

H.H. SHEIKHA MOZA AND PRIME MINISTER DISCUSS FUTURE COLLABORATION

Event Highlights QF's Impact on Local, Regional and International Level

Doha, Qatar, December 13, 2017 – Her Highness Sheikha Moza bint Nasser, Chairperson of Qatar Foundation (QF) attended QF's 'Thriving Together' event today in attendance with H.E. Sheikh Abdullah bin Nasser bin Khalifa Al Thani, Prime Minister and Minister of Interior, along with a ministerial delegation.

H.H. Sheikha Moza was joined by Her Excellency Sheikha Hind bint Hamad Al Thani, Vice Chairperson and CEO, QF, at the event, designed to showcase QF as an exemplary organization delivering impact on a local, regional and international level.

The townhall, which took place at the Qatar National Convention Centre, brought together ministers and ambassadors to the State of Qatar, as well as members of the media, to speak with QF management, students and faculty members. The gathering also highlighted QF's achievements during its 22-year history and outlined the organization's plans for the future.

Visiting dignitaries to the QF event included: Dr. Mohammed Saleh Al Sada, Minister of Energy and Industry; Mr. Ghaith bin Mubarak Al Kuwari, Minister of Awqaf and Islamic Affairs; Dr. Hassan Lahdan Al Mohannadi, Minister of Justice; Dr. Mohammed Abdul Wahed Al Hammadi, Minister of Education and Higher Education; Dr. Issa Saad Al-Jafali Al-Nuaimi, Minister of Administrative Development; Dr. Hanan Mohamed Al Kuwari, Minister of Public Health; Dr. Khalid bin Mohammad Al Attiyah, Minister of State for Defense Affairs.

Dr. Ahmad M. Hasnah, President, Hamad Bin Khalifa University (HBKU), said: "Today's Thriving Together event is of substantial value to us at QF as key players in education, research and community development, as well as our stakeholders in government. Our discussions and conclusions will enable us to better strategize and cement our partnerships with valued national entities, in line with Qatar's priorities, now and for the years to come."

Dr. Hamad Al Ibrahim, Executive Vice President, QF R&D, said: "Qatar Foundation is an organization dedicated to realizing the ambitions of the nation, yet our values are universal. Our mission is one that transcends borders and relies on global dialogue and international partnership. And now, more than ever, it is important that Qatari institutions work together for the overall advancement of this nation."

A key component of the day included showcasing QF's achievements and growth over the last two decades, demonstrating how QF is aligned with the nation's vision, and communicating a clear direction for the future of the organization. Additionally, 'Thriving Together' served as a platform to highlight QF's



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far-reaching impact on different communities through its four key mission areas of Pre-University Education, Higher Education, Science and Research, and Community Development.

Dr. Hayat Abdulla Maarafi, Executive Director, QatarDebate, a member of QF, said: "This is a hugely important event for QF. It provided a golden opportunity for us as an organization to meet with all the government stakeholders whom we have collaborated with to great success over the last two decades. It's also an opportunity to showcase what we have achieved at QF over the last 22-years and to outline how we can evolve in the future and how we can collaborate more with ministries and government organizations."

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Qatar Foundation for Education, Science and Community Development (QF) is a non-profit organization that supports Qatar on its journey to becoming a diversified and sustainable economy. QF strives to serve the people of Qatar and beyond by providing specialized programs across its innovation-focused ecosystem of education, science and research, and community development.

QF was founded in 1995 by His Highness Sheikh Hamad bin Khalifa Al Thani, the Father Emir, and Her Highness Sheikha Moza bint Nasser, who shared the vision to provide Qatar with quality education. Today, QF's world-class education system offers lifelong learning opportunities to community members as young as six months through to doctoral level, enabling graduates to thrive in a global environment and contribute to the nation's development.

QF is also creating a multidisciplinary innovation hub in Qatar, where homegrown researchers are working to address local and global challenges. By promoting a culture of lifelong learning and fostering social engagement through programs that embody Qatari culture, QF is committed to empowering the local community and contributing to a better world for all.

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