



NASA SCIENTISTS VISIT QATAR FOUNDATION

Delegation Learns about QF's Unique Research and Development Initiatives

Doha, Qatar, 24 May 2016: Qatar Foundation (QF) welcomed two NASA scientists to Education City today. On their first ever visit to the campus, the delegation discussed QF's innovative science and research initiatives and its role in positioning Qatar as an international centre of excellence.

NASA is a worldwide pioneer in space exploration, scientific discovery and aeronautics research, its vision is to *'reach for new heights and reveal the unknown for the benefit of humankind'*. NASA's work is divided into four separate areas; Aeronautics, Human Exploration and Operations, Science, and Space Technology.

As part of the tour, the delegation, which included Dr Ken Wolfenbarger and Dr Diane Evans, learned about the role of QF through a comprehensive presentation detailing its various activities such as its overarching endeavour to support Qatar's growth and development.

The NASA scientists were also taken to the open-air viewing platform at QF headquarters where they were shown the unique landscape formed by the education and research buildings of Education City. Concluding the tour, the scientists signed QF's Visitors Book.

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Qatar Foundation – Unlocking Human Potential

Qatar Foundation for Education, Science, and Community Development (QF) is a private, non-profit organisation that is supporting Qatar on its journey from carbon economy to knowledge economy by unlocking human potential, for the benefit of not only Qatar, but the world.

QF was co-founded in 1995 by His Highness Sheikh Hamad bin Khalifa Al Thani, the Father Amir, and Chairperson 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.

For a complete list of QF's initiatives and projects, visit <http://www.qf.org.qa>