

QATAR FOUNDATION PREPARES TO HOLD THE SECOND ANNUAL TEACHING AND LEARNING FORUM TO PROMOTE PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

A Series Of Workshops To Further Develop Teachers' Leadership Skills

Doha, Qatar, 6 May 2015: The final preparations are underway for the imminent Second Annual Teaching and Learning Forum, organised by Qatar Foundation for Education, Science and Community Development (QF).

The Forum, organised by the Education Development Institute (EDI) which falls under QF's Pre-University Education, will take place at the Qatar National Convention Centre on 9 May 2015.

The event is part of QF's wider professional development programme, to further develop teachers' leadership skills both in and outside the classroom. This forum will bring together nearly 1,000 teachers from different schools around Qatar, providing them with the opportunity to share knowledge, opinions and ideas with other attendees.

The forum aims to empower teachers across the country to unlock the potential of students, thereby fulfilling the Qatar National Vision (QNV) 2030 to transform the country into a knowledge-based economy.

The one-day event will feature 80 workshops with discussions centred on four distinct themes: Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM); Early Childhood Education; Innovation and Technological or Practice Using Non-Technological Techniques; and Innovation and Practice in Arabic Language.

Sir Ken Robinson, a prominent international speaker in the development of education, creativity and innovation, will deliver the keynote speech 'Leading a Culture of Innovation' at the opening session.

Commenting on the event, Sheikha Noof Ahmed bin Saif Al-Thani, Director of Institutional Development at QF's Pre-University Education, said: "Teachers can serve as powerful advocates



for children and young people. We want to support the growth of educators to help participants reach their full potential.

“Therefore, this Forum aims to fulfil this mission by providing the educators with the platform to exchange information, expertise and new teaching methods, while promoting professional development and lifelong learning. By fostering excellence, we are working hand-in-hand with QF to support its mission of unlocking human potential for the benefit of the whole community,” she further added.

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