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Visit by Dr. Zakir Naik

Al-Madinah International University (MEDIU) received an honored visit by prominent preacher, Dr. Zakir Abdul Karim Naik on Wednesday, 14 December 2016. The honored preacher expressed his gratitude to the University's management for the opportunity and was welcomed by MEDIU's Honorable CEO, Prof.Dr.Mohammad Khalifa Al-Tamimi in the presence of the university's officials for a goodwill visit to view the march of the university's unique and achievements for being one of the Islamic educational institutions in Malaysia.



Honorable CEO expressed his gratefulness by the visit of the prominent preacher which enhances the overall university's vision and mission in the field of cooperative consolidate with distinctive personalities. The honored guest expressed his admiration on the level the University's has reached in support of the learning process as well as its significant contribution towards the development of the knowledgeable society more broadly with the support of technological means to support contemporary learning process. At the end of the visit, Dr. Zakir Naik stated in the guestbook, *"Praise be to God MEDIU serve the Islamic nation and are seriously working to achieve God's commands in the dissemination of knowledge, we ask the Almighty God to reward those who made it the best reward."*



Dr Zakir Naik is renowned as a dynamic international orator on Islam and Comparative Religion born in 18 October 1965. He is the president of Islamic Research Foundation, Mumbai. Dr Zakir clarifies Islamic viewpoints and clears misconceptions about Islam, using the Qur'an, authentic Hadith and other religious Scriptures as a basis, in conjunction with reason, logic and scientific facts.

2nd International Conference of Linguistics Studies (ICLS 2016)

Al-Madinah International University (MEDIU) recently organized the 2nd International Conference of Linguistics Studies (ICLS 2016) with the theme “*Towards a Modern Vision of the Reality of Linguistic & Literary Challenges*”. The 2 days conference was held on 7-8 December 2016 at Selangor State Library, Shah Alam in Selangor.



Chairman of ICLS 2016, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Daud Quadir Elegu gave an opening speech in welcoming the participants of ICLS 2016 which was organized by the Faculty of Languages in the presence of CEO, Prof. Dr. Mohammad Khalifa Al-Tamimi whom officiated the Opening of ICLS 2016. The Keynote Address was presented by Prof. Dr. Subhy El-Bustaany from the National Institution for Languages and Oriental civilizations, Paris with his paper entitle ‘The Reality of Arabic Language in European Countries’.

The international conference focuses on the subject of linguistic research where it can give aspirations to the language researchers and students in the field of language studies towards the 21st century as well as exchanging of experience and views on the language studies learning from various speakers in the language field expertise from within and outside Malaysia.



A total of 179 papers summaries were delivered during the session and 125 papers were fully presented during the conference which attracted nearly 150 academicians, researchers, students and practitioners in the linguistic and language field.



The main purpose of the conference held in two languages, namely Arabic and English is to develop a research and development department of the exchange of ideas among researchers as well as to benefit from the experience of the researchers who had produced a model of strategic teaching and modern linguistic theory and produce output which can help

in the development of language study program in educational institutions and research.

On the last day of the conference, Prof. Dr. Muhammad Khalifa Al-Tamimi was pleased to distribute the certificates of appreciation to the overwhelmed participants and committee members who have participated for ICLS 2016. Assoc. Prof. Dr Daud Abdul Quadir Elega; Chairman of ICLS also express his appreciation to MEDIU's CEO on his patronage and guidance for the implementation of the conference and heartfelt gratitude to the researchers and participants from within and outside the region whom attended the linguistic conference.

Workshop: Computer Programming with Java Language

The Faculty of Computer and Information Technology recently held a one day workshop session on 'Computer Programming Using Java Language' on Saturday, 10 December 2016. The workshop was presented by Faculty's Dean, Asst. Prof. Dr. Wael Mohamed Shaher Yafooz and Asst. Prof. Dr. Mamoun Mohamad Jamous.



The workshop aims to develop programming skills and give students the proper ways to solve problems by using the software, including theoretical and practical side. The students were introduced to the history of Java language and the importance of learning the programming language and its differences,

The Faculty of Computer and Information Technology established various workshops to occupy the students with various software and research skills which able to facilitate their educational process.

Workshop: Safety Management Systems Framework – Going Beyond Compliance

MEDIU's Faculty of Engineering recently held a workshop session on "*Safety Management Systems Framework-Going Beyond Compliance*" on Thursday, 15 December 2016. The session was in collaboration with Proton Holdings Berhad and was delivered by Madam Norwani Ahmat. Head of Safety, Health & Environment (SHE) Department of Proton Holdings.



The workshop discussed various topics of Safety, Health & Environment (SHE) and how to plan and create a comprehensive safety management system framework in a workplace. The session was attended by the university's academicians and students in the presence of Faculty's Dean, Prof. Ir. Dr. Wan Mahmood Wan Ab. Majid and Deputy Dean, Mr. Yousef Ali Mohammed Al-Gumaei.

Visit to Taylor's University Malaysia

Al-Madinah International University (MEDIU) visited the Taylor's University at the University Lakeside Campus in Subang Jaya Selangor on Thursday, 15 December 2016. The delegation visit was headed by Dean of Scientific Research, Asst. Prof. Dr. Ammar Abdulwahab accompanied by Dean Faculty of Computer & Information Technology, Asst. Prof. Dr. Wael Mohamed Shafer Yafooz and faculty's lecturer, Asst. Prof. Dr. Mamoun Mohamad Jamous.



MEDIU's delegates was welcomed by Emeritus Professor Dato' Dr Visweswaran Navaratnam, Taylor's University Pro Vice-Chancellor, Postgraduates, Research & Strategic Development in the presence of Dr. David Asirvatham, Dean School of Computing & IT and Dr. Rona Chandran, Teaching & Learning Coordinator with the aim to discuss ways to develop relations and to strengthen potential cooperation in the framework of the development of scientific research and the quality of educational care in universities and merely to exchange experiences to the needs of the university's. During the meeting, both parties discussed on joint research between the two universities, researchers and faculty members to take advantage of the local and international trainers in the areas of various scientific researches.

Visit by Syeikh Mustafa Deib al Bagha

Al-Madinah International University (MEDIU) received an honored visit by prominent Syrian scholar, Syeikh Mustafa Deib al Bagha on Tuesday, 6 December 2016. The honored scholar expressed his gratitude to the University's management for the opportunity and was welcomed by MEDIU's Honorable CEO, Prof.Dr.Mohammad Khalifa Al-Tamimi in the presence of the Public Relations Department personnel.



Honorable CEO expressed his gratefulness by the visit of the prominent scholar which enhances the overall university's vision and mission in the field of cooperative consolidate with distinctive personalities. The honored guest expressed his admiration on the level the

University's has reached in support of the learning process as well as its significant contribution towards the development of the knowledgeable society more broadly.

At the end of the visit, Syeikh Mustafa Deib al Bagha stated in the guestbook, *"Praise be to God for the opportunity to visit Al-Madinah International University to look at the goals and programs of specialization of academic offerings. We ask God Almighty to reward those responsible in the development of this university towards a better and bless every effort they are pure."*

Training: Writing Papers for Publication in International Journals

MEDIU's Research and Development (R&D) Division under the Dean of Scientific Research, Dr. Ammar Abdulwahab recently organized a training session on Writing Islamic Studies Papers for Publication in International Journals ISI/SCOPUS/ERA on Friday, 30 December 2016. The session was presented by Prof.Dr. Waleed Fekry Faris, Director Centre for Muslim World Affairs of International Islamic University Malaysia (IIUM) and participated by postgraduate students from the Faculty of Islamic Sciences and Faculty of Languages.

The objectives of the workshop are to help the participants in preparing their articles for journal publication, to share effective strategies and techniques in writing a journal article as well as to assist the participants in publishing their article in ISI/Scopus/ERA indexed journals especially in the Islamic studies and Arabic languages field.



The importance of training programs offered in the development of researchers and academics skills and to promote research and academic abilities as well as assist faculty diversity in their scientific According to the new changes in professional roles and to provide them with a range of knowledge, skills and positive trends in the creativity of university teaching.

Visit by Assistant Undersecretary for Cultural Affairs at the Ministry of Awqaf and Islamic Affairs, Kuwait

Al-Madinah International University (MEDIU) received an honored guest visit from the Ministry of Awqaf and Islamic Affairs, Kuwait led by the Assistant Undersecretary for Cultural Affairs, Mr. Dawood Abdulwahab Al-Asousi on Wednesday, 7 December 2016. The guests was welcomed by Honorable CEO, Prof.Dr.Mohammad Khalifa Al-Tamimi with the aim to view on the university's administration and goodwill visit between the two parties to strengthen mutual cooperation.



A visual presentation on MEDIU, its techniques and educational administrative process as well as on the technology infrastructure, overview on Campus Management System (CMS) and presentation on Advanced Learning i-Management (ALIM) were being presented to the honored delegates. During the meeting, they discussed several topics including the pursuit of the certificates issued by the Ministry of Higher Education in Kuwait equation than the best interest of students from Kuwait.



At the end of the visit, a token of appreciation were presented to the delegates and later followed by an office tour around MEDIU's academic and administrative facilities. The

delegates were overwhelmed on the progress and efforts conducted by its Honorable CEO; Prof. Dr. Mohammad Khalifa Al-Tamimi and convey their admiration by stating in the guest book, *“Praise be to Allah for the golden opportunity to have a closer look at Al-Madinah International University university’s administration, and hope the university continues to benefit the world of education. May God continue to facilitate the university, both technically and financially, and bless every efforts and their importance to Muslims. “*

Workshop: Academic Quality Assurance

Al-Madinah International University (MEDIU) held a workshop program on Academic Quality Assurance on Friday, 11 November 2016. The workshop program was organised by the Faculty of Engineering and the session was led by the faculty's lecturer, Mr. Fayeze Said Fayeze Hamdan in the presence of Dean Faculty of Engineering, Prof. Ir. Dr. Wan Mahmood Wan Ab. Majid and Deputy Dean, Mr. Yousef Ali Al-Gumaei.

The program consists of series of workshops aiming to train and enhance the academicians on academic quality assurance implementation toward the accreditation of the university's programs. Among the topics discussed are on quality assurance areas namely vetting procedures, examinations, and laboratory paper format. The workshops assist the academicians to use the process of evaluating exam questions for internal and external examiners.



Public Speaking Competition

The Deanship of Student Affairs of Al-Madinah International University (MEDIU) recently organized a Public Speaking Competition on Monday, 5 December 2016. The competition is an annual activities to promote use the of Arabic and English language among the students with various topics and each participant were given five (5) minutes to delivered their speech. Nearly 20 students participated with the competition aims to build critical thinking skills of the students, boost their self-esteem and leadership abilities.



World Day of Arabic Languages 2016



Al-Madinah International University (MEDIU) recently celebrate cultural events 'World Day Arabic Language' which falls on December 18th annually and were organized by the Faculty of Language and Centre of Languages on Tuesday, 27 December 2016 under the auspices of Honorable CEO, Prof. Dr. Mohammad Khalifa Al-Tamimi. The event was attended by lecturers and students from the respective faculty. The program plays the role of the university in promoting Arabic as the main language of communication between the students and lecturers.

The event begins with recitation verses of Al-Quran and a short lecture on the role and importance of Arabic language was presented by Dr. Ahmed Muhamed Wafiq Othman. He also briefed on the background of the World Day of Arabic Language celebration. Dean, Faculty of Languages; Assoc. Prof. Dr. Daud Quadir Elega also gave a speech on the importance and beauty of the Arabic language and MEDIU's role and contribution in spreading the Arabic language medium through its modern techniques learning process.



Among the main objectives of the event is to show the role of university in upholding interest issues related to Arabic language, to discuss the role and impact of the language in the present and the future as well as defining the roles of Arabic languages among other national languages around the world. With such event, it is hope that the Arabic languages can be uphold as a universal language adopted by the global community and hope all levels of society can fully support the deployment and development of the use of Arabic language as a whole.



MEDIU participated in Regional Conference of Sciences, Technology and Social Science Conference (RCSTSS 2016)

Al-Madinah International University (MEDIU) participated in the Regional Conference of Sciences, Technology and Social Science Conference (RCSTSS 2016) which was organized by Universiti Teknologi Mara (UiTM) on 4-6 December 2016 in Copthorne Hotel, Cameron Highlands in Pahang. MEDIU was represented by Faculty of Computer and Information Technology representative, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Najeeb Abbas Al-

Sammarraie with his conference paper entitled “*Constructing Dynamic Infrastructure as a Service Model (DIAAS) According to User Preferences*”.

RCSTSS 2016 provides a platform for researchers and an excellent opportunity to exchange ideas, techniques and applications in the field of physics, mathematics, life science as well as information technology which attracted more than 200 research participants with a gathering of scientifically and culturally significant features in the communications and computer engineering field.

PROTON Industrial Site Visit

Faculty of Engineering students recently organized an industrial site visit in collaboration with Proton Holdings Berhad to the company’s Vehicle Factory in Shah Alam on Friday, 16 December 2016. The visit was welcomed by Madam Norwani Ahmat, Head of Safety, Health & Environment (S.H.E) Department of Proton Holdings with a detailed presentation on Proton’s industrial and operations activities presented to the students.



Later, the faculty's representatives and students were taken for a tour around Proton's different facilities and department namely Multi Vehicle Factory (MVF), Engine Factory, and Safety, Health & Environment Departments. The site visit aims to provide the engineering students with sound knowledge on industrial and project's operations are implemented throughout the process.

The Final Results of Postgraduate Students

Honorable CEO, Prof. Dr. Mohammad Khalifa Al-Tamimi chaired the 39th Academic Senate Meeting on 1 December 2016 by approving the finals results of the postgraduate studies as follows:

- To award the student [MFQ133BA481] majoring Master in Fiqh (Coursework + Project Paper / Case Study) with CGPA: 3.92
- To award the student [MFQ133BA481] majoring Master in Qada and Siyasa Shar'iyyah (Coursework + Project Paper / Case Study) with CGPA: 3.79