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Welcome to the 9^h issue of the 7^h volume of the President's News Digest.

In this issue Prof. Ghassan Aouad, President the University will address the subject of :" Horse Racing Event"

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Message from the President Horse Racing Event

On the 24th of December, Rashid Equestrian and horseracing club organized the usual annual horse racing event that was sponsored by Nass Corporation, Nass The Group, Sarens | Nass The Group, Dodson & Horrell, Blue Dawn, Applied Science University (ASU), and Gulf City. The University has sponsored the 2nd race under the name of Applied Science University Cup. The event took place in the Presence of HH Sheikh Isa Bin Salman AI Khalifa, the Chairman of the Board of Directors Mr Sameer Nass, the Chairman of the Board of Trustees Prof Waheeb AI Khaja, the President of the University Prof Ghassan Aouad, VP Dr Mohamed Yousif, Advisor to the President, Mr Abdulla Alkhaja, and other colleagues from ASU and Nass the group.



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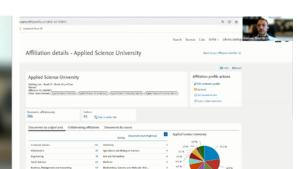
On behalf of the University, the Chairman of the Board of Trustees awarded the Lup to HH Sheikh Khaled bin Ali Al Khalifa as his horse won the race.

The event was very enjoyable and an ideal place to promote the University and its achievements.



SCOPUS Overview Workshop

On Dec 9th, 2021, Academic Staff Development Unit (ASDU) in collaboration with Library and Information Services Directorate held a workshop titled "SCOPUS Overview Workshop" which was delivered by Mr. Wael Mansour - Research Consultant ELSEVIER. This workshop came to expand the use of SCOPUS database and services and to emphasize on the role of SCOPUS in research authenticity and academic integrity. The workshop covered the importance of SCOPUS, overview about the SCOPUS statistics, and different searching options, such as: search by affiliation, author, publisher, journal/conference title, publication title, keywords and others. Dr. Ammar AlJalamneh- Director of Library and Information Services Directorate thanked Mr. Wael for his great presentation and the audience for attending this important workshop.







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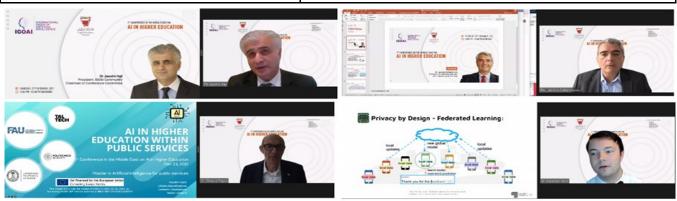


On Dec 23rd, 2021, Computer Science Academic Staff and Students attended the Online Conference: "Artificial Intelligence in Higher Education Conference". This conference is organized by the Global Artificial Intelligence Group, in partnership with Shaikh Nasser Artificial Intelligence Research and Development Centre, which is the first virtual Bahrain International Conference on Artificial Intelligence in Higher Education. The event was held under the patronage of Higher Education Council Secretary General and deputy chairperson of its board of trustees Dr Shaikha Rana bint Isa bin Daij Al Khalifa.

Dr. Shaikha Rana bint Isa bin Daij Al Khalifa thanked the organisers of the conference which sheds light on an important issue which is artificial intelligence in higher education. She said the conference is deemed the first initiative in the Middle East to discuss this issue through an elite of international keynote speakers and specialists. The HEC Secretary General reviewed the benefits of artificial intelligence in higher education, especially the circumstances dictated by the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic. She noted that artificial intelligence has become an integral part of higher education due to the precautionary measures imposed by the pandemic. Dr. Shaikha Rana wished the conference every success in the coming up with recommendations that will enable the higher education establishments to extend the use of the artificial intelligence applications and improve the educational output (BNA).

President of the Artificial Intelligence Society Bahrain and ICT researcher Dr. Jassim Haji thanked Dr. Shaikha Rana for patronizing the conference and including AI in the Bahraini universities and developing its curricula in line with the requirements of the labor market. Dr. Hajji added that the conference will focus on exchanging experiences and studies from many countries in the field of AI and on ways for academics, administrators and students to benefit from them (module). The conference started by an inauguration speech delivered by H.E. Dr Shaikha Rana bin Isa bin Daij AI Khalifa, then a welcome note by conference chairman: Dr Jassim Haji, President, International Group of Artificial Intelligence. The conference covered the following topics which is delivered by the keynote speakers and specialists:

Topic	Speaker
Introduction by the moderator	Aco Momcilovic, Co-Director & Co-Founder, Global Al Ethics Institute
Artificial Intelligence in Higher Education Research	Dr. Lorenzo Cotino Hueso, Professor of Constitutional Law at the University of Valencia
Artificial Intelligence in Higher Education within Public Services	Dr Claudio Feijoo, Professor, Technical University of Madrid (UPM)
Al and Data Privacy in Higher Education	Sam Saarinen, Founder of Edapt Technologies



Presentation of Find an Artist Smartphone Application – BA161 -Introduction to Entrepreneurship



On Dec 7th, 2021, three students of computer science programme (Abdullah Quadir, Mohammad Dawood, and Abdulrahman Yousif) who are studying BA161 -Introduction to Entrepreneurship course, presented their application titled: *Find an Artist Smartphone Application*. The lecturer of BA161 course and the supervisor of the project Ms.Manal AlMatrook the academic staff in the Department of Business Administration and the Director of Business Incubation Centre who emphasized on the importance of collaboration between different departments in ASU and Business Incubation Centre to bring such a brilliant ideas to the market and benefit from the skillful and knowledgeable students.

The main motive which led to the creation of this app was the student personal hardships which they faced while searching for platforms where they could connect with and hire artists. Essentially, there was a market gap where connection between the providers of a service (artists) and customers of that service (art consumers) was difficult to establish. The students have browsed the web for apps which provide these types of services in Bahrain and found none. This app was made with a personal goal to make commissioning of artists, as well as purchasing of art, easier for the people of Bahrain. This platform was created with the aim to gather different artists from different culture all in a single community, where purchasing and portraying their arts and crafts has been made simpler.

The presentation attended by Prof.Ayman AlDmoor Acting Dean of College of Arts and Science, Dr. Faiza Zitouni - Assistant Vice President for Academic Affairs and Development, Dr. Moaiad Khder HoD of Computer Science Department, Dr. Mohammad AbelDayem HoD of Design and Arts Department, and Dr. Mahmood Murad-Associate Professor in Graphics design Programme. The audience thanked the students for their work and gave them some comments to improve their application and they praised the efforts of Business Incubation Centre represented by Ms. Manal AlMatrook and her role in teaching BA161 -Introduction to Entrepreneurship.



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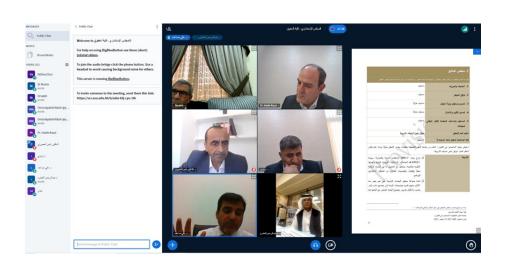
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Quote of the Week

"The people must have ownership in the vision. They need to be enabled to accomplish it. If there is one investment you should make, it is in people. "

- Modesta Lilian Mbughuni

من روائع الشعر العربي

مَنْ لَمْ يَكُنْ بِالْكَفَافِ مُقْتَنِعًا لَمْ تَكْفِهِ الْأَرْضُ كُلُّهَا ذَهَبُ مَنْ أَمْكَنَ الشَّكَّ مِنْ عَزِيمَتِهِ لَمْ يَزَلِ الرَّأْيُ مِنْهُ يَضْطَرِبُ مَنْ عَرَفَ الدَّهْرَ لَمْ يَزَلُ حَذِرًا يَحْدَرُ شِدَّاتِهِ وَيَرْتَقِبُ مَنْ لَزِمَ الْحِقْدَ لَمْ يَزَلُ كَمِدًا مَنْ لَزِمَ الْحِقْدَ لَمْ يَزَلُ كَمِدًا تُغْرِقُهُ فِي بُحُورِهَا الْكُرَبُ

- أبو العتاهية