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<b>Texas A&amp;M at Qatar thanks local partners</b>	
<p>Texas A&amp;M University at Qatar hosted its annual Shukran from Texas A&amp;M at Qatar event on Monday, 4 Nov. The event recognized and thanked partners in industry, government and the local community who have supported the University during the past year. This included over 26 companies and individuals from Qatar and the GCC.</p> <p>The event was attended by VIP guests and leaders from many of Qatar’s most active governmental institutions and corporations, and included an address from His Excellency Dr. Mohammed bin Saleh Al Sada, minister of energy and industry.</p> <p>“ This Shukran event reflects our pride in the role Texas A&amp;M at Qatar plays in embracing and supporting Qatar’s National Vision 2030, as guided, launched, and supported by His Highness Sheikh Tamim bin Hamad Al-Thani, the Emir of the State of Qatar,” he noted in his address.</p> <p>His Excellency paid tribute to Texas A&amp;M at Qatar’s role in education, inspiring youth and helping transform Qatar into a hub of research and a center for</p>	

knowledge. He also thanked all those who have contributed to the success of the University, as well as its members of staff for their dedication and hard work.

"It is important to highlight the value of Texas A&M at Qatar's expertise and research initiatives in supporting Qatar's energy, industrial and commercial sectors. What is even more important is the fact that as Texas A&M at Qatar engineering graduates begin to contribute to Qatar's development, they will effectively be leading the next generation of young Qataris into their own journey for the same purpose."

"One can only feel a sense of reward to see this strong engagement between educational institutions and the various stakeholders at the government, industry, and local community levels."

Speaking to the audience of distinguished guests and industry leaders, Dr. Mark H. Weichold, Texas A&M at Qatar dean and CEO, said, "The University believes it is important to thank its most enthusiastic and steadfast supporters for their generous and extraordinary contributions to the University and its efforts. Texas A&M at Qatar would not be embarking upon its second decade, as it is this year, without your loyal commitment to our students, faculty and programs. The University's previous decade of success in contributing to the State of Qatar is thanks in so many ways to you."

"Texas A&M at Qatar's relationship with the community and its industry partners is unique, reciprocal and exceptional. Supporters such as you provide diverse resources, essential encouragement and significant inspiration to students. In turn, the University helps mold those students into leaders of character who are dedicated to the greater good and help develop Qatar's rapidly growing and maturing professional community. This support is not only reflected in the quality and ambition of the University's students, but in the vibrancy of Texas A&M at Qatar's research programs."

The University recognized the generous and steadfast support of many of its longtime partners, as well as new collaborators, including Maersk Oil Qatar, QAPCO, QAFCO, Qatar Shell, ORYX GTL, Oxy Qatar, Total E&P Qatar, Conocophillips Qatar, ExxonMobil, Qatar Fuel (WOQOD), Ooredoo, UDC, Agilent Technologies, Qatar Airways among many other loyal University supporters.

#### About Texas A&M University at Qatar

Texas A&M University, recognized as having one of the premier engineering

programs in the world, has offered undergraduate degrees in chemical, electrical, mechanical and petroleum engineering at Qatar Foundation's Education City campus since 2003, and graduate courses in chemical engineering since fall 2011. Over 400 engineers have graduated from Texas A&M at Qatar since 2007. In addition to engineering courses, Texas A&M at Qatar provides classes in science, mathematics, liberal arts and the humanities. All four of the engineering programs offered at Texas A&M at Qatar are accredited by ABET. The curricula offered at Texas A&M at Qatar are materially identical to those offered at the main campus in College Station, Texas, and courses are taught in English in a co-educational setting. The reputation for excellence is the same, as is the commitment to equip engineers to lead the next generation of engineering advancement. Faculty from around the world are attracted to Texas A&M at Qatar to provide this educational experience and to participate in research activities now valued at over \$159 million, and that address issues important to the State of Qatar. Visit [www.qatar.tamu.edu](http://www.qatar.tamu.edu).

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