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**University, through  
International  
Collaboration and  
research on SDGs**

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## 1. Introduction

Imam Abdulrahman Bin Faisal University (IAU) reviews comparative approaches and develops international best practice on tackling SDGs through international collaboration and research.

IAU constantly work together with other organizations to participate or conduct various events, exhibitions, discussions, workshops, conferences, and meeting to achieve SDGs.

Find below some of activities at IAU.

## 2. Collaboration Between IAU and the University of Turku, Finland



On Tuesday, September 16, 2025, Imam Abdulrahman bin Faisal University hosted a working session with the University of Turku, Finland, at the Deanship of Academic Development. The session took place within the framework of the ongoing academic partnership between the two universities, established in 2018. This session is also aligned with the strategic plan of the Deanship of Academic Development, which identifies as one of its core objectives the establishment of effective partnerships and the expansion of impact locally, regionally, and globally, particularly with leading academic institutions, in the fields of innovation and educational development.

<https://www.iau.edu.sa/en/news/collaboration-between-iau-and-the-university-of-turku-finland>

### 3. IAU Receives Recognition Award from the University of Turku, Finland

Imam Abdulrahman Bin Faisal University (IAU), represented by the Deanship of Academic Development, has been honored with a Recognition Award from the University of Turku in Finland. The award celebrates IAU's steadfast commitment to advancing excellence in faculty professional development and acknowledges the strong, productive partnership between the two institutions in fostering education, innovation, and global collaboration.

This recognition highlights the ongoing strategic cooperation between the two universities in academic development and reflects IAU's leadership and commitment to advancing higher education both nationally and globally.



<https://www.iau.edu.sa/en/news/iau-receives-recognition-award-from-the-university-of-turku-finland>

## 4. IAU, first Saudi university to obtain institutional accreditation from the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada

Imam\_Abdulrahman\_Bin\_Faisal\_University, the first Saudi university to obtain institutional accreditation from the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada @Royal\_College, enhancing its academic excellence and the quality of its medical programs.



The infographic features the logos of the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada and Imam Abdulrahman Bin Faisal University (IAU). The main title in Arabic is 'أول جامعة سعودية' (First Saudi University). Below this, it lists the accredited programs: 'البرامج المعتمدة دولياً' (Internationally Accredited Programs) including 'طب الأطفال' (Pediatrics), 'طب العائلة' (Family Medicine), 'المرحلة التأسيسية' (Foundational Stage), 'طب الأعصاب' (Neurology), and 'الطب النفسي' (Psychiatry). It also mentions 'إجتماع غير مسبوق' (Unprecedented Meeting) and 'أول جامعة سعودية تحصل على الاعتماد الكندي من الكلية الملكية للأطباء والجراحين في كندا' (First Saudi University to receive Canadian accreditation from the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada). The infographic further highlights 'أول مؤسسة خارج كندا يتم اعتمادها من قِبل الكلية كجامعة واحدة' (First institution outside Canada to be accredited by the college as a single university) and 'جودة تدريب يتجاوز معايير عالمية' (Quality of training exceeds global standards). At the bottom, it lists 'مفومات التميز' (Quality Indicators) such as 'مؤشرات جودة التعليم' (Quality Indicators of Education), 'مؤشرات جودة البحث العلمي' (Quality Indicators of Scientific Research), and 'مؤشرات جودة خدمة المجتمع' (Quality Indicators of Community Service).

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## 5. IAU in collaboration with the Ministry of Health in the Eastern Region, the Dammam Health Network, and the Long-Term Care Hospital

The College of Dentistry #كلية\_طب\_الأسنان participated in collaboration with the Ministry of Health in the Eastern Region, the Dammam Health Network, and the Long-Term Care Hospital in the events of International Day of Older Persons #اليوم\_العالمي\_لكبار\_السن, to enhance its community role. Faculty members, fellowship doctors, and interns participated, in addition to the students, in screening, health education, and serving the elderly.



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## 6. Field Visit by Marine Engineering Students of IAU to the Zamil Ship Building and Repair Company



Marine Engineering Students of IAU had a Field Visit to the Zamil Shipbuilding and Repair Company organized by the Saudi Water Authority.

The Department of Marine Engineering organized a field visit for the first cohort students to Zamil Shipbuilding and Repair Company, where the students were introduced to the various fields of work in the shipbuilding industry, as a step aimed at enhancing the practical aspect and preparing them for the job market.

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## 7. IAU Participated in the fifth edition of the Water Research Community Initiative organized by the Saudi Water Authority




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We are proud of the participation of the Mechanical and Energy Engineering Department in the fifth edition of the Water Research Community Initiative organized by the Saudi Water Authority, through the presentation of two research papers and the participation of the department head, Dr. Mosaed Al-Zahrani, as a speaker in one of the dialogue sessions.

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## 8. College of Engineering of IAU hosted a meeting with Head of Innovation at Siemens Healthineers



### College of Engineering, IAU hosted a distinguished meeting that brought together the Head of Innovation at Siemens Healthineers in Riyadh

College of Engineering of IAU hosted a distinguished meeting that brought together the Head of Innovation at Siemens Healthineers in Riyadh, the Dean of the College, and the Head of Innovation at the Institute of Innovation and Entrepreneurship at #Imam\_Abdulrahman\_Bin\_Faisal\_University. The meeting addressed the importance of innovation and its vital role in supporting technological and engineering development, with an emphasis on the college's role in fostering and promoting a culture of innovation.

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## 9. IAU appreciates the Cabinet's approval for the establishment of the Saudi Building Code Academy



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## 10. Signing Memorandum between IAU and Najran University

The signing ceremony of the memorandum of understanding between #Imam\_Abdulrahman\_Bin\_Faisal\_University and Najran University included a tour for the Najran University delegation, which encompassed a visit to the Institute of Research and Medical Consultations and the Modeling and Manufacturing Laboratory at the College of Engineering.



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## 11. Signed a cooperation agreement between IAU and Agency's Undersecretary for Railway Transport

His Excellency Prof. Asim bin Abdulrahman Al-Ansari, Acting Vice President of #Imam\_Abdulrahman\_Bin\_Faisal\_University for Development and Community Partnership, and #TGA, represented by the Agency's Undersecretary for Railway Transport, Mr. Khalid bin Ibrahim Al-Sultan, signed a cooperation agreement during the events of the Saudi Railways Exhibition and Conference.



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## 12. IAU Launches the "Postgraduate Diploma in Museum Studies" in Collaboration with SOAS University of London and with the Support of the Museums Commission at the Ministry of Culture.

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<https://www.iau.edu.sa/en/news/iau-launches-the-postgraduate-diploma-in-museum-studies-in-collaboration-with-soas>

### 13. IAU Hosts International Webinar on Higher Education and Sustainability

Dammam – Imam Abdulrahman Bin Faisal University (IAU), represented by the Deanship of Academic Development, hosted an international webinar titled "University Education for Sustainability: Building Skills for Lifelong Impact" on Tuesday, November 26, 2024. The event was attended by Dr. Abdullah Al-Muhaidib, Vice President for Academic Affairs, who emphasized the university's commitment to sustainability through education and its role in empowering faculty members.

The webinar aimed to advance the integration of sustainability in higher education and enable faculty members to adopt practices that align with the Sustainable Development Goals. The event drew 245 participants, including faculty members and national and international experts.



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## 14.College of Engineering of IAU participated in the Solar Energy and Storage Exhibition

Dean of College of Engineering of IAU, Prof. Dr. Fahd Al-Omari, and Head of the Mechanical and Energy Engineering Department, Dr. Mosaid Al-Zahrani, participated in the Solar Energy and Storage Exhibition, and presented two scientific papers that enhance the college's research and industrial role in sustainable energy in support of the Kingdom's Vision 2030.



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## 15.Awareness lecture on "The Impact of Smart City Applications in Combating Desertification" by IAU

In conjunction with the launch of the [#Green\\_Homeland\\_Sustainable\\_Tomorrow](#) [#Our\\_Environment\\_is\\_a\\_Treasure](#) event, I was delighted today to represent @IAU\_Arch at the kind invitation of @IAU\_DCP and in collaboration with @ncvcksa , where IAU delivered an awareness lecture titled: [The Impact of Smart City Applications in Combating Desertification.](#)



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## 16. Participation of College of Engineering Students of IAU in developing the High Concentrated Photovoltaic (HCPV) system

Supported by #ImamAbdulrahmanBinFaisalUniversity, #Engineering College participated in developing the High Concentrated Photovoltaic (HCPV) system in collaboration with King Abdullah City for Atomic and Renewable Energy and the American company "Arzon Solar," achieving highly efficient results under harsh desert conditions and high temperatures.



تطوير نظام الطاقة الكهروضوئية المركزة (HCPV)

استكمال ونجاح للمشروع

بشراكة بين مدينة الملك عبد الله للطاقة الذرية والمتجددة، وجامعة الإمام عبد الرحمن بن فيصل، والشركة الأمريكية "أرزون سولار"

ما هي مميزاته؟

- فترة نوعية مصممة لتحمل الظروف الصحراوية القاسية ودرجات الحرارة المرتفعة
- تقنية متطورة بخصائص عالية الكفاءة لتكثيف ضوء الشمس على خلية شمسية متعددة الطبقات
- 40% هي كفاءة التحويل

إطلاق مشروع المسح الجغرافي لمشروعات الطاقة المتجددة

1,200 محطة لرفع الطاقة الشمسية وطاقة الرياح في مختلف مناطق المملكة

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## 17.Environmental Tradeshow by IAU



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## 18. Participation of College of Engineering Students of IAU in the events of the third Renewable Energy Symposium and Exhibition

The #College\_of\_Engineering of IAU concluded the events of the third Renewable Energy Symposium and Exhibition, after days filled with scientific contributions and fruitful workshops, thanking all participants and supporters for their contributions to the success of this event.



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## 19. Participation of College of Engineering of IAU in Energy Debate

#College\_of\_Engineering of IAU proudly participates with its teams in the Energy Debate at King Fahd University of Petroleum and Minerals, where the college team secured second place 🏆 among the universities of the Eastern Region.



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## 20. Participation of College of Engineering of IAU in Energithon Event at King Fahd University of Petroleum and Minerals

As #College\_of\_Engineering of IAU proudly shares, its team participated in the "Energithon" event at King Fahd University of Petroleum and Minerals as the only team from outside the university, achieving second place 🏆.



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## 21. IAU Female Engineering Students achieved two positions at the Second Conference on a Sustainable Green Future

Female students from the College of Engineering (Environmental Engineering Department) at #Imam\_Abdulrahman\_Bin\_Faisal\_University achieved two positions among the top three at the Second Conference on a Sustainable Green Future in the Kingdom 2025, organized by the Center for Environment and Marine Studies at King Fahd University of Petroleum and Minerals.



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## 22. IAU Participation in "Green Homeland, Sustainable Tomorrow" forum

Under the patronage of His Excellency the **President of #Imam\_Abdulrahman\_Bin\_Faisal\_University**, Prof. Fahd bin Ahmad Al-Harbi, **#College\_of\_Engineering** was honored by the Vice President of the University for Development and Community Partnership, Prof. Asim bin Abdulrahman Al-Ansari, in recognition of its environmental initiatives and participation in **the accompanying corner of the "Green Homeland, Sustainable Tomorrow" forum.**



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## 23. IAU College of Engineering Students won Second Place for Project producing Biofuel from Coffee Beans

We are proud of the Achievement of the students of #College\_of\_Engineering from the Department of Mechanical Engineering and Energy, Abdullah Al-Harbi, Jarrah Al-Qassim, Saud Al-Sarhani, Ibrahim Al-Yousifi, and Ghazi Al-Otaibi, who secured second place in the CITethon Hackathon with their project to produce biofuel from coffee beans.



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## 24. An aspect of the Basic Life Support (BLS) course affiliated with the American Heart Association



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## 25. IAU visit to University of Texas Health Science Center



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**As part of a visit to the University of Texas Health Science Center, and their meeting with His Excellency the President of the University, Prof. Dr. Fahd bin Ahmed Al-Harbi, and the deans of the health colleges at IAU**

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