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QATAR FOUNDATION AND QATAR FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION HOLD UNIVERSITY LEAGUE DRAW

Eleven Colleges And Universities Across Qatar Are Set To Compete In The University League

Doha, 25 October 2014: Qatar Foundation for Education, Science and Community Development (QF) and the Qatar Football Association (QFA) have held the Qatar Universities Football League draw for the forthcoming soccer tournament.

The draw, which took place at QF's Recreation Centre, was conducted by QF and QFA officials and attended by several representatives from participating colleges and universities. Twelve colleges and universities from across Qatar took part in the draw and are set to compete at Qatar Foundation from 30 October 2014 until 12 February 2015.

The University League, a university football competition, is part of a collaboration between QF and QFA, and supports Qatar Foundation's mission to foster a progressive society and encourage healthy living through sports.

Commenting about the University League, Mr Mohammed K Al Suwaidi, Executive Director - Operations, at Qatar Foundation, said: "Following the success of last year's competition, we are extremely happy to be working alongside QFA in the University League. The University League is an event aligned with QF's community development pillar and highlights the organisation's efforts to promote and support football at Education City and among the youth in universities across Qatar."

Khalid Mubarak Al Kuwari, Executive Director, Operations (Acting) at QFA, commented: "Organising the University League with Qatar Foundation showcases QFA's commitment in nurturing the football culture in Qatar and encouraging the youth to adopt a healthy lifestyle through playing football. The results today indicate that a strong league will take place this year, and we look forward to witnessing top level performance and good sportsmanship by the university players."

Last year's competition saw Qatar University win the trophy, while the University of Calgary and Qatar Aeronautical College came second and third respectively. This year, the league will have two groups; Group A and Group B, each with six teams. Group A of the league includes Qatar Aeronautical College, Qatar Faculty of Islamic Studies, Texas A&M University at Qatar, Carnegie



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Mellon University in Qatar,
Weill Cornell Medical College in Qatar and College of the North Atlantic Qatar. Group B includes Northwestern University in Qatar, Qatar University, Georgetown University School of Foreign Service in Qatar, HEC Paris in Qatar, the Academic Bridge Programme and the University of Calgary Qatar.

The first and second place teams of Group A and Group B will qualify straight to the semi-finals. The winning teams from the semi-finals will qualify to the finals stage and compete for the title. The first three teams will receive trophies from QF as well as prize money from QFA. Prizes will also be awarded to the best player, goalkeeper, scorer, and best team fair play.

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QF carries out its mission through three strategic pillars: Education, Science and Research, and Community Development. QF's Education pillar brings world-class universities to Qatar to help create an education sector in which young people can develop the attitudes and skills required for a knowledge economy. Meanwhile, its science and research pillar builds Qatar's innovation and technology capacity by developing and commercializing solutions through key sciences. Finally, its community development pillar helps foster a progressive society while also enhancing cultural life, protecting Qatar's heritage and addressing immediate social needs in the community.

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