

# Electronic Newsletter

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President Office





### AOU Signs MoU with CAWTAR in Tunisia – Headquarters

AOU signed a Memorandum of Understanding with the Center of Arab Women for Training and Research (CAWTAR) in Tunis to enhance regional cooperation in meeting media, sustainable development, and gender equality. The agreement, signed by AOU President Prof. Mohammad Al-Zakari and CAWTAR Executive Director Prof. Sakina Bouraoui, aims to promote awareness and capacity building on women's and media issues in line with the 2030 Sustainable Development Goals.



### AGFUND Approves New Development Projects Under the Chairmanship of Prince Abdulaziz bin Talal – AGFUND

The Arab Gulf Programme for Development (AGFUND) held its 31st semi-annual board meeting on July 9, 2025, in Riyadh, chaired by HRH Prince Abdulaziz bin Talal. The meeting reviewed AGFUND's mid-year achievements, discussed proposed development projects for funding, and highlighted the winners of the 2024 Prince Talal International Prize for Human Development, focused on SDG 14: "Life Below Water." The board reaffirmed its support for development initiatives and efforts to strengthen food security.



### AOU Kuwait Hosts Biennial Partnership Conference with The UK Open University – Headquarters

AOU hosted The Biennial Partnership Conference with the UK Open University at its Kuwait headquarters on July 7–8, 2025. Attended by senior management and experts from both institutions, the conference addressed AOU's latest academic developments, challenges in aligning education with labor market needs, and key topics such as sustainability, green campus initiatives, entrepreneurship, student wellbeing, and leadership preparation for graduates. The event also featured dialogue sessions to foster academic collaboration and knowledge exchange.



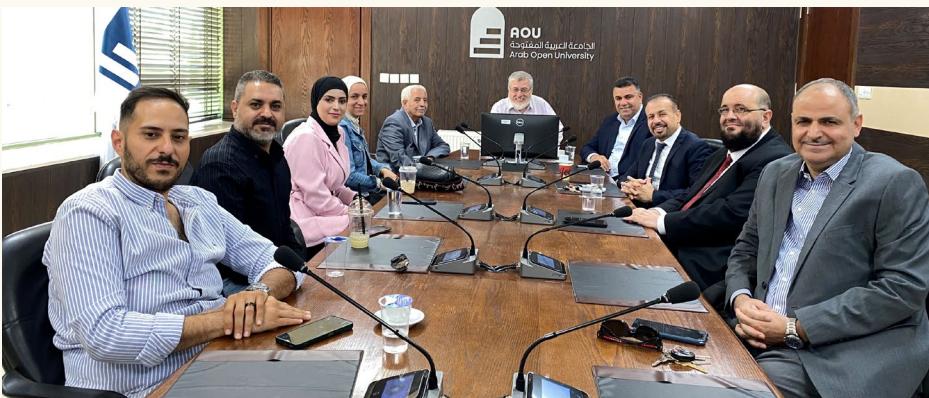
### AOU Begins Approval Process for Second Semester Results in Collaboration with UK Open University - Kuwait

AOU has begun the process of approving second semester results for the current academic year, in collaboration with its academic partner, the Open University in the UK. The process involves representatives from AOU branches across the Arab region, along with external examiners and academic staff from both universities. This initiative ensures the approval of student grades with transparency and accuracy, in line with the highest international academic standards.



### Supreme Council of Universities' Computing Sector Committee Visits AOU Egypt for Program Equivalency Review - Egypt

AOU Egypt welcomed a visit from the Computing Sector Committee of the Supreme Council of Universities, upon invitation from the Faculty of Computer Studies. The committee, headed by Prof. Nabila Hassan and including Prof. Mohamed Khafagy and Prof. Nancy El-Hefnawy, visited as part of the process to renew the equivalency of academic programs in Computer Science, Cybersecurity, and Artificial Intelligence, Data Science, and Web Development.



### AOU Jordan Holds First Advisory Board Meeting for Master's in Educational Technology Program - Jordan

AOU Jordan's Master's in Educational Technology program held its first Advisory Board meeting to review academic plans and update learning outcomes in line with technological advancements and national qualification standards.



### AOU Egypt Celebrates Student Innovation at Final Show 2025 Graduation Exhibition - Egypt

AOU Egypt held the Final Show 2025 graduation exhibition, showcasing student projects in Cybersecurity, Computer Science, and Artificial Intelligence. The event was organized by the Student Council with support from the Creativity Committee and supervision from Ms. Samar Dawood, under the patronage of Prof. Nermin Khodr, University President, and Prof. Eid Al-Omari, Dean of the Faculty of Computer Studies.



### AOU Jordan Holds Orientation Workshop on Abdul Hameed Shoman Fund for Scientific Research 2025 - Jordan

AOU Jordan organized an orientation workshop on the Abdul Hameed Shoman Fund for Scientific Research 2025, attended by the university director, faculty members, postgraduate students, and researchers. The workshop aimed to explain the application process for research funding, highlight available support for applied research, and outline key themes and eligibility criteria. It also provided a platform for participants to ask questions, enhancing their chances of securing funding for impactful research projects.



### AOU Oman and University of Nizwa Explore Collaboration in Innovation and Student Projects - Oman

AOU Oman's Innovation Center welcomed a delegation from the University of Nizwa to discuss collaboration in innovation and student project support. The visit focused on exchanging expertise and exploring future partnership opportunities.