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Al-Madinah International University (MEDIU) received an honored guest from Qassim University, Saudi Arabia; Sheikh Abdurrahman Bin Abdul Aziz Bin Saleh Bin Muhammad Al-'Aql on Thursday, 7 January 2016. Sheikh Abdurrahman is a lecturer at the Department of Hadith, Faculty of Law and imam/preacher at Ibn Qayyim Mosque. The honored was accompanied by the Former Religious Attaché of The Kingdom of Saudi Arabia Embassy, Sheikh Abdul Rahman Al-Bulaihi.

The delegates was welcomed by CEO, Prof. Dr. Muhammad Khalifa Al-Tamimi in the presence of Deputy CEO R&D Division, Assoc. Prof.Dr.AB Rahim Ismail; Deputy CEO Student Affairs Division, Prof. Dr. Hj. Wan Yusoff Sulaiman; Manager of Administrative Affairs Division, Mr. Fuad Ahmad Al'As; Dean of Scientific Research, Assoc.Prof. Dr. Sekou Toure and Public Relations personnel.



Visual presentations of the University's and its history; which provides an overview of the University's faculties and academic programs were being presented to the honored guest. The honored guest expressed his gladness of visiting MEDIU to have closer insights on the achievements by the University's. Sheikh Abdurrahman was honored to deliver a discourse session related to the technical and career skills as educators based on his research and

experiences. The program was moderated by Dean of Scientific Research, Dr. Sekou Toure which lasted for two hours and was participated by the university staff and students.

Later, the honored guest made an office tour to view the academic and administrative facilities closely and were particularly impressed by the level MEDIU's has reached and expressed his admiration in the guestbook saying; "Praise be to God for the opportunity to visit Al-Madinah International University and was delighted to see the tremendous achievements of the Islamic university that is still young, good organization and accuracy of work in academic achievement and development of the university. We ask Allah SWT to give the benefits to the university and bless their efforts."

Visit by Former Deputy Minister of Education, Dato' Haji Khalid Yunos

Al-Madinah International University (MEDIU) hosted an honored guest, Dato' Haji Khalid Yunos; Former Deputy Minister of Education, Deputy Minister of Information and Deputy Minister of Land and Regional Development on Wednesday, 13 January 2016. The honoured guest was welcomed by MEDIU's Honorable CEO; Prof. Dr. Mohammad Khalifa Al-Tamimi along with the Deputy CEO of Academic Affairs Division; Assoc.Prof.Dr Hj. Wan Mat Hj Sulaiman, Deputy CEO of Research and Development; Assoc. Prof. Dr. AB Rahim Ismail, Deputy CEO of Students Affairs Division; Prof. Dr. Hj. Wan Sulaiman Bin Wan Yusoff, Dean of Faculty of Engineering; Prof. Ir. Dr. Wan Mahmood Wan Ab. Majid and PR Coordinator; Mr. Ahmad Fallatah.



The honored guest expressed his privileged of visiting MEDIU and meeting with Honorable CEO as well as expressed his admiration on MEDIU's establishment in the Malaysia. Honorable CEO states that Malaysia is also known as kiblah of knowledge seekers for students from all over the world; thus it has attracted diversity cultural of students to pursue their education here in MEDIU. University' introduction presentation, its goals as well as the faculties and programs available and educational administrative process were presented by Mr.Ahmad Fallatah. At the end of the visit, a token of appreciation were given to the honored guest and were taken for a short tour to view the University's facilities.

Visit to the Office of the Secretary General, Ministry of Higher Education Malaysia

Al-Madinah International University (MEDIU) has made an official visit to the Office of the Secretary General, Ministry of Higher Education, Honorable Dato 'Seri Ir. Dr. Zaini Ujang on Thursday, 21 January 2016. The visit was led by MEDIU's Honorable CEO, Prof. Dr. Mohammad Khalifa Al-Tamimi and accompanied by Deputy CEO Academic Affairs Division, Assoc.Prof.Dr.Wan Mat Wan Sulaiman and Manager of Administrative Affairs Division, Mr.Fuad Ahmad Umar Al'As.



The delegates was welcomed by Dato 'Seri Ir. Dr. Zaini at his office in Putrajaya and welcomes the presence of university's management in the framework to discuss several matters relating to the approval of academic programmes, the latest development of the university and discussing several matters in regards to the relationship between the university and the ministry. The Secretary General reported that the Ministry of Higher Education will

accelerate the university's file and show that the ministry is considering MEDIU as an exemplary model of a modern university. In the same context, he stated that one of the factors used by the Ministry of Higher Education to assess the performance of universities is the growing rate of students and the role of universities in research studies and commented that the university should consider this issue as a matter of principle and give greater attention.



MEDIU attended Opening Ceremony of IQRAA Institute for Learning Arabic New Building



Al-Madinah International University (MEDIU) attended the ceremony of the newly building launched of IQRAA Institute for Learning Arabic in Kuala Lumpur on Saturday, 30 January 2016. MEDIU's delegates were led by Honorable CEO; Prof. Dr. Mohammad Khalifa Al-Tamimi, Faculty of Languages representatives namely Assoc. Prof.Dr Daud Abdul Quadir Elega, Asst. Prof. Dr. Elsayed Mohamed Salem and Asst. Prof. Dr. Flayyih Mudhhi Ahmed along with

Head of Corporate Services; Mr.Abduloh Usof and Head of Public Relations, Mr.Jamaluddin Hussain. Among others present during the ceremony were H.E Mr.Fahad Abdullah Al-Rashid, Ambassador of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and representatives from various Middle East embassies.

During the ceremony, MEDIU also had the opportunity to signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with IQRAA Institute for Learning Arabic and expressed his gladness of the signing session which comes within the framework of cooperation between the university and other institution as well as to exchange views in the experience of teaching Arabic to non-native speakers in providing excellent higher education services in the global level.

MoU MEDIU-IQRAA Institute for Learning Arabic



Visit by Academy of Islamic Studies, University of Malaya (UM)

Al-Madinah International University (MEDIU) received a delegation visit from the Department of Syariah and Law, Academy of Islamic Studies, University of Malaya (UM) on Tuesday, January 5, The delegation was led by Assoc.Prof. Dr. Mashitoh Binti Mahamood along with the project members Dr. Asmak Binti Ab. Rahman, En. Azizi Bin Che Seman, Dr. Nor 'Azzah Binti Kamri and Ms. Nor Liana Binti Abdul Munim. The purpose of the visit is to share experience and knowledge in the development of waqf well as to study the financing, development and investment of the university waqf using the instrument.

The delegates was welcomed by CEO, Prof. Dr. Muhammad Khalifa Al-Tamimi in the presence of Deputy CEO R&D Division, Assoc. Prof. Dr. AB Rahim Ismail; Deputy CEO Student Affairs Division, Prof. Dr. Hj. Wan Sulaiman Yusoff; Manager of Administartive Affairs Division, Mr. Fuad Ahmad Al'As; Dean of Scientific Research, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Sekou Toure and Public Relations personnel.

Prof. Dr. Muhammad Khalifa Al-Tamimi welcomed the visit and expressed his delightness of the visit and hopes the fruitful discussions will be beneficial to both the university and hopes to form relationships and closer collaboration in the future. The delegation was also briefed on MEDIU's administration and education development system, the available courses offered as well as the development of MEDIU's new campus in Section U1, Shah Alam.



Later, the honored Prof. Prof. Dr. Mashitoh Binti Mahamood expressed her admiration in the guestbook saying; "On behalf of the delegation of UM, we are very pleased that we had acquired a very good input and helpful information regarding the endowment institution that became the main topic of the meeting with the CEO and others. We can also see the atmosphere at the campus in complete and detailed information. A big thank you from all of us and may Allah SWT reward doubled over this noble effort."

MEDIU participates in educational forum "Flexible Education"



Al-Madinah International University (MEDIU) participates in an educational forum "Flexible Education" organized by the Ministry of Higher Education on Tuesday, 12 January 2016. The forum was well received with the participation of senior officials in education in higher education institutions in the country which was chaired by Secretary General Ministry of Higher Education, YBhg Prof. Dato' Dr. Ir. Zaini bin Ujang. MEDIU was represented by the Deputy CEO of Research and Development Division, Assoc.Prof.Dr. AB Rahim Ismail.

Among the forum panelists composed of education expertise from Sultan Idris Education University (UPSI), Wawasan Open University and Malaysian Qualifications Agency (MQA). The forum emphasized the role of the university in the future with regard to quality standards in education and flexible delivery of education and technology education for all spectrum of society and the need to link education to all social classes with the latest equipment available as well as modern techniques in distance education. The speaker also pointed out that flexibility should not be a goal in education but the goal in the way education is flexibility could help in realizing quality education. MQA also holds trust in the role of monitoring and maintaining the quality of teaching and education and is ready to compete to meet the variable as a result of a more open and flexible education system.

Visit to Institutional and Academic Quality Management Office, IIUM

Al-Madinah International University (MEDIU) management personnel led by Assoc. Dr. AB Rahim Ismail, Deputy CEO of Research and Development Division held an official visit to the Institutional and Academic Quality Management Office, IIUM on Thursday, 14 January 2016. The visit aims to discuss ways to develop relations between MEDIU and International Islamic University (IIUM) in the framework of academic and institutional quality development areas.

Among the areas that were being discussed are on common areas and similarities between both university in the aspect of institutional quality development such as MQA regulation compliance procedure, internal programme quality monitoring and review process, Structure and management of quality assurance unit, standard operating practice (SOP) development, implementation, monitoring and review process and others.



MEDIU delegates were welcomed by Prof. Dr. Badri Najib Bin Zubir, Head of Institutional and Academic Quality Management; Dr. Akhtar Zaite Binti Hj. Abdul Azia, Shariah Compliance Officer and Dr Afidalina Binti Tumian, Academic Compliance Officer. University officials namely Asst. Prof. Dr. Bakare Kazeem Kayode, Dean of University Development and Quality; Assoc. Prof. Dr. Cader Mohideen Mohamed Abobucker, Senior Lecturer Faculty of Engineering; Madam Nurul Ashikin Abdul Latiff, Senior Executive Registrar Office; Madam Bibi Asma' Sher Mohamad, Head of Student Services Department; Mr. Abdilahi Liban, Head of Admin Development and Training Department and Mr.Jamaluddin Hussain, Head of Public Relations Department participated in the discussion session.

Visit by Dr.Suleiman bin Mohammed Saleh Mohaimeed, Qassim University

Al-Madinah International University (MEDIU) received an honored guest, Dr.Suleiman bin Mohammed Saleh Mohaimeed, faculty member from Qassim University, Saudi on Monday, 18 January 2016. Honorable CEO, Prof. Dr. Mohammad Khalifa Al-Tamimi welcomed the honored guest and expressed his pleasure of the visit, which comes in the framework of cooperation between MEDIU and international Islamic university.



Visual presentations of the University's and its history; which provides an overview of the University's faculties and academic programs were being presented to the honored guest. The honored guest expressed his gladness of visiting MEDIU to view closely on the modern technology in support to the e-learning process as well as the have closer insights on the achievements by the University's.

At the end of the visit, the honored guest were particularly impressed by the level MEDIU's has reached and expressed his admiration in the guestbook saying; "Praise be to Allah, for having the privilege to visit MEDIU and happy to see the achievements and what is offered by the University to the whole human race, in spreading Islamic culture and Arabic language learning expertise in the field of technology. Am amazed by the efforts of the University's and May Allah guide and blessed the university and those who made it a success."

4th Quarter 2015 Achievement and Best Staff Announcement

MEDIU organized a gathering to present on the achievements for the 4th Quarter of 2015 on Friday, 8 January 2016. The gathering was presented to all MEDIU's employees in the presence of Prof. Dr. Mohammad Khalifa Al-Tamimi accompanied by the University's management. MEDIU's CEO stressed up how the teamwork plays an important role to success. He also urged the staff to perform and expressed his acknowledgement to those who are dedicated in ensuring all the objectives achieved.



The University managed to achieve 89.08% for the fourth quarter of 2015. While the percentage of late objectives is 0%, suspended 2.43%, carried forward is 7.50% and remaining 0.99% objectives were dropped. In order to increase the working spirit and appreciate the effort of the staff, MEDIU rewarded the best staff who achieved their targets and accomplished their tasks as well as raising the level of quality and efficiency.

The honored 'Best Staff of the Month' for the 4th Quarter of 2015 as below:

- Nur Syafika Farhana Suhaimi from Financial Affairs Division (October)
- Abdoulaye Mahamat Zakariya Registrar Office (November)
- Ali Abdo Abdallah Al-Manakhi from Deanship of Postgraduate Studies (December)

All the winners were given the certificates of appreciation from the management of the university along with cash prizes.

MEDIU participates in Malaysia Higher Education Carnival 2016

Al-Madinah International University (MEDIU) participated in Malaysia Higher Education Carnival 'Jom Masuk U' 2016 (Let's Enroll University Carnival) which was held recently at Stadium Darul Aman, Alor Setar in Kedah on 30-31 January 2016. The first Zone of 'Jom Masuk U' 2016 carnival was officiated by Dato' Seri Idris bin Jusoh; Minister of Education II. The education carnival was organized by the Ministry of Education and the tagline 'Jom Masuk U' is used to motivate the school leavers to obtain accurate and timely information on various educational opportunities in Malaysia.



Through the 2 days events, MEDIU were represented by Marketing Executives; Mr.Aymen Ayub Ibrahim, Mr. Azzam Ehsan Abduljalil Abdulrazzaq and Mrs. Faridah Baharun. They have taken the opportunity as a platform to market MEDIU's academic programs to the prospective students in person as well as to create awareness to the public on the admission and registration requirements. The exhibition help school leavers in the northern states of Malaysia, namely Kedah, Northern Perak, Perlis and Pulau Pinang to obtain more information on MEDIU and able to communicate directly with the University's officers if they are keen and interested to know the programs offer by the University.



The education exhibition is aimed at promoting and disseminating information on opportunities for higher education especially for the high school leavers holding the Sijil Pelajaran Malaysia (SPM), Malaysian Higher School Certificate (STPM) or equivalent. School leavers and potential students are encouraged to bring their latest results to seek advices from the representatives upfront.

Meet MEDIU representatives in the upcoming 'Jom Masuk U' 2016 Education Carnival on the following dates:

- 13-14 February 2016 UNISZA, Kuala Terengganu, Terengganu (Zone 2)
- 2-3 April 2016 UKM, Bangi, Selangor (Zone 6)

MEDIU ranked 3rd place for Private Malaysian Universities for the year 2016

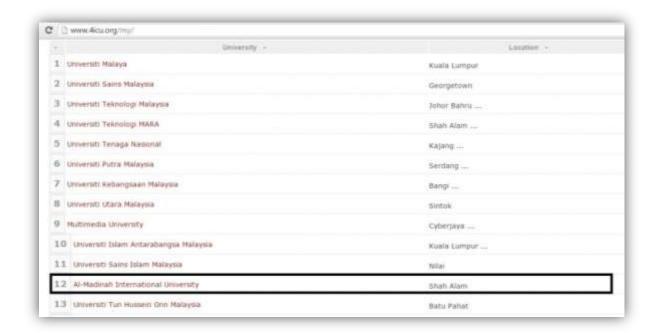
Al-Madinah International University (MEDIU) has got through the classification results of according to the Australian Classification of Universities and International Institutes (4ICUs) for the first half of 2016; with the results of 3rd place in the category of private Malaysian universities, 12th in the Malaysian universities in general and place 2,555th place for worldwide universities.

The Australian Classification of Universities and International Institutes(4ICUs) is a world ranking classification as the University's websites is measured by the recognition or accreditation received from international organizations and institutions. The classification is being acknowledged for every six months period; and the data is updated for all the universities and colleges that participates; with a total of 11,606 universities and colleges from 200 countries are categorized according to the recognition of its website.

The classification is based on three independent and objective measures at web, derived from three research engines:

- Google page ranking
- Alexa traffic ranking
- MEDIU website classification for other external sites (Majestic SEO)

**Source: Australian Classification of Universities and International Institutes (4ICUs) http://www.4icu.org/my/



MEDIU attended Sudanese Cultural Festival, UM

Al-Madinah International University (MEDIU) attended the Sudanese Cultural Festival on Tuesday, 26 January 2016 which held in Dewan Tunku Canselor, University of Malaya (UM). The event is held in conjunction with the 60th Sudanese Independence Day and the fiirst-ever cultural festival to introduce the North African country's culture to Malaysians.



The opening ceremony was attended by Mr. Khalid Abdelgadir Shukri; Ambassador of Sudan to Malaysia, Head of the Sudanese Community Association, embassies diplomats as well as various government and private universities officials. The two days festival showcases Sudanese folklore, arts and musical performances, bazaar booths featuring Sudanese food, beauty and health products.

MEDIU was represented by Deputy CEO of Student Affairs Division, Prof. Dr. Hj. Wan Sulaiman Bin Wan Yusoff and accompanied by Asst.Prof.Dr. Yousef Abu Baker El-Ebiary, Dean of Student Affairs and Mr. Jamaluddin Hussain, Head of Public Relations Department.

Discourse Session Prof. Dr. Amin Mohammad Salam Al-Manasyeh

Al-Madinah International University (MEDIU) received an honored guest, Prof. Dr. Amin Mohammad Salam Al-Manasyeh, a prominent lecturer and former dean of the Faculty of Shariah, University Mu'tah, Jordan on Saturday, 23 January 2016. The honored guest expressed his gratitude to the University's management for the opportunity and was welcomed by MEDIU's representatives namely Asst.Prof Dr. Elsayed Mohamed Salem, Mr. Othman A.M. Miaikil, Asst.Prof.Dr. Yousef Abu Baker El-Ebiary, Mr.Abduloh Usof and Mr.Jamaluddin Hussain who expressed their pleasure for his visit.

The program which lasted for two hours had attracted almost 150 participants consisting of Malaysian-Jordan alumni, university students, staff and the community in which he has delivered a discourse on the importance of knowledge. He stressed that the most important

thing for a human being is the pursuit of knowledge and many hadith by the Prophet Muhammad S.A,W had emphasizes on this matter, "Ya Allah, increase me in knowledge, and give me an understanding."

At the end of the program, Mr. Aiman Sufian from the Marketing Department has drawn the attention of the participants on MEDIU's academic programs, the role of the university to contemporary education through virtual learning (on line) and conventional method (on campus) in various areas of study as well as to realize the vision of the Malaysian government to the 'Internationalisation of Higher Education'.



Visit by Unifield International College (UIC), Melaka



Al-Madinah International University (MEDIU) received an honored guest, Madam Rohana Binti Rahmat; Chief Executive of Unifield International College on Tuesday, 26 January 2016. The guest was welcomed by MEDIU's Deputy CEO of Research and Development Division, Assoc.Prof.Dr. AB Rahim Ismail his office in the presence of Mr. Abdilahi Liban, Head of Admin Development

and Training Department and Mr. Fahed Al Kerdi, Head of Acquisition Library Affairs Department.

The honored guest expressed her gladness of visiting MEDIU to view closely on the modern technology in support to the e-learning process and the development of the University's digital library as well as to seek potential collaboration between the two educational institutions in the academic and scientific field.

Training: Time Management



Al-Madinah International University (MEDIU) held a training program on 'Time Management Cycle' on Wednesday, 20 January 2016. The training program was organised by Deanship of University Development and Quality (DEUQ) under the supervision of MEDIU's Deputy CEO of Research and Development Division; Assoc. Prof. Dr. AB Rahim Ismail. The program was led by Prof. Dr. Barjoyai Bardai, lecturer for the Faculty of Finance and Administrative Sciences.

The speaker explained the significance of time in our daily lives and in all aspects, whether the balance of professional education or through our daily work. Through the goals and desires of the employees as well as through necessary steps through the initial organization, the key is to set goals for each role to play and determine the time and it can be done with commitment and implementation.

Deanship of University Development and Quality (DEUQ) has organized various training sessions and courses for the year 2016, especially for academic staff in various areas of interest to apply their new skills and knowledge in practical situations. Thus, assist the university's staff to prosper and develop their careers and skills and build competitive advantage.

Training: Academic Research Skills

Al-Madinah International University (MEDIU) held a training program on 'Academic Research Skills' on Wednesday, 20 January 2016. The training program was organised

by MEDIU Center for Training and Continuing Education under the supervision of MEDIU's Deputy CEO of Research and Development Division; Assoc. Prof. Dr. AB Rahim Ismail. The program was led by Mr. Mohammed Abdullah Ali Alkhawlani, Deputy Dean Faculty of Finance and Administrative Sciences.

Among the topics discussed are elements of scientific research such as scientific research subject selection, preparation of research plans, a list of research content sources of information, referral and documentation as well as scientific barriers and how to overcome it. The presenter stressed on the importance of documenting research and scientific documentation reference to the optimal use and the skills of scientific reference procedures and reviewing the content of a report documenting research in peer-reviewed journals. The importance of the training session gains great benefit and interest for the researchers in the development of students' skills as well as to promote research and academic abilities in their scientific diversity.



Training: Advance Presentation Skills

Al-Madinah International University (MEDIU) held a training program on 'Advance Presentation Skills' on Thursday, 21 January 2016. The training program was led by Mr. Abdulkarem Mohammed Al-Rawdhi, Director of MEDIU Center for Training and Continuing Education and a certified professional trainer with the Arab Board for Consultancy and Training and Human Development, Sanaa.

Among the areas that were covered in the training session are:

- Knowledge of the benefits of speech and communication.
- Apply guidelines for building self-confidence.
- Knowledge of the diversity and importance of the public the basics of public analysis and application.
- Knowledge of the principles of non-verbal communication and discrimination methods of dumping.
- To distinguish between the elements of voice dumping.
- To distinguish between the physical elements of dumping.



The presenter explained the significance of effective presentation skills in order to gain excellent interaction between the presenter and the audience. Through proper diction and art of speech as well as good communication skills able to increase efficiency and productivity thus raise the performance of the presentation.

Training: Data Analysis in Scientific Research (SPSS)

Al-Madinah International University (MEDIU) held a training program on 'Data Analysis in Scientific Research (SPSS)' on Thursday, 21 January 2016. The training program which lasted for four days was organised by Deanship of University Development and Quality (DEUQ) under the supervision of MEDIU's Deputy CEO of Research and Development Division; Assoc. Prof. Dr. AB Rahim Ismail. The program was led by Asst. Prof. Dr. Safia Naji Esmail Al-Duais, lecturer in the Faculty of Education.



Among the topics discussed are on the elements of data analysis in scientific research such as:

- Fundamentals (SPSS) program and the definition of variables.
- Data processing and how to deal with it.

- Conduct various transfers the data in the program (SPSS).
- Statistical descriptions and measurements of descriptive statistics and graphs to include nominal and quantitative variables.
- Analyzing variables data using statistical tests

The sessions have attracted the attendance of faculty members and students thus able to assist them in improving their aspects of personality, academic achievement as well as equipping them with more experience, skills and knowledge that can contribute to increased levels of intellectual.

Students Scientific Discussions

Student Name: Mohd Yasir bin Abdul Manan Majoring: (Master in Fiqh-Coursework + Thesis)

Tuesday, 12 January 2016

Student Name: Zainab Husna Hussein

Majoring: (Master in Arabic Language-Coursework + Thesis)

Thursday, 14 January 2016

The Final Results of Postgraduate Students

Honorable CEO, Prof. Dr. Mohammad Khalifa Al-Tamimi chaired the 1st and 2nd Academic Senate Meeting on 8 & 15 January 2016 by approving the finals results of the postgraduate studies as follows:

- To award the student [MAR141BF598] majoring Master in Arabic Language (Coursework + Thesis) with CGPA: 3.47
- To award the student [MAR141BG485] majoring Master in Arabic Language (Coursework + Project Paper/Case Study) with CGPA: 3.24
- To award the student [MTF133BB997] majoring Master in Tafsir and 'Ulum Al-Quran (Coursework + Project Paper/Case Study) with CGPA: 3.83
- To award the student [MQD141BE525] majoring Master in Qada and Siyasah Shar'iyyah (Coursework + Thesis) with CGPA: 3.47
- To award the student [MTF123AY527] majoring Master in Tafsir and 'Ulum Al-Quran (Coursework + Project Paper/Case Study) with CGPA: 3.64
- To award the student [PFQ113AN518] majoring PhD in Figh (By Research)
- To award the student [PFQ113AR016] majoring PhD in Figh (By Research)
- To award the student [MAQ141BF331] majoring Master in Aqidah (Coursework + Thesis) with CGPA: 3.59
- To award the student [MEC113AQ504] majoring Master of Education-Curriculum and Instruction (By Research)
- To award the student [PEI131AZ465] majoring PhD of Education-Curriculum and Instruction (By Research)