encouraging our colleagues of the college of Administrative Sciences to exert the best of their will to turn the limited confidence programmes into full confidence. This is certainly their first priority for the coming few months in order to achieve success and enhance the college and university reputation.

OXFORD BUSINESS GROUP

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Clementine stated that Oxford Business Group publishes annual reports on emerging markets globally and is offering Applied Science University students and staff a free digital subscription to our entire library of reports.

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DR. MOHAMMAD AL-HAMAMI ATTEND THE FIRST TRAINERS FORUM

Dr. Mohammad Al-Hamami, Assistant Professor in the Management Information Systems Department and member of the Community Engagement Office of the University participated in the First Trainers Forum which was organised by Vigilance Consulting. The two-day forum was held at the Sheraton Hotel during the period 11-12 June 2016 in Kingdom of Bahrain.



The forum is the first of its kind in Bahrain, which included a group of skilled and most prominent trainers and facilitators (coaches) in Bahrain and the region in the disciplines of human resources and training.





CHALLENGES CREATED FORUM

On behalf of the Community Engagement Office, Prof Saad Darwish attended the Forum of "Challenges Created Success" on 16 June 2016. The forum was held under the patronage of the Minister of Labor and Social Development and organised by the Bahrain Society for Training & Development. The event aimed to support blind people who in turn delivered presentations on how they overcome the challenges they face in their lives to reach success.



The president of the Bahrain Society for Training & Development, Mr. Mohammed Mahmoud gave a speech about the role of society in developing the intellectual capital in Bahrain. Mr Yousef Albader from BIPA and Mr Isaac Al-Kooheji participated in the event.

ENTREPRENEURSHIP COURSE

On 16 June 2016 Ms. Nada Al Alawi, Founder of Annada and board member of the Bahrain Economic Development Board was a guest speaker at ASU. She delivered a heart-warming and motivational speech encouraging our students of the Entrepreneurship course MHRM to believe in themselves and to make their dreams come true.



Annada have started a journey in partnership with various Middle Eastern artists who have allowed their beautiful works of art to be transformed into luxurious silk scarves. Annada brings together the essence of art, fashion and romance all in one medium.

IFTAR TO STAFF

On Saturday, 18 June 2016, the Chairman of the Board of Trustees hosted an iftar for all university staff in celebration of Mr. Mohammed Yousif's recent doctorate degree which was attended by more than 150 employees. ASU aims at cultivating friendship and promoting social interaction among staff across departments, along with sharing Ramadan spirit.



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"COURSE PORTFOLIO STATUS & READINESS" WORKSHOP

The Business Administration Department initiated and conducted a feedback workshop, titled "Course Portfolio Status & Readiness" two weeks ago to provide faculty members with the comments raised by the committee who have been assigned to review the first semester course portfolios.





Valuable comments were provided to faculty members in terms of further improvement and common issues. This session was found beneficial from the newly joined faculty as it gave insights to what reviewers will be looking at and the coherence of the course portfolio from teaching/learning to assessment and monitoring further improvement through course file report.

REMINDER OF THE WEEK

ASU Annual Ramadan Ghabga – 24 June 2016 @ 10:00pm at Awal Hall, Gulf Hotel

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

“A leader's job is not to do the work for others, it's to help others figure out how to do it themselves, to get things done, and to succeed beyond what they thought possible”.

Simon Sinek



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