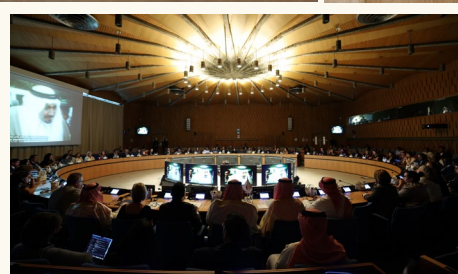


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Prince Abdulaziz bin Talal Concludes International Visit to France to Strengthen AGFUND's Development Partnerships.



His Royal Highness Prince Abdulaziz bin Talal bin Abdulaziz, Chairman of AGFUND, concluded an international visit to France aimed at strengthening partnerships in education, development, culture, and impact financing. The visit included meetings with UNESCO, the OECD, the French Development Agency, and other French and international institutions, with discussions focusing on renewing the AGFUND–UNESCO partnership and advancing cooperation in open education, artificial intelligence, digital inclusion, women's empowerment, tourism and hospitality, and development finance. Prince Abdulaziz bin Talal emphasized the importance of moving beyond traditional financing toward practical and sustainable development solutions that create tangible impact and strengthen the contribution of Gulf and Arab institutions to global development.



AOU Director Welcomes Visiting Prof. Khaled Hussein on a Scientific Visit – Kuwait

Dr. Salah Saleh Al-Hammadi, Director of the Arab Open University in Kuwait, welcomed Prof. Khaled Hussein, Visiting Professor at Bangor University in the United Kingdom, during his two-day academic visit to the university, hosted by the Faculty of Administrative Studies. The visit reflects the Arab Open University's commitment to enhancing the research and publication skills of its faculty members and researchers, particularly in academic publishing and engaging with peer-reviewed journals. The programme includes a number of academic activities and meetings aimed at exchanging expertise and knowledge, supporting the university's efforts to enhance the quality of its research and strengthen its presence in the international academic community.



Arab Foundation for Peace and Development Honours AOU Presidents – Egypt

The Arab Foundation for Peace and Development honoured Prof. Mohammed Al-Zakari, President of the Arab Open University across the Arab world, and Prof. Mohammed Samir Hamza, President of AOU Egypt, highlighting the vital role of education and law in building individuals and societies and promoting justice, equality, integrity, and the rule of law. Both presidents expressed their appreciation for the recognition and its significance in supporting efforts to uphold these values and serve society.



AOU College of Education Holds Orientation for New Students – Egypt

The AOU College of Education organized an orientation session for new students for the new academic year, introducing them to the college, its academic programmes, study systems, university services, and activities, while supporting their smooth integration into university life from the start of their academic journey.



AOU Hosts Inclusive Macramé Training Course – Kuwait

Under the patronage and in the presence of Farwaniya Governor Sheikh Athbi Nasser Al-Athbi Al-Sabah, and attended by AOU Kuwait Director Dr. Salah Al-Hammadi, the Arab Open University hosted an inclusive macramé training course organized by Jusoor International Consulting Services, with support from the Development Charity Association and in cooperation with the Public Authority for Disability Affairs.



AOU Egypt Hosts Course Assessment Committee Meeting with The Open University UK – Egypt

AOU Egypt hosted a Course Assessment Committee (CAC) meeting attended by academic leaders, external examiners, representatives from The Open University UK, and quality and accreditation officials. The meeting reviewed student assessment results, the alignment of assessment tools with learning outcomes, and reports and feedback from external examiners.



Two Arab Open University Students Honored at the UNESCO Global Forum on the Ethics of AI 2026 – Saudi Arabia

The ICAIRE International Center honored students Wafa Al-Saif and Tasneem Rahonji of Arab Open University during the forum, in recognition of their participation in the second cohort of the Elevate initiative, which aims to empower women and strengthen their presence in the field of artificial intelligence.



AOU Wins "Innovative Product" Award and Signs Strategic Partnership with Injaz Saudi Arabia – Saudi Arabia

The university's "Scholy" project won the Innovative Product Award at the Injaz Saudi Arabia Awards for Saudi universities. During the ceremony, the university also signed a strategic partnership with Injaz Saudi Arabia to support initiatives that empower students in innovation and entrepreneurship.



AOU Concludes Its Participation in the "Aati Li Ikhtiyari" Fair by the Awail Initiative – Jordan

AOU concluded its participation in the fair, held at the Landmark Hotel in Amman, which drew a strong turnout of high school students and their families. The university's pavilion saw notable engagement from visitors, who learned about the academic programs and majors it offers.



Arab Open University Visits King Hamad American Mission Hospital to Strengthen Cooperation – Bahrain

Dr. Najma Taqi, President of Arab Open University, led the university's delegation on a visit to the hospital, where they met Dr. George Cherian, Corporate CEO and Chief Medical Officer, to strengthen communication and explore cooperation opportunities with healthcare institutions in Bahrain.



AOU Participates in the Third Edition of the Universities Fair – Bahrain

The university took part in the third Universities Fair, organized by the Graduates Club in Adliya and opened by Dr. Diana Abdulkarim Al-Jahromi, Secretary-General of the Higher Education Council. The participation reflects the university's commitment to engaging directly with students and those interested in higher education.



AOU Training Program Aims to Improve Performance in Government Media Work Environments – Oman

The university's Training Academy delivered a "Lean Management in the Government Media Work Environment" program for the Ministry of Information, presented by Dr. Khamis Al-Kulaibi. It aims to simplify procedures, reduce waste, and improve process flow, efficiency, and output quality.



AOU President Receives Acting Head of the Saudi Cultural Bureau – Jordan

Prof. Tahrir Hamdi, President of the university, received Prof. Mohammed bin Khuzaim Al-Shamri, Acting Head of the Saudi Cultural Bureau in Jordan, to discuss ways of strengthening cooperation. The meeting also reviewed the university's key academic programs and their alignment with current and future labor market needs.



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AOU Wins Second Place in "Intelligence4Impact" with an Innovative Air Quality Monitoring Project – Saudi Arabia

Students Jana Al-Qasim and Zainab Kamel of Arab Open University won second place in the Intelligence4Impact: Creative Sparks Challenge, held as part of WIDS PSU 2026, for their innovative project AirSense Riyadh, continuing the university's strong presence in scientific and technical competitions.



Student Participation Enhances Practical and Professional Experience in the "Manahil Al-Ezz" Program – Oman

Student Maisa Al-Mahrouqi of Arab Open University took part in the "Manahil Al-Ezz" summer training program after being nominated to join. The program aims to develop students' skills and enrich their practical and professional experience, and it concluded with a graduation ceremony for participants.



Fursa Program Concludes with Five of Our Students Hired – Kuwait

The "Fursa" program, run by the university in collaboration with Moshtari, concluded after training students in persuasion, negotiation, customer communication, and business thinking. Five outstanding students were hired to join the Moshtari team, highlighting the value of linking training with real work experience.



AOU Kicks Off the 2026–2027 Academic Year with a Welcome Gathering for Staff Across Its Centers – Saudi Arabia

AOU held its annual welcome gathering to mark the start of the 2026–2027 academic year, with staff from its centers joining via live broadcast. The event reflected the university's commitment to strengthening communication across its sectors and branches and aligning efforts toward its academic and administrative goals.