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Prince Abdulaziz bin Talal Among Forbes' Middle East Sustainability Leaders for 2026 – Headquarters

Forbes Middle East has selected His Royal Highness Prince Abdulaziz bin Talal bin Abdulaziz Al Saud, Chairman of the Arab Gulf Programme for Development (AGFUND), for its list of Middle East Sustainability Leaders 2026, in recognition of his role in leading the programme's development efforts and promoting initiatives that contribute to achieving sustainable development and improving quality of life. Prince Abdulaziz bin Talal has chaired AGFUND since 2020, continuing the journey of the programme, which was established in 1980 and is headquartered in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. The programme works to support development initiatives in cooperation with partners and institutions concerned with development around the world. In addition to chairing AGFUND's Board of Directors, Prince Abdulaziz chairs the programme's Supreme Investment Committee, the Prince Talal International Prize for Human Development Committee, the Board of Trustees of the Arab Open University, the Board of Trustees of the Arab Women Center for Training and Research, the Arab Council for Childhood and Development, and the Board of Trustees of the Abdulaziz bin Talal and Sura bint Saud Foundation for Humanitarian Development (AHYAA).



AOU Welcomes Gulf University for Science and Technology Delegation – Kuwait

The Arab Open University welcomed a delegation from Gulf University for Science and Technology to discuss opportunities for academic, scientific, and research cooperation, including the exchange of expertise and the development of academic partnerships to support education.



AOU President Honors Outstanding Students and Reviews Future Plans – Madinah, Saudi Arabia

AOU President Prof. Ali bin Mohammed Al-Shahrani visited the university's Madinah branch, where he was welcomed by Branch Director Dr. Abdullah Al-Tayeb Al-Mulaiss. The visit included reviewing achievements, ongoing work, and plans for academic and administrative development.



AOU Delegation Visits Arab Academy to Explore AI and IT Cooperation – Headquarters

AOU President Prof. Mohammed Al-Zakari, accompanied by an AOU Egypt delegation led by Prof. Mohammed Hamza, visited the Arab Academy for Science, Technology and Maritime Transport. The meeting with Academy President Dr. Ismail Abdel Ghafar focused on strengthening cooperation and exploring partnerships in emerging fields.



AOU Holds Workshop on AI and Future Career Skills – Bahrain

AOU's Training, Continuing Education, and Community Service Department organized an interactive workshop titled "Who Will Take Your Job? AI or Your Colleague Who Knows How to Use It?" presented by Ms. Sharifa Al-Alawi, highlighting the importance of adapting to technological developments and strengthening future career skills.

AOU Jordan Celebrates the Graduation of Its 20th and 21st Cohorts – “Al-Nashama Cohort”



The Arab Open University in Jordan celebrated the graduation of its twentieth and twenty-first cohorts of bachelor's, higher diploma, and master's students under the slogan “Al-Nashama Cohort,” under the patronage of His Royal Highness Prince Abdulaziz bin Talal bin Abdulaziz, Chairman of the University's Board of Trustees. The ceremony was attended by Prof. Mohammed bin Ibrahim Al-Zakari, President of the Arab Open University in the Arab World; Prof. Tahrir Hamdi, Director of the University in Jordan; as well as a number of invited guests, graduates' families, and members of the academic and administrative staff. In his speech during the ceremony, HRH Prince Abdulaziz bin Talal emphasized the importance of this milestone in the graduates' journeys, commending their efforts and determination to complete their education and congratulating them and their families on this achievement. He also paid tribute to the University's founder, His Royal Highness Prince Talal bin Abdulaziz, may he rest in peace, noting that since its establishment.



AOU Kuwait Achieves Second Place in National Cybersecurity League – Kuwait

AOU's Black Phantom team secured second place in the Kuwait Cybersecurity League, held at Grand Hyatt Kuwait on 16 October, competing against 150 teams from 12 universities, government entities, and cybersecurity companies. This achievement highlights the students' technical skills, analytical abilities, and competitive spirit in the rapidly growing field of cybersecurity.



ACEC Holds Professional Development Workshop on AI in Education – Antelias, Lebanon

ACEC organized a professional development workshop titled "Artificial Intelligence in Education" at AOU's Antelias Center, led by Eng. Johnny Nasser. The workshop aimed to equip academic staff with hands-on experience in using AI tools in the educational process.



AOU Organizes Breast Cancer Awareness Event – Bahrain

AOU's Student and Alumni Affairs Department organized a breast cancer awareness event titled "Between Awareness and Hope... Life Begins" to promote health awareness among students and the community. The initiative reflects the University's commitment to supporting health and social causes and raising awareness of prevention and early detection.



AOU Signs MoU with Jeem.ai to Enhance Cooperation in AI and Scientific Research – Jordan

AOU in Jordan signed a Memorandum of Understanding with Jeem.ai, developer of the AI-powered Arabic answer engine "Jeem." The agreement aims to strengthen cooperation in artificial intelligence, digital transformation, scientific and technical research, and expand student and youth participation in related initiatives.



AOU Participates in Smart Education Expo 2026 – Bahrain

AOU participated in the inaugural Smart Education Expo 2026 at the Bahrain International Exhibition Centre in Al Zallaq, alongside educational institutions, universities, and organizations specializing in education, technology, and knowledge. The participation reflects the University's commitment to engaging with the educational community and promoting its academic programmes and learning opportunities.



AOU and Jeddah Al-Birr Association Explore Cooperation in Social Responsibility and Student Scholarships – Jeddah, Saudi Arabia

The Arab Open University and Jeddah Al-Birr Association explored opportunities to strengthen cooperation in social responsibility and student scholarships, aiming to expand educational opportunities, empower students, and promote sustainable development.