



QATAR CAREER FAIR SUCCESSFULLY ROUNDS OFF SECOND SUMMER CAMP

Dozens Of High School Students Learn Invaluable Skills To Enrich Their Academic And Professional Futures

Doha, 6 September 2014 – Qatar Career Fair (QCF), a member of Qatar Foundation for Education, Science and Community Development (QF), concluded its second Summer Career Camp with outstanding success at the QF Recreation Centre in Education City last week.

Over the course of a fortnight, dozens of high school students visited QCF's Summer Career Camp to learn a variety of invaluable skills, which will allow them to make informed decisions about their academic and professional futures.

At the closing ceremony on Thursday, participating students were awarded certificates, and congratulated by guest of honour Engineer Jassim Telefat, Group Executive Director of Qatar Foundation Capital Projects and Facilities Management.

Highlighting the significance of the Summer Career Camp, Engineer Telefat said: "Qatar Foundation continues to support the country's youth through its various initiatives to help them move towards prosperous futures with foundations in science and knowledge.

"The youth of today are tomorrow's leaders, who will inherit the responsibility of continuing the growth and development of the Qatari economy. Therefore, QCF's Summer Career Camp has enabled them to gain awareness about the various career paths best suited to them, in order to ensure that each and every young national will follow a path that will contribute to the success of a post-carbon economy."

In addition to career-orientation workshops, held onsite at the Qatar Foundation Recreation Centre, the camp also included field trips to leading organisations across Qatar, including Al Jazeera, Qatar Petrochemical Company, Sidra Medical and Research Center, Qatar Gas, Weill Cornell Medical College and Qatar National Bank. Through these visits, the students were given the opportunity to gain first-hand insight into the world of work.

Commenting about the benefits of the Summer Career Camp, Rima Toufeily, Talent Acquisition Manager at Qatar Airways, one of the many companies to participate in the 'Student Career Gathering' event during the closing ceremony, said: "Qatar



Foundation is considered a major employment channel for us as an organisation, simply because of the calibre of its various graduates. Therefore, an event such as this has definitely been beneficial for recruitment to our various scholarship programmes.”

Emphasising the goal of the Summer Career Camp, Abdulla Al Mansoori, Director of Qatar Career Fair, said: “Our Summer Career Camp is part of Qatar Career Fair’s mission to provide Qatar’s youth with opportunities that will allow them to gain the practical knowledge and skills relevant to the Qatari labour market. We are also currently working on the development and renewal of our various initiatives to ensure the best possible career assistance to Qatari youths.”

During the two-week programme, students were also given the opportunity to take the ‘Tamheed’ psychometric test, provided by the Bedaya Centre for Entrepreneurship and Career Development. The assessment evaluated each individual’s abilities, personality traits and interests, and upon receiving their results, students were given the opportunity to meet with academic and career advisors from the Bedaya Centre.

“The academic and career guidance I have received at this Summer Career Camp has truly benefited me and my peers,” said Abdul Rahman Khalid Al Mugheseeb, from Al Jazeera Academy.

“Through the various workshops made available to us, we have learned about the professions in demand within the Qatari labour market, which will definitely help us decide on our future paths.

“I would therefore like to thank both Qatar Foundation and Qatar Career Fair for organising such a positive event that has contributed to the awareness and development of the Qatari youth. This will, in turn, benefit our local economy,” added the Year 12 student.

For more information about the QCF Summer Career Camp please visit www.qatarcareerfair.com.qa

Photo Caption

Picture 1: Eng. Jassim Telefat pictured left and QCF Director Abdulla Al-Mansoori pictured right presenting a certificate to a participating student

Picture 2: Abdulla Al-Mansoori, QCF Director, visiting companies participating in the Student Career Gathering

Picture 3: Group picture with Abdulla Al-Mansoori, QCF Director and Sheikha Athba Bint Thamer Al Thani, Chief Support Services Officer at Qatari Diar Vinci Construction in centre

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Qatar Foundation – Unlocking Human Potential

Qatar Foundation for Education, Science, and Community Development (QF) is a private, non-profit organization that is supporting Qatar on its journey from a carbon economy to knowledge economy by unlocking human potential, for the benefit of not only Qatar, but the world. Founded in 1995 by His Highness Sheikh Hamad bin Khalifa Al Thani, the Father Emir, QF is chaired by Her Highness Sheikha Moza bint Nasser.

QF's work encompasses education, research and community development. World-class universities are brought to Qatar to help create an education sector in which young people can develop the attitudes and skills required for a knowledge economy. At the same time, QF builds Qatar's innovation and technology capacity by developing and commercialising solutions through key sciences. The Foundation also works to foster a progressive society while enhancing cultural life, protecting Qatar's heritage and addressing immediate social needs in the community.

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