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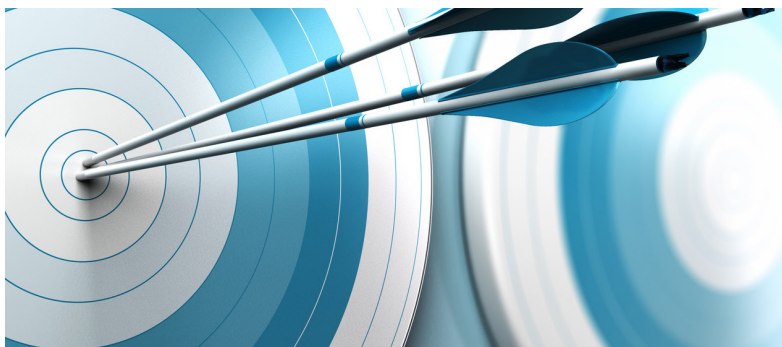


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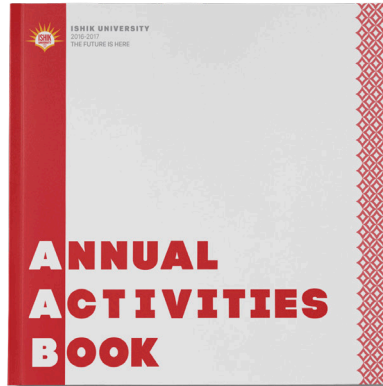
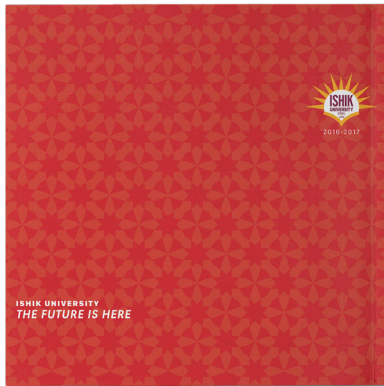
VISION

Tishk International University envisions being a leading educational institution in the world. We aim to do this by providing theoretical and practical education, research and development and cooperating with the regional and international universities.

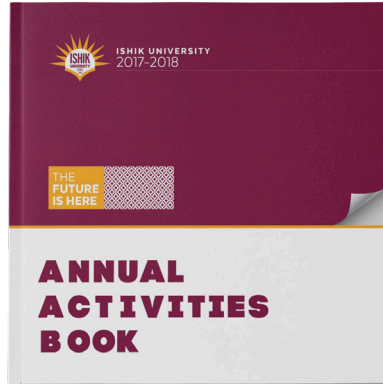
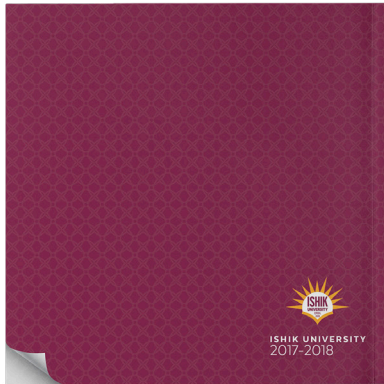
MISSION

To raise well-prepared, productive and competent individuals with a research-oriented spirit, who possess professional ethics and sensitiveness to the realities of the country and the world, in order to serve to fundamental human values; contribute to the improvement of the quality life of humanity based on regional and universal needs.

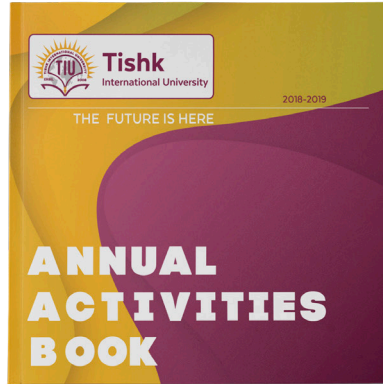
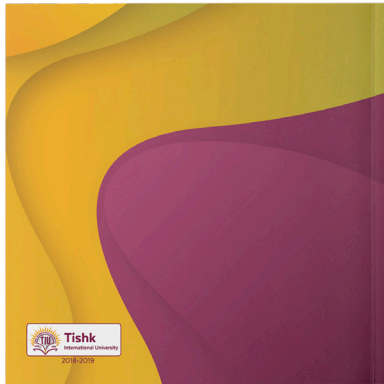




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ICABEP 2019 CONFERENCE



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Chess Tournament



ICABEP 2019



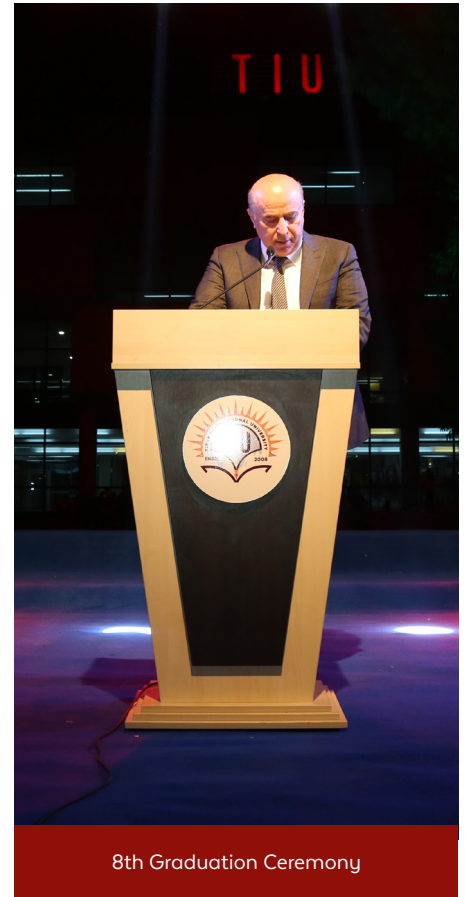
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Civil Engineering Competition Day



NICE 2019



8th Graduation Ceremony



8th Graduation Ceremony



4thClean & Love Kurdistan



IRO office in Tishk International University



New Laboratories Opening Ceremony



Clubs Introduction Day



Chander group from Sri Lanka



Seminar by Mr. M.P. Raj, Consul (Consular and Labor) from Indian consulate



Public diplomacy of Iranian Consulate visited Tishk International University



New collaboration with arche noVa organization



Renewing MoU with Hawler Medical University



Renewing MoU between TIU and Salahaddin University



4th International Festival of Language, Culture and Science



2nd National Nanotechnology Workshop
NW 2 - 2018



Mercy Corner for Food Fundraising



Tishk International University Celebrates The 10Th Anniversary Of Its Founding



“Hyphenated Techniques and its application in Phytopharmaceuticals”



Tree Planting



International Women's Day, March 8th



In December 2018, Name of
Ishik University
has been changed to
Tishk International University





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CERTIFICATES AWARDED



TIU Recognition by the Iraqi Ministry of Higher Education



Accreditation Certificate for the Mathematics Education Bachelor Degree Program



Accreditation Certificate for the Biology Education Bachelor Degree Program



Accreditation Certificate for the Computer Engineering Bachelor Degree Program



Accreditation Certificate for the Civil Engineering Bachelor Degree Program



Accreditation Certificate for the Information Technology Bachelor Degree Program



Accreditation Certificate for the Physics Education Bachelor Degree Program



ISO 9001:2015 Certificate for the Quality Management System



Accreditation Certificate for the English Language Teaching Bachelor Degree Program



TIU Membership in the Union of the Arab Universities



Accreditation Certificate for the Law Bachelor Degree Program



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CONFERENCES

4th

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE OF ORAL SCIENCES

Tishk International University, Faculty of Dentistry held its annual 4th International conference of Oral Sciences in the Dedeman Hotel on June 13th -14th, 2019, which was sponsored by VANEST Company as a platinum sponsor and 7 other sponsors from different field of dental industries. To enable the knowledge and information accessible to everyone, the 4th International Conference of Oral Sciences (ICOS IV) aims to gather researchers, practitioners, dentists, educators, and scholars with interests in many fields of dentistry at all levels from around the world. The ICOS IV 2019 conference was designed to attract the research communities to promote connections between theory and practice and explore different perspectives on the application of research findings into different dentistry field. The event started with the National Anthem of Iraq and Kurdistan and the inauguration speeches by Dr. Idris Hadi Salih,

Dr. Duran Kaladean of the Dentistry Faculty. After that, the officials, intellectuals and the visitors listened to the keynote speeches by Dr. Helena Chergava, from Ukrainian Military Medical Academy who discussed "Botox and filler in dentistry", after that Dr. Hakam Mousa from University of Jordan made his speech in which he discussed "Laminate Veener" and then the 3rd keynote speaker's speech started by Dr. Muhamed Bilal from Damascus University, he discussed "Computer-guided surgery in daily practice" and last our international speaker Dr. Sarthak Kadir from India made his speech in which he discussed "importance of photography in documentation of clinical cases". The conference started with the opening ceremony at 10.00 am with the participation of Dr. Idris Hadi Head of Board of Trustees of Tishk International University, the chief of KDP/ Erbil branch Mr. Ahmad Kani, Dr. Vian Jaff general director from the Ministry of Health, Dr. Noori Harzani counselor from the Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research, Dr. Dara Hama Rashid dean of Hawler Medical University -Faculty of Dentistry, Dr. Haitham AL-Ziarah dean of Kitab Faculty of Dentistry, Dr. Othman A.Omar Head of Kurdistan Dental Association. ICOS-2019 received 29 lectures and abstracts from 6 different countries and 11 different universities and institutions of Iraq. Each submission was reviewed by experts of Dental Community in the Kurdistan. We are particularly indebted to our keynote speakers: Dr. Helena Chergova from Ukraine, Assist Prof. Dr. Hakam Musa From Jordan, Dr. Muhammed Bilal from Syria, Dr. Sarthak Kadir from India and Also our esteemed Local speakers from Erbil, Baghdad, Musul, Kirkuk, Sulemania and Dohuk Without their outstanding contributions, the conference could not have been successful.



4th ILIC

INTERNATIONAL LEGAL ISSUES CONFERENCE

Faculty of Law at Tishk International University (TIU), organized 4th International Legal Issues Conference (ILIC) on Tuesday, April 30, 2019. The conference was attended by 95 researchers and academicians from 30 universities Iraq, Kurdistan and a lot of countries such as Libya, Jordan, Algeria, Egypt, U.K. and Bahrain. The Scientific Committee of the Conference received nearly 110 full papers. According to reviewers' report 67 full papers were accepted and all papers were published in the Conference Proceedings Books. The opening ceremony took place in the Education building and other sessions were held in the Law Faculty floor. At the beginning of the ILIC 2019 there were two keynote speakers shared their precious ideas with the audiences. The first Keynote speaker was Assist. Prof. Dr. Marwan Almodrs from Bahrain University and the second one was Dr. Osman Yaseen from shoura council of KRG. Apart from this ILIC 2019 was sponsored by Kar group, Khoshnaw group, Mass group and Dvia network research. All these company representatives were awarded and appreciated with plaque.



VESAL is an international platform for researchers, teachers, teacher educators, ESL researchers, curriculum designers, policy makers and more to come together. It gathers educator, linguist, and ESL specialist researchers sharing their experiences and knowledge to an audience of practitioners and researchers. One of the missions of Tishk International University, Education Faculty is to promote international exchange, to facilitate intercultural awareness, to encourage interdisciplinary discussion and to generate and share new knowledge, and we encourage you, as academics working throughout the world, to forge the friendships and working relationships with your fellow delegates in pursuit of the research synergies that drive positive change. On 26/04/2019, the 10th VESAL conference started with Welcome Dinner at Tishk International University. On 27/04/2018 the sessions started. The conference hosted two keynote speakers. Gregory Morrison who is Deputy Principal Officer at the U.S, and Dr. Nisreen Ameen who is a Lecturer in Information Technology Management at Queen Mary University of London and a Senior Lecturer at Bloomsbury Institute London. The conference ended with a closing ceremony with distributing certificates to the organizing committee members.



**INTERNATIONAL VISIBLE
CONFERENCE ON EDUCATIONAL
STUDIES & APPLIED LINGUISTICS**





Faculty of Administrative Sciences and Economics successfully completed 4th IBASSC (International Business Administrative Sciences Student Conference) on May 2nd, 2019. The conference started at 10:00 AM with a welcome speech by Mr. Karwan Talaat, the research assistant of Faculty of Administrative Sciences and Economics, as the Conference Moderator. Dr. Idris Hadi, President and Head of Board Trustees gave speech on the importance of conference in enhancing the knowledge among the students and progress made by Tishk International University during this academic year. Dr. Fatih Cura, Dean of Faculty of Administrative Sciences and Economics explained the significance of research to under-graduate final year students and provided his best wishes to all participants of the conference. He emphasized on impact of conference on the development of the country and improvement

of student's academic career. Dr. Heja Sindi, Deputy Dean of the University of Kurdistan, Hewler was the Keynote speaker and gave presentation on Issues in Business Management & Administration, current trends in research, need to think globally and act locally, responsibility of lecturers in providing value based education and need of exchange of ideas among universities, The keynote session was chaired by Mr. Navulur Krishna Surarchith, Co-chair of IBASSC. Mr. Karwan Sherwani Head of Business and Management Department Chair of the conference addressed introduction speech about IBASSC 2019 and expressed his happiness in conducting the 4th International Business Administrative Sciences Student Conference successfully with the support of lecturers to help students, the members of organizing committee and sponsors of the conference. Assistant Professor. Dr. Satya Subrah-

manyam has moderated the conference with the capacity as Scientific Secretary. A total of 23 research papers were received out of which 8 research papers were sent by the participants from England, Germany, Poland and India and 15 papers were from Kurdistan Region. Authors presented their research work touched upon all the main areas of business and management, economics, accounting and international relations and diplomacy. After the opening ceremony, there were 3 parallel sessions between 12:30 to 1:30 and 3 parallel sessions between 14:00 to 16:00 where two sessions were online from international authors from different countries. Mr. Karwan Sherwani thanked the dean, co-chair, scientific secretary, organizing committee members and participants in making the event successful. The conference was concluded at 4.30 pm with the welcoming caption of IBASSC 2020.

2nd ICABEP

ICABEP 2019 CONFERENCE COMPLETED SUCCESSFULLY. On April 10th and 11th, 2019, the Faculty of Administrative Sciences and Economics (FASE) of Tishk International University (TIU), and their partners from the University of Szczecin of Poland held the second annual International Conference on Accounting, Business, Economics and Politics (ICABEP 2019). The conference was attended by a large number of local and international researchers and academics. Overall, the Scientific Committee of the Conference received close to 90 abstracts, which are published in the Abstracts Book. Each full paper submission was then sent to a blind review, resulting in a collection of 52 fully published papers were published in Conference Proceedings Books. On its first day, the opening ceremony took place in the Saad Abdullah Palace, Erbil, and it was attended by a number of dignitaries, including diplomats, ministerial representatives, the presidency of the TIU and representatives from the University of Szczecin. Consul-

ar Generals and representatives of Poland, India, Japan, South Korea, Palestine, and Sri Lanka were present at the opening ceremony of the conference. In term of the presentations of the accepted papers, for the rest of the conference, presentations were made in 4 parallel sessions, providing an excellent opportunity for the researchers to engage in constructive discussions and the sharing of their researches. The organizing committees of the conference are proud to report that a large proportion of the submissions were made by scholars outside of the country, thus, making the conference truly international. In addition to this, researchers from various cities and institutions in Kurdistan and Iraq were also present. The Faculty of Administrative Sciences and Economics of TIU intends to turn ICABEP into an annual event in which each year researchers around the world gather here in the city of Erbil to present and discuss the latest developments in the relevant research areas.



2nd ICABEP

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

During ICABEP 2019 there were three keynote speakers shared their insights with the audiences. And They were received many curious questions from the participants. Professor Waldemar Tarczy ski from Poland presents one of the keynote speeches in the second International Conference on Accounting, Business, Economics and Politics (ICABEP 2019). On April 10th and 11th, 2019, the Faculty of Administrative Sciences and Economics of TIU held its second annual International Conference on Accounting, Business, Economics and Politics (ICABEP 2019). The conference was a collaboration between TIU and the University of Szczecin in Poland. One of the keynote speakers of the conference was Professor Waldemar Tarczy ski. In the

30 minutes that followed, he presented a paper entitled: "Is It Possible to Earn Money on The Warsaw Stock Exchange? New Approach to Risk Diversification". The presentation was then followed by a discussion between the Chair of the Session, Dr Hawraman Ali of the Department of International Relations and Diplomacy (TIU), and the presenter. Subsequently, questions were taken from the audience before the session came to an end. Prof. Dr. Wawrzyniec Konarski is Professor of Political Science (2005) - with post-doctoral degree (2002), currently professor at the Vistula University in Warsaw, formerly at the Jagiellonian University in Cracow (2010-2017), Warsaw University of Social Sciences and Humanities (2005-2011) and University of Warsaw (1980-2010) ; Poland; Ph. D. in political science (1985). A scholarship holder of the Finnish Ministry of Education (1991), a graduate of the Summer Institute in the American Political System (Washington D.C., Philadelphia, 1995), and a research fellow of the International Salzburg Seminar (Salzburg, 1996). Prof. Konarski's specialization is

on systems of government, political parties and political leadership. His keynote speech was on "Language as a Vehicle for Ethnopolitics. Introduction and Selected Exemplification". 3rd Keynote speaker, Dr. Chomik Slawomir is Doctor at practice and had different management positions in several famous pharmaceuticals companies through the Europe. Slawomir Chomik M.D., PhD MBA - Entrepreneur. Managing Partner of seed MRC VC fund in life science, Warsaw, Poland (Specialization, The pharmaceutical executive with full P&L responsibility across multiple geographies in the EU and CEE) His Paper Title is "An impact of digital technology transformation on health and social care system" The Faculty of Administrative Sciences and Economics is delighted to report that overall the conference was a major success, as it resulted in over 75 submissions of abstracts to the conference, from both local and international universities and institutions. Further, it provided an excellent opportunity for the researchers to exchange their views and discuss their researches



2nd ICABEP

ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION

FUTURE OF KURDISTAN HIGHER EDUCATION

During ICABEP 2019 conference round table discussion "Future of Kurdistan Higher Education" held at Mariana Hotel 11 April 2019 at 18.00. During the round table, experts from different specializations shared their thoughts on Accreditation, Bologna Process, and Quality Assurance issues of Kurdistan Higher Education. Experts from Poland passed their insights to counterparts in Erbil. Meeting minutes of Round table event at Mariana Hotel: Dr. Fatih Cura, Dean of FASE gave opening remarks regarding the future higher education system in the Kurdistan Region and requested all participants to introduce themselves.

Dr. Idris Hadi, Head of Board of Trustees explained issues related to the educational situation of Kurdistan in the past. Infrastructure was collapsed due to war and rebuilt 15 public and 19 private universities as of now. Dr. Idris Hadi explained about quality education at TIU, adapting BOLOGNA PROCESS, ISO 2008-2015, and ZEVA accreditation. As a minister of higher education in 2006, he implemented a strategy related to education under UNESCO and various joint programs with other countries' universities. The main focus was made on transforming the medium of instruction from Arabic to English in the region. Arab League of Universities accredited law department. TIU is trying for Institutional Accreditation from ZEVA. TIU is aiming to become a member of UNESCO.



TIU has more than 58 MOUs from different countries. Dr. Idris requested dignitaries from Europe to share their experiences on BOLOGNA PROCESS. Prof. Konoski from Vistula University shed light on their university, accreditation (EURO STAT, HUMAN RESOURCE EXCELLENCE WORK AND Institutional Quality Accreditation). There are nine accreditation programs across Europe and Vistula is part of leading journal PERSPECTIVES and they hosted programs in partnership with the journal. Dr. Waldemar, from the University of Schzen, shared their experiences related to BOLOGNA process. Interdisciplinary studies are emerging in Europe and the Bologna process is difficult. Many accreditations confuse educational institutions and quality is created through international bodies who provide accreditation. He emphasized on students' choice after their graduation. Mr. Adam Sulich shared his experience regarding BOLOGNA process and raised issues on a point system (IMPACT FACTOR AND CITATIONS). Asst. Prof. Dr. Abdul Karim shared his thoughts on BOLOGNA process where the Kurdistan Region is trying to focus on teacher-centered learning to student-centered learning and improve entrepreneurial skills among students. Dr. Ahmet Demir raised issues on external auditing systems as corporate culture and educational institutions focus must transform from theory to practical knowledge in

all disciplines. Dr. Fatih Cura emphasized on EPAS accreditation process of faculty of administration sciences and economics which properly keeps the system to improve the quality. Dr. Chomik explained the reasons for educational institutions in going for accreditation. Institutions go for accreditation to improve their value in the educational system and attract students. Alumni's success in terms of placements is one of the criteria. Labor market demands curriculum for students. Dr. Dilshad Hamad raised the issue of accreditation and institutions must strive towards imparting the culture of accreditation standards. Dr. Margosha shared her thoughts on the implementation of BOLOGNA process which needs a strategy. It helps co-operation among many universities and student mobility among EU will be easy. The institution may get some grants by joining BOLOGNA process. Dr. Idris shared the strategy of TIU related to BOLOGNA process and conducted a survey to understand the needs of society and designed programs like petroleum engineering, mechatronics, and some other programs are under evaluation. TIU tries to reduce the scientific gap between the Kurdistan region and the world by working on many projects to help the society and student community. Round Table meeting started at 6.00 PM and adjourned at 7.30 PM on 11th April 2019. Venue: Mariana Hotel

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE 2018, MUSCAT, OMAN

During October 21 - 22, 2018, Dr. Idris Hadi Salih, Head of Board of Trustees and Acting President of Ishik University participated in the international conference 2018 in Muscat, Oman, upon the invitation of accreditation service for international schools, colleges & universities (ASIC). ASIC is an internationally renowned quality standard for schools, colleges, universities and online learning providers. ASIC has been formed to bring independent

information to both the student population and the wider Higher Education world, through its international accreditation service with well-defined and objective benchmarking. The conference was focusing on the quality assurance issues, developments in higher education, international marketing and working with agents. The conference was partnered with EBBS to provide extra opportunity for networking and partnership

development with institutions and universities. Dr. Idris have the opportunity to meet with the representatives of accredited institutions and senior staff of ASIC who presented presentations throughout the conference on important topics in International Education. Ishik is planning to host ASIC staff to visit Ishik university in the nearest time to be internationally accredited.



3rd NPC

3rd NATIONAL POP-CONFERENCE (NPC-2019)

3rd National POP-conference (NPC-2019) was held on 2nd of March 2019 by Education Faculty of Tishk International University. Faculty of Education organizes professional development (PD) series for pre-service teachers to increase students' skills and to make them aware of professional teaching and learning. National POP- Conference is also one of the key concepts of this PD series which organized by a collaboration between the departments of Mathematics, Physics, Biology Education and English Language Teaching Departments. The NPC-2019 conference

was started by a remarkable speech of Dr. Idris Hadi Salih, head of Board of Trustees and President of TIU and continued with the welcome speech of Chair of NPC-2019 Dr. Suleyman Celik, Dean of Education faculty. Then the time came for keynote presentation, and Dr. Frano L. Ivezaj performed his amazing speech about Teachers of future and requirements of being a successful teacher. The organizing committee of NPC-2019 visited and invited about 60 schools and its esteemed experienced teachers to share their experiences with our pre-service teachers. Successfully,

there were 28 speakers and, approximately 300 students' from 3rd and 4th grades of Education faculty participated in NPC-2019. The conference was closed by closing dinner for school principals, invited teachers from schools and organizing the committee of NPC-2019. During the dinner and after, the future plans of the Education Faculty for our teacher candidates and the demands of society has been discussed. You are cordially invited to NPC-2020 which will be held in March 2020.



ON-LINE CONFERENCE BETWEEN ISHIK UNIVERSITY AND KAZAN FEDERAL UNIVERSITY

“The dialogue of the West and East: topical issues of contemporary education and pedagogics” was the on-line conference theme where Faculty of Education students participated and received an international certificate from Kazan Federal University, Russian Federation. The Online conference was organized by KFU which is one of the best universities in Russia. It was held on November 22, 2018. Nearly, seventy students and staff members of Education Faculty of Ishik University enthusiastically attended the conference. The participants of the Conference were from different nationalities and cultures. The aim of the conference was to bridge the gap between East and West as the title suggests. After warm greetings to each other, representatives from two different parts of the world

(Republic of Tatarstan/Russia and Kurdistan Region/Iraq) – current undergraduate and graduate students of both universities presented their valuable and concise presentations one after another. At the end of the conference, International Certificates of Participation were granted to our students and they were given a chance to publish their thesis and reports in the collection of articles of the traditional summer scientific and practical conference “Foreign Languages in the Modern World” (РИНЦ) which is also annually held by KFU. Apart from presenting ideas and experiences, a positive atmosphere was generated during the conference, hoping to involve further cooperation with the above-mentioned foreign university.



5th IEEEC

INTERNATIONAL ENGINEERING CONFERENCE

5th International Engineering Conference in cooperation with IEEE Iraq Section Tishk International University and Erbil Polytechnic University hosted 5th International Engineering Conference (IEC2019) on June 23-25, 2019. IEC2019 is technically sponsored by IEEE and IEEE Iraq Section. The conference aimed to disseminate research findings and provide a platform for scholars to debate and exchange ideas on the developments in the field of engineering. The accepted papers will be indexed by IEEE Xplore Digital Library Database. Furthermore, the conference provides our graduate students a chance to establish communication with experienced researchers to discuss their current work as well as to be engaged in future research topics, and new opportunities. The program committee (the reviewers) is comprised of 200 members, 172 of them are PhD holders in certain fields of engineering, relevant to one or more conference topics mentioned above. The quality

measures of papers included several criteria such as Relevance and Timeliness, Novelty and Originality, Technical Content and Correctness, Quality of Presentation, References used in the paper, Written Language, Reviewer Expertise, Overall Recommendation. This year, the total number of submitted manuscripts stood at 142 from several countries including Cyprus, Germany, Hungary, India, Iran, Iraq, Malaysia, Saudi Arabia, and United Kingdom. By track, 68 papers were related to Computer Engineering & Information Technology topics, 25 papers were related to Engineering Applications topics, 12 papers were related to Digital Communication topics, 17 papers were related to Construction Engineering topics, 6 papers were related to Environmental and Hydraulic Engineering topics, while 14 articles were written in the Geo-Techn cal and Transportation Engineering related fields. The rate of acceptance was 57% while 61 papers pre-accepted and presented. Erbil Polytechnic and

Tishk International University are grateful to all prospective presenters for their valuable contributions that will bring new perspectives on the developments in the Civil and Computer Engineering to Kurdistan Region. This year our conference has hosted three distinguish keynote speakers. The one is Assoc. Prof. Dr. Marek SALAMAK (Silesian University of Technology, Gliwice, Poland) and gave a keynote speech titled "Bridge Management Systems with BIM and Augmented Reality Implementation", the other one is Prof. Cesare Oliviero Rossi (Department of Chemistry and Chemical Technologies, University of Calabria, Arcavacata, Cosenza, Italy) mentioned about "Physical Chemistry Characterization of Modified Bitumen" and the last one is Dr. Saad Essa (Erbil Polytechnic University, Erbil, Iraq) talked about "Using of Functionally Graded Material in Civil Engineering". Regarding the conference, five workshops were organized, 3 of them in the field of Computer Engineering and Information Technologies and one in Civil Engineering, the other one in Mechatronics. The first workshop was titled as "Utilising Computer Technologies in Daily Life Application". The topics of the first workshop were "Wi-Fi in the Sky: Mechanism and Requirements", "A.I Techniques: Steering the Behaviour of Human Actors in Agent-Based Modelling" and "Remote Experimentation Labs in Science and Engineering Education: VISIR System" respectively. The chair of this panel was Dr. Ahmad B. Al-Khalil (MIEEE Iraq Section, University of Duhok, College of Science, Dept. of Computer Science, Duhok - Iraq). The other members for this panel were Dr. Shaheen A. Abdulkareem (MIEEE Iraq Section University of Duhok, College of Science, Dept. of Computer Science, Duhok - Iraq) and Dr. Razwan M.S. Najjimaldeen (MIEEE Iraq Section, University of Duhok, College of Science, Dept. of Computer Science, Duhok - Iraq). The

second workshop was titled as “Information Security and its new challenges.” The topics of the first workshop were “The Cognitive Computation and its Applications in Information Security”, “The Blockchain Technology as a New Trend: Abstracting, Usability, and Future Directions”, “Blockchain Technology (Common Risks and Auditing Environment)” and “Emotion in Decision Making” respectively. The chair of this panel was Prof. Dr. Eng. Sattar B. Sadkhan (SMIEEE, IT College, Babylon University, Iraq.) The other members for this panel were Assist. Prof. Dr. Jumana Waleed (Department of Computer Science, College of Science, University of Diyala, Iraq), Assist. Prof. Dr. Thekra Abbas (Department of Computer Science, College of Science, Mustansiriyah, Iraq), and Rusul Sattar. B. Sadkhan (MIEEE, Al-Mustaqbel University College- Babylon-Iraq.) The third workshop was titled as “Graph Modeling: Foundations, Applications and Practice in Python” and chaired by Dr. Ismael Ali, University of Zakho. The other members for this panel were Dr. Karwan Jacksi, University of Zakho, and Mr. Mashhood Ali, University of Zakho. The fourth workshop was titled as “Future Trends in Mechatronics” and chaired by Dr. Abdulazeez Ali Hussein (Mechatronics Engineering Department, Tishk International University, Erbil, Iraq). The other members for this panel were Assist. Prof. Abadal-Salam T. Hussain (Department head of Medical Instrumentations Technique Engineering, Alkitab University, Kirkuk, Iraq), Asst. Prof. Yahya Alhammad (Department of Medical Device Technologies, Al-Kitab University, Kirkuk, Iraq.) The last one was titled as “Enhancing KRG’s project Performance toward Safety” and presented by Haval M. Salih (Civil Engineering Department, Tishk International University, Erbil, Iraq). We are grateful to our sponsors: Hemn Group, and Rasan Group.







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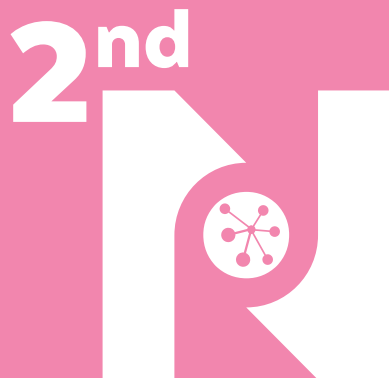
WORKSHOPS

“HYPHENATED TECHNIQUES AND ITS APPLICATION IN PHYTOPHARMACEUTICALS”

1st National Workshop on “Hyphenated Techniques and its application in Phytopharmaceuticals” With sponsorship of Al-Qiffaf Scientific Company the 1st national workshop on Hyphenated Techniques and its applications in Phytopharmaceuticals has been held by Faculty of Pharmacy on 23-24 April 2019. Many valuable guests have participated in this workshop for two days. Asst. Prof. Dr. Ashwaq Al-Jaf (Member in Iraqi Parliament), Deans, academic staff, participants from Pharmacy Colleges in many cities of Iraq and Kurdistan, Basrah Drug Quality Center, and Samarrah Drug Industry quality center have attended the workshop.

The workshop started with a welcome speech by Dr. Esra Bayrakdar (Head of Department) and both national anthems, then Dr. Idris Hadi (Head of board of Trustees) has presented a speech to the participants, after that Dr. Muath Sheet (Dean of Pharmacy) gave a brief introduction to the workshop at the beginning of the program. Asst. Prof. Dr. Abdulmutallab A.G. Jawhar Dean of Baghdad College of Medical Sciences has made a presentation as the keynote speaker. Other speakers from Basrah University, Koya University, Alzahrawi University, and Tishk International University has also given presentations in this workshop.





NATIONAL NANOTECHNOLOGY WORKSHOP

speech beside an introduction about the university profile was given by the head of board of trustees of Ishik University, Dr. Idris Hadi Salihi. His speech included the mission and vision and the future prospect of the Ishik University. The workshop lasted two days and finished on Dec 24th, 2018. Everything went by the program announced in the webpage before. It was full environmental science and took two full days from morning till evening times with various scientific activities. Ishik University invited a distinguished researcher from Jordan, Prof. Dr. Muhammed-Ali Al-Omari, as a Keynote speaker for the workshop. More than hundred distinguished academicians from several universities and from various departments participated in the sessions of the workshop. Researchers had a very scientific environment to

The 2nd National Nanotechnology Workshop was organized by Physics Education Department, Education Faculty, Ishik University on Dec 23 and 24, 2018 at Ishik University, Education Faculty Building in Erbil. The opening ceremony started on Dec 23rd with a welcoming

discuss their recent research finding and share their valuable knowledge during the sessions. The attendance's lunch meal, certificates, gifts, tea, and coffee were provided for all participants for free, this was decided by the Ishik university' council before. Ishik University was a lonely sponsor for the 2nd National Nanotechnology Workshop in 2018. The NW-2 presentations in the workshop were mostly based on the published articles in the EAJSE journal. This journal published a special issue on nanotechnology and will be available online after Jan 2, 2019. During the 2nd Nanotechnology Workshop, the following activities also presented which was highly accepted by the participants and the speakers: * Invited speaker's talk: Prof. Dr. Muhammed-Ali Al-Omari - Biophysics * Academic oral presentations: Novel studies on Nanotechnology- Published Researches on Special Issue on Nanotechnology- EAJSE journal * Poster presentations * Academic debates on water purification using Nanoparticles and Nanofibers. * Open discussion: "The Present and Future of Nanotechnology: Our Perspectives" Finally, the events ended with certificates awarding and with group photos for the participants. Participants gave a special thanks to the organizers and Ishik University's endless support and they hoped to see the 3rd Nanotechnology workshop in 2019 with more activities and support to the Nanoscience researchers. The Physics Education department would like to acknowledge the support from the Ishik University and would also like to thank and appreciate to researchers who had presentations, to all staff, students and the participants. The Physics department would like to wish you all the best and further success.



A JOINT WORKSHOP ON SOCIAL COHESION IN THE KURDISTAN REGION



In a unique collaborative initiative between Ishik University's International Relations and Diplomacy (IRD) department and the Barzani Charity Foundation, a joint workshop was organized at Ishik University to address the timely issue of 'social cohesion' in the humanitarian contexts. The Workshop which took place on October 7th 2018 came under the title 'Fostering Social Cohesion: A New Phase of Humanitarian Work in the Kurdistan Region'. The workshop brought together field experience and data from the BCF, which is a very active humanitarian NGO in the Kurdistan Region and Iraq and academic skills of staff at Ishik University's department of IRD. Attended by representatives from

a number of UN agencies, international and national NGOs, community leaders, academicians from Ishik and other universities and students, the event started with messages from Dr. Idris Hadi, the president of Ishik University and Mr. Musa Ahamad, president of the BCF. The workshop consisted of two sessions and six presentations. Generally, the presentations covered issues around social cohesion, diversity, social capital, migration and displacement, tolerance, coexistence and others. The main focus of the workshop was on the conceptual and research basis of 'social cohesion' and current status of social cohesion in Iraq and the Kurdistan Region especially where concerns the relation between the host com-

munity and the massive population of refugees and internally displaced persons (IDPs) in the Region. The aim of the workshop was to improve collaborative work between the university and the larger community especially, active humanitarian actors in the Region. At the end of the event the workshop organizers addressed major stakeholders in Iraq and the Kurdistan Region through a set of recommendations with the ultimate aim of providing policy-oriented data and ideas as a roadmap to a better and more proactive engagement with the issue of social cohesion in order to achieve a more cohesive society in Iraq and the Kurdistan Region.

A SERIES OF WORKSHOPS PRESENTED AT ICOS 2019!

Tishk International University, Faculty of Dentistry held its annual conference of Oral Sciences in the Dedeman Hotel on June 13th -14th, 2019. In this conference 4 workshops were held by VANEST and BRIGHTDENT companies which were parallel to conference program flow by esteemed dentists locally and abroad in Dedeman Hotel. The topics were shown to be so promising that seats for these classes were reserved

within a short period, which 100 participants were attending to workshops. The workshops were as follows:

- 1. a) 2 workshops held by Dr. Khidher Mustafa under title (Rotary Endodontic)**
- 2. b) (Direct anterior restoration) held by Dr. Zardasht Bradosty**
- 3. c) (Laminate veneers in everyday practice) held by Asst. Prof. Dr. Hakam Mousa**



A WORKSHOP BY DISTINGUISHED LECTURER SPE 2019

On March 07, 2019, both Petroleum and Mining Engineering Department of Tishk International University (TIU) and Society of Petroleum Engineers International (SPE) - Erbil Section organized a workshop entitled "Using Down-hole Fiber Optic Temperature Sensing Technology to Monitor, Control and Improve Well Performance" For the Distinguished Lecturer program held periodically by SPE branches in the world. At the beginning of

the workshop, TIU was introduced to the guests by Dr. Mohammed Ali Namuq (coordinator at the Petroleum and Mining Engineering Department) and then SPE Erbil section chairperson introduced SPE and DL program to them. Prof. Dr. Ding Zhu, from the University of Texas A&M, USA, which is one of the worldwide known Universities for offering Petroleum Engineering program, presented the topic in the presence of 40 ac-

ademic staffs, company man and students. Prof. Dr. Ding Zhu indicated to the benefits of this technology and applications. At the end of the workshop an open discussion period was available for guests to more enrich their knowledge in this field of technology. The workshop started at 9:30 until 13:00 and took place in the education building room No 302 at the TIU.



MATLAB, PROGRAMMABLE LOGIC CONTROLLER (PLC) & SOLAR ELECTRIC VEHICLE

Mechatronics Engineering Department under the Faculty of Engineering organized a National Workshop entitled of "MATLAB, Programmable Logic Controller (PLC) & Solar Electric Vehicle" on 28th & 29th of April 2019. Mr. Ganesh Babu Loganathan, Head of Mechatronics Engineering, gave short-bio of Prof. Dr. Ezideen hasso, Duhok Polytechnic University & Asst. Prof. Mr. N.S. Sivakumar (TIU). He presented their thoughts on the workshop theme. The workshop was having four sessions with 89 participants. The participants consist of students and lecturers from different universities. Participants were served with a coffee break which created an atmosphere of social and professional interaction between participants and presenter between the sessions. The workshop had an excellent insight for the participants on the current situation and what exactly is happening in the Mechatronics profession in local and international companies in the World. The workshop ended with the

questions and answers from the participants from different directions such as the implementation of the MATLAB, PLC Software in entire country. Mr. Ganesh Babu Loganathan, Head of Department presented certificate of appreciation to Prof. Dr. Ezideen hasso, & Asst. Prof N.S. Sivakumar for providing their valuable insights from her professional experience and the industry. The areas of Engineering covered in the workshop were as the following:

1. Introduction to MATLAB

- Programming & Analysing MATLAB.
- Different windows of MATLAB
- SIMULINK
- Simscape in contrast to SIMULINK

2. Automation with Programmable Logic Controller (PLC)

- Introduction Automation, PLC and Ladder Programming
- Logic Gates, Switches and Sensors
- Siemens Soft Comfort Package
- Exercises: Basic Logic Gates Representation in Ladder Programming

- Motor Start/Stop with Seal-in Rung
- Timers in Ladder Programming

3. Solar Energy Workshop: Partial Shading of Photovoltaic (PV) Panels

- Introduction to Solar Energy, Solar Constant
- PV cell as a diode,
- Characteristic curve
- Equivalent circuit
- Building a panel
- Partial shading analysis
- Simscape simulation

4. Solar Vehicle Projects: Opportunities and Challenges

- Introduction to Solar Vehicle
- Solar electric vehicle projects

Faculty of Engineering appreciates Prof. Dr. Ezideen hasso, & Asst.Prof N.S.Sivakumar for gracing the event and expect continuous cooperation in future endeavors.



QANDIL ORGANIZATION WORKSHOP

On September 09, 2018, Qandil organization prepared a four-day workshop in cooperation with Ishik University which was funded by GIZ under the title of Job Hunting. The workshop started on September 09, 2018, till September 12, 2018, each day from 10:00 AM to 03:00 PM, the training topics were, (How to Write Effective CV, how to prepare for an Interview and how to apply for a job). 120 students participated in the workshop and all of them certified with the certification of participation. We want to thank Qandil Organization for their efforts to help the young generation to increase their awareness and improve their self-confidence.



RENEWABLE ENERGY UTILIZATION WORKSHOP

International Relations Office (IRO) organized a workshop in collaboration of representative of Freiberg University Dr. Abdulqader Qadw on February 14, 2019. "Renewable Energy Utilization" was the title of the workshop which have been held in the faculty of engineering at Tishk International University. Prof. Dr. ING Habil Gerd Walter faculty member in the Freiberg University, Germany was the presenter of the

workshop. Both Dr. Idris Hadi Saalih, President, and Prof. Dr. Ahmet Özta , Director of IRO, participated in the workshop. The importance of utilizing renewable energy sources also need of sustainable energy system and also he discussed about the P2G technologies and its impact to the city. Dr. Gerd highlighted the contents which consist of technology for water and space heating, solar-thermal power plant,

photovoltaic electricity generation, wind energy utilization, a futures hydrogen-based energy system. As a conclusion he suggested that we have to take actions for saving energy and need for more green energy he insisted that first step is saving of energy, second order is use of renewable energy At the end, Dr. Idris Hadi presented an appreciation award plaque.



SPE WORKSHOP

A workshop presented by Society of Petroleum Engineers- Erbil Section (SPE) in the Department of Petroleum and Mining Engineering at Tishk University on November 14, 2018. The workshop is a part of SPE program called Distinguished Lecturer (DL), where each year, SPE selects a group of professionals, nominated by their peers, to share their knowledge and expertise with SPE members through visits to local sections. This year the DL is Dr. Cosan Ayan and his topic entitled (Reservoir and Fluid Characterization with Formation Testers: Reducing Asset Uncertainties). Dr. Ayan is a former Reservoir Engineering Advisor for Schlumberger. The workshop started at 9:30 AM and finished at 12:00. It included two sessions with a break in-between. During and after both sessions, many warm and valuable discussions between the presenter and the guests happened about the presentation and the related issues. Guests from inside our university (including our students) and from outside, especially from some oil companies, attended the workshop. The dense presence of guests revealed the importance of the event and the valuable scientific material which was presented.



WORKSHOP ORGANIZED BY ACCOUNTING DEPARTMENT IN COLLABORATION WITH WHA, ERBIL

Accounting Department under the Faculty of Administrative Sciences and Economics (FASE) organized a national workshop under the title of “Apply and Challenges of Accounting in Business” on 22nd of April 2019. Mr. Karwan Sherwani, Head of Business and Management, gave short-bio of Mrs. Dilbar Mizori, WHA Company for Financial and Human Resource Services, Erbil. She presented her thoughts on the workshop theme. The workshop was having two sessions with 44 participants. The participants consist of students and lecturers from different universities. Participants were served with a coffee break which created an atmosphere of social and professional interaction between participants and presenter between the sessions. The workshop had an excellent insight for the participants on the current situation and what exactly is happening in the accounting profession in local and international companies in Kurdistan. The workshop ended with the questions and answers from the participants from different directions such as the implementation of the accounting standards, tax regulations, accounting ethics, confidentiality, future of accounting in Kurdistan and so on. WHA Company distributed stress balls and course material to the participants of the workshop. Dr. Fatih Cura presented certificate of appreciation to Mrs. Dilbar Mizori for providing her valuable insights from her professional experience and the industry. The areas of Accounting covered in the workshop were as the following:

1. Introduction to Accounting

Sub-areas: Recording, Summarizing, Reporting and analyzing

2. The difference between Bookkeepers and Accountants

3. Basic of Accounting Principles

Sub-areas: Balance Sheet, Assets, liabilities and owner equity, income statement, cash flow statement, statement of shareholder's Equity.

4. Difference between financial reporting in local and international

5. Future of Accounting in Kurdistan

6. Weak and strong points of accounting in Kurdistan.

FASE appreciates Mrs. Dilbar Mizori and Mr. Sarvanan Chandra Sekhar for gracing the event and expect continuous cooperation in future endeavors.





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FUTURE INVENTORS OLYMPIAD PROJECT



The Final Stage of the 5th Future Inventors Olympiad Project (FIOP) was held on February 16, 2019, at Ronaki International School in Erbil in the presence of representatives from Ministry of Education, Academics, Directors, high schools' teachers, students' family and their friends. Future Inventor Olympiad was organized in collaboration with Kurdistan Regional Government Ministry of Education, Ronaki Hawler Education Company, and Tishk International University. Dr. Duran Kala, the head of Jury members, said that the aim of Olympiad is to improve the creative ability and scientific thought of high school students, as well as the skills and clarity shown in their projects and to help the growing of future scientists. This year, 20 Biology, 8 Chemistry, 5 Computer, 11 Mathematics and software, 11 Physics, 10 Design and Short Movie (total 65) projects made it to the Final stage of Erbil FIOP.

The projects were evaluated by a specially selected team of 14 Jury members from both Tishk International University and high school teaching staff – each with a unique set of skills and experience. 10% of contestants were awarded gold medals, 20% with silver, and 30% with bronze. In addition to medals and certificates, monetary awards given to the students and supervisors of the best projects of FIOP 2019. Certificates of participation were given to all registered participants. Tishk International University is one of the main sponsor of this project. This project was also held in Duhok and Baghdad in contribution of the ministry of education. The successful students will have a chance to represent Kurdistan/Iraq in the international projects and competitions in different countries such as the USA, Netherlands, Kenya, Georgia, Indonesia, Brazil, etc.

MERCY CORNER PROJECT

On December 20, 2018, Dean of Students finalized the Mercy Corner Project by delivering the collected donations for the Hassan Sham Camp, which there are 1200 IDPs families living in there that most of them from Mosul. The amount of the donations estimated to be around 40,000 \$ which we prepared a package for each family includes (men cloth, women cloth, toys, 5 kg of rice, two bottles of oil, lentils, shoes, blanket, diaper, socks, two types of kids clothes, baby clothes). We prepared 700 packages which we could cover 700 families of the camp. Our objective is to help people in need, especially the refugees. Our target for this year is Hassan Sham camp which needs help desperately in education and health. We are trying to provide both of them. We want to raise awareness in the field

of helping in need and the values of helping someone.

The Project plan was as below:

On 15 October we started the first meeting to set the organizing committee to manage the project which all of them were our students as below:

Hassan Wishyar- Operation Manager

Hazhar Peshawa- Categorizing Manager

Suraiya Muhammed-Store Manager

Mahmood Fadhel- Main Building Responsible

Muhammed Salam- Education Building Responsible

Miran Abdulla- Dentistry Building Responsible

Sivar Sardar- Logistic Manager

Darya Tahir, Reem Muhammed- Design Team

Doski Ramazan, Roksana Hazahr, Bayad Sarwar,

Saro Aram- Media Team



RELIGIOUS DIVERSITY PROJECT

The project of “Religious Diversity“ has started in 2018 with a visit of the German side to Tishk International University (TIU) on April, 2018 and the counter-visit of Iraqi/Kurdish faculties was on September 2018, to Potsdam University, Germany. We have the best memories to both events and we are still grateful for your overwhelming hospitality and support. The project will continue in 2019. First, via video-conferences has been held in January 23, 2019 in Potsdam university and Tishk International University. In the presence of Professor für Religionswissenschaft, Dr. Stefan Gatzhammer from Potsdam University and Prof. Dr. Ahmet Özta , Director of international relations office on the date March 24, 2019 in Tishk International University. They had a meeting and they discussed about next activity, which is a summer-school in Potsdam (June/July), for which the DAAD will fund six students and three lecturers from each university. During the summer school in June/ July project participants will discuss religious diversity and study-techniques also with German students and faculty. But the main subject-matter will be the portraits of religious communities that the Erbil field-researchers will present. A publisher in Germany (ER-GON-Verlag) signaled interest to publish the results of this project in a book.





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CIVIL ENGINEERING COMPETITION DAY

Civil engineering department in collaboration with ACI-Iraq chapter organized two competitions on April 03, 2019, Spaghetti Bridge and FRC bowling ball. More than 80 students participated in the competitions from universities in Erbil region such as Salahaddin University. The FRC bowling ball competition is the first time that held in Iraq under supervision of ACI- Iraq Chapter. The FRC bowling ball were evaluated through three steps; first: the bowling game, second: the drop test, and the compression test. For Spaghetti Bridge the more load sustained one become the winner. Participant certifications were awarded for every contestant. First, second and third winners for the both competitions were awarded by the presidency of the Tishk International University (TIU). The department distributed the certificate of appreciations for the organizing committee and juries.



5th NICE 2019

NATIONAL INNOVATION COMPETITION IN ENGINEERING

Tishk International University held 5th National Innovations Competition in Engineering (NICE2019) on May 05, 2019, under the theme of “Targeting Smart Sustainable Innovations.” Dr. Idris Hadi Salih, Head of Board of Trustees and President of Tishk International University, Deans, and Heads of Departments of the universities that participated honored the Hosts with their presence. NICE (National Innovations Competition in Engineering) is a groundbreaking Engineering competition open to higher education students in Kurdistan Region. Project competition was held in seven different categories: Computer Science and Engineering, Civil Engineering, Surveying and Geomatics, Interior Design Engineering, Architecture Engineering,

Petroleum and Mining Engineering, and Mechatronic Engineering. The competition aims to explore the ability of the students and provide a platform for the students to present their projects to the markets and exchange ideas on the developments in the field of engineering. More than 140 projects were presented by 400 students. More than 70 precious jury members evaluated these projects and selected the winners. The organization provided students with a chance to establish communication with each other to discuss their current work as well as to be encouraged in future projects. The competition was held among thirteen different institutes and universities of Kurdistan and Iraq.







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MERCY CORNER FOR FOOD FUNDRAISING

Student Deanery of Ishik University organized a food fundraising event on December 05, 2018 with the support and contribution of our volunteer students and staff in the entrance of the main building. In the presence of Dr. Idris Hadi, Head of Board of Trustees and Ishik University staff commenced the event after the ribbon cutting. They paid a visit to the event in which they got very happy to see such charity project enrolling in our university. They highly appreciated all of our volunteer students and the committee of the organization. Then many media agencies enriched the event by shooting the event area. The interest in the event was real high; not simply the students, but also the staff visited the stalls and bought products to assist the masses in need since the foods were home-made foods, fresh drinks, and sweets. Since the aim of this charity event was to assist Mercy Corner's project. Approximately 2,700 \$ were collected, and all the income will be donated to Mercy Corner. We would like to thank all of our students and staff for their donation and contributions. We are looking forward to participating in such more charity projects.



4th INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL OF LANGUAGE, CULTURE & SCIENCE



On Wednesday, April 24, 2019, the 4th International Festival of Language, Culture and Science was held at the campus of Tishk International University with the participant of general consulates, parliament members, parents, students, staff and guests. The festival started at 10:00 AM with the national anthem, then Dr. Idris Hadi Salih, Head of Board of Trustees, made outstanding speech. He mentioned the importance of such social and cultural activities as TIU has always been worked on coexistence and gathered different culture and language, as well as this festival, is a clear example of that. Afterwards, Mr. M.P. Raj, Consul (Consular and Labor) from Indian consulate gave an excellent speech and appreciated TIU for organizing such a great event. Then they cut the ribbon and had a tour around the cultural and scientific stands. Later on, Students of TIU has participated in a live performance which was a great chance to show their talents on stage with some other activities such as traditional games, and their performance was great in the live concert which was incorporation with our club instructors. The Festival had scientific stands from 21 academic departments. The tent stands of the festival were from the following countries and cultures: Bangladesh, Bulgaria, Canada, China, Czech Republic, Denmark, Egypt, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, India, Iran, Italy, Japan, Jordan, Korea, Kuwait, Netherland, Palestine, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Russia, Sri Lanka, Spain, Sweden, Syria, Turkey, UAE, UK, USA, and nations such as: Arabs, Kurds, Turkmen, and Assyrians.



4th INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL OF LANGUAGE, CULTURE & SCIENCE



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AUTISM DAY

At the beginning of the new academic year 2018-2019, a community service project was given to the faculty of pharmacy by deanery of students. This project aims to help autism patients. At first, a charity team was created and consisted of staff and students interested in charity group. After that, on December 18, 2018, the group visited Hana Autism Center, there a brief explanation of the autism and the center was given by Mrs. Zagros, the manager of the center, and a tour was made inside the center to meet the patients. The student were very happy to participate in this. After the visit, a meeting was arranged with students to decide how to help Autism patients. At the end, it was agreed to arrange an event in April, Autism Awareness month. On April 03, 2019, a celebration was conducted that consisted of two parts, at first, a seminar presented aimed to increase people awareness about Autism disease. During the seminar, Mrs. Zagros, the manager of Hana Autism Center, talked about the difficulties of being a mum of autism patient, and how she adapted the problem and opened a center to help other families to deal with their autism patients. The details of sign and symptoms, treatments, and prevalence of autism occurrence were presented by one of the Pharmacy students, Mohammed Sultan. Several videos of Hana Autism Center and patients were showed to seminar participants. In fundraising part, several activities were arranged, for example, selling food and handicrafts, drawing Henna, competitions, and measuring blood pressure, blood sugar and body mass index, to aid the Center.



GRADUATION PHOTO TAKING DAY

Graduation Photo Taking Day
Faculty of Engineering
Faculty of Administrative Sciences
and Economics
Faculty of Education
Faculty of Science
Class 2018-2019
April 09, 2019.
Tishk International University congratulates all faculty students for completing their bachelor study successfully. We wish all the best for all.



GRADUATION PHOTO TAKING DAY DENTISTRY FACULTY

Graduation Photo Taking Day
Dentistry Faculty
Class 2018-2019
April 06, 2019.

Tishk International University congratulates all the dentistry faculty students for completing their bachelor study successfully. We wish all the best for all.



INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS STUDENTS VISIT QUSHTAPA REFUGEE CAMP

In a field-trip to Qushtapa Refugee camp near Erbil, second-year students from the International Relations and Diplomacy department at Tishk International University met with the camp management and toured through the camp where Syrian refugees are settled. The visit took place on May 12, 2019. The second-year students accompanied by staff from the department visited the camp and observed the humanitarian circumstances of the refugees settled at the camp. The camp is run by the Barzani Charity Foundation who kindly assisted the TIU students and staff through the camp and had a constructive discussion at the camp management office. The visit was aimed to assist students with a practical understanding of the concept of humanitarian assistance studied as part of their major 'Human Rights' course. Also, the field-trip was aimed to enhance student's practical skills in their field of study. The students were able to meet face-to-face with refugees from the camp and to gain a first-hand insight into the real world of conflict-refugees settled in the region for a few years.



WORLD'S DIABETES DAY

Ishik University organized an event regarding the World's Diabetes Day on November 14, 2018, in front of the main building. Both students and departmental staff of medical analysis jointly prepared this event. Dr. Mehmet Ozdemir, Academic Vice President and Dr. Wasfi kahwachi, Admin. & Fin. Vice President participated in the program. The opening speech presented by

dean of science faculty, Dr. Karzan Mohammed. Then three seminars were presented at the conference hall of education faculty. This event involved other activities such as food and refreshments booths, games booth, handcrafts booth, posters booth, laboratory testing for diabetes. Approximately 1,000,000 IQD were collected, and all the income will be donated to charity.







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CHESS TOURNAMENT

Dean of Students of Tishk International University organized chess tournament for students on April 4th, 2019. The tournament was continued until April 8, 2019. 29 players participated in the tournament. The tournament was designed in 7 rounds and each player had 7 matches. The tournaments result was as follows: Eman Adnan got the first place, Harem Hussain was second. Congratulations to the winners of the Chess Tournament 2019.

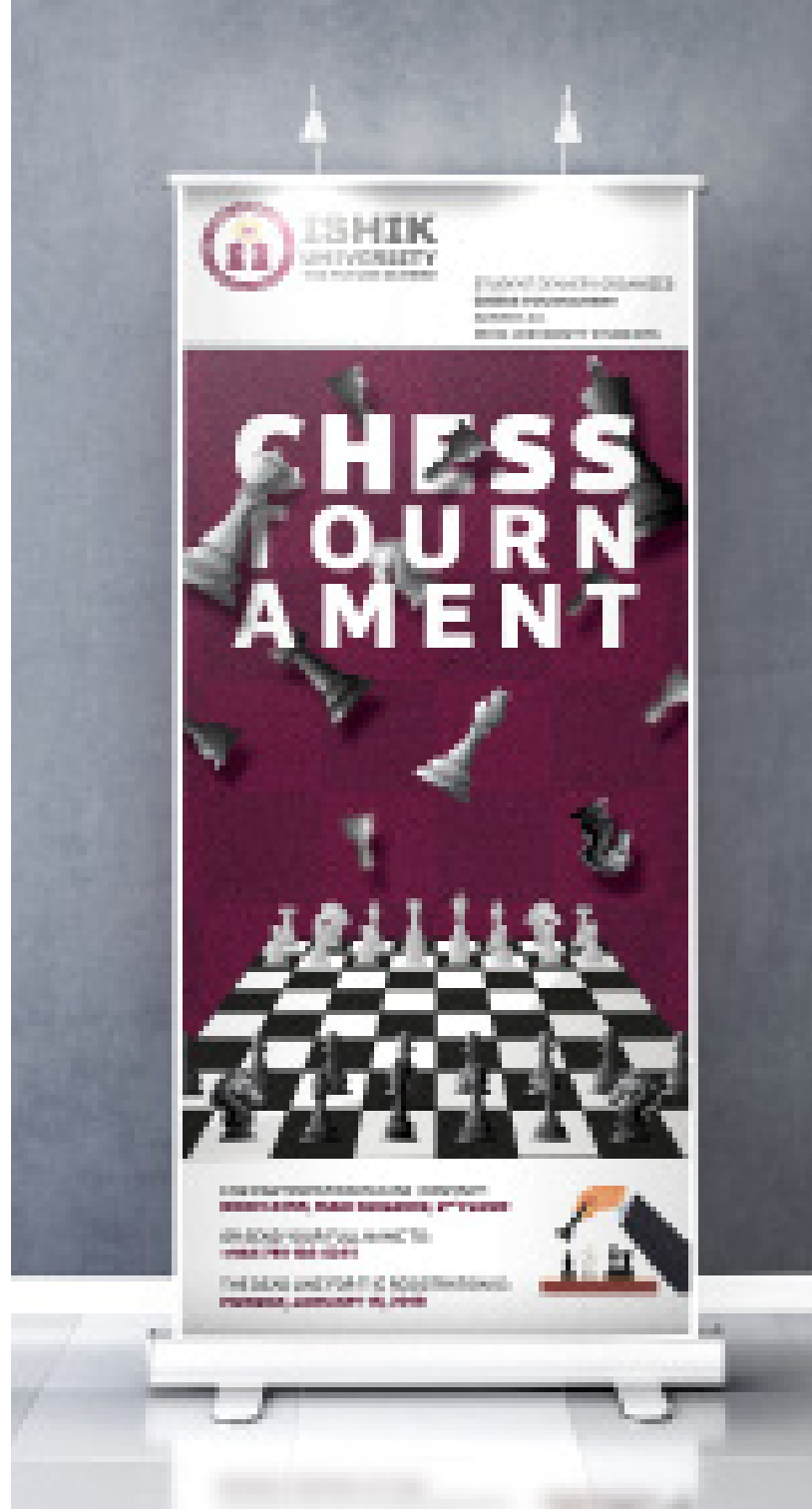


TABLE TENNIS TOURNAMENT

Table Tennis Tournament for all students organized by Student Deanery on April 15, 2019, and the final match was on May 02, 2019. The Tournament continued for more than two weeks, and 60 players participated. The tournament was knock out system; the player will leave the competition with a single loss. In the final match, Goran Rasul Khdr from Civil Engineering Department and Abdulqadir Fidaaldeen Muhammed from Civil Engineering Department. After performing a beautiful game from both sides, Goran won the title by winning the three rounds (3-2). Mr. Ali Bala, Dean of Students, awarded the winner of 1st place, 2nd and 3rd place, then he appreciated them for their performance and motivated them to participate in upcoming activities.







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CHANDER GROUP FROM SRI LANKA

In the presence of Dr. Ahmad Jalal, Honorary Consul of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka in Erbil and Mr. Abu Saleh Mohammad Imran, Second secretary Bangladesh Embassy, Baghdad, Iraq and some guests from the Sonali Bank limited in Bangladesh Chander group from Sri Lanka Visited Tishk International University and showed the Culture of Sri Lanka on April 01, 2019. Dr. Idris Hadi Salih, Head of Board of

Trustees welcomed the guests in the main office of presidency of Tishk International University. Chander group, a traditional group from Sri Lanka, nowadays they are in Kurdistan and they are showing the Culture of Sri Lanka through their dancing and singing. They have performed their talents in the front of main building to the students and staff of Tishk International University



INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY, MARCH 8TH

The international Women's Day was celebrated at Tishk International University, where Dr. Idris Hadi Head of Board of Trustees and President of TIU gave an opening speech about Women's day and history of March 8, followed by a speech presented by Ms. Soma Abdulsalam Kareem Director of Gender Equity Center at Tishk International University. March 8 is a global day celebrating the social, economic, cultural and political achievements of women, They day alsomarksacalltoactionforacceleratinggenderequality. This event was celebrated by giving a flower from Dr. Idris Hadi to all female academic and administra-

tive staff of TIU, as a symbol for supporting women on their special day. Further more Dr. Idris Hadi talked about the Gender Equity Center of Tishk International University that began on a day like this, 8th of March 2018 with a simple idea: help women and girls achieve equity. For the Center, equity with all of its complexity, cultural and global dimensions, is the transformative issue of our time. Solve this and the world will be a better place for all of us - men, women, children, young and old alike. The Gender Equity Center invites and welcomes all who would like to Stand Together.



STAFF CELEBRATED MAWLID NABAWI

you were not so I would not create the Earth” Qudsi hadith explains that how the birth of Prophet Mohammed (PBUH) is worthy by Allah. On Wednesday, November 28, 2018, Students Deanery organized a memorial event for the Mawlid, specialized only for the staff of Ishik University. The program started by reading some verses from the Holy Qur’an then Dr. Othman Halabjaji, Islamic Schol-

ar, presented a seminar about the life, attitude and ethics of the beloved Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) among people, which he sacrificed all of his life to teach us how to respect each other and live together in a peaceful way. He mentioned that scientists are the closest one to their God, referring for being a strong relation between the Sciences and verses of the Qur’an. In the last session of the program, a live performance has proceeded.



STOP VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN

25 November is the Violence Against Women all over the world. In this context, Student Deanery of Ishik University organized a brilliant event with the help of our talented volunteers. Violence against women and girls is a grave violation of human rights. Its impact ranges from immediate to multiple long-term physicals, sexual and mental consequences for women and girls, including death. It negatively affects women's general well-being and prevents women from fully participating in society. Violence has not only negative consequences for women but also their families, the community and the country at large. It has tremendous costs, from greater health care and legal expenses and losses in productivity, impacting national budgets and overall development. From the very begin-

ning of the day, an art exhibition has been enrolled in the entrance of the education building, in which many art and photography portrait has presented during the exhibition. Before starting the panel Dr. Idris Hadi, Head of Board of Trustees presented the plaque of appreciation to the panelist, then a panel discussion has been enrolled under the title of eliminating violence against women, the panelists were: Mr. Ari Rafiq, Vice Director in the Directorate of eliminating violence against women in ministry of internal affairs, Miss. Rozh Sherzad, Consultant lawyer, and Miss. Dashne Murad, Women activities & singer and also Miss. Hero Ismail was the moderator of the event. Ishik University's staffs and students are as they came from one family regardless of their religion, political, nationality, and gender.



OPENING CEREMONY OF INTERNATIONAL CLINICAL ORTHODONTIC COURSES

On November 22-23, 2018 the first module of (Professional Clinical Orthodontic) course has been started. The opening ceremony speech presented by vice president of Ishik University Dr. Wasfi Kahwachi. He mentioned the importance of these international courses and how the university supported them following that speech Dr. Dara Rashid, the representative of Ministry of health. He declared the importance of such international course in Kurdistan region. Mr. Ahmed Kani, the chief of KDP/

Erbil Branch, Dr. Bassam Karim Amin Head of KDA/ Erbil Branch and Prof. Ali Al-Zubaidee member of Kurdistan board of medical specialties, were also present. The first complete pure orthodontic courses in Kurdistan/ Erbil city have been organized which is approved by American dental association. The course includes 16 modules full clinical supported by nine local speakers and seven international speakers.





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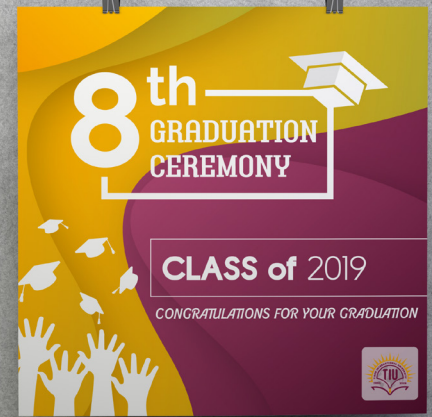
MORE ACTIVITIES

Tishk Career Center organized the 6th Career Days on May 15th, 2019. The event was held with the participation of 27 companies, NGOs, Banks and Private Schools. The event sponsored by Hawkary Group, Byblos Bank and Khoshnaw Group. The event started at 10:00 a.m. and finished at 4 p.m. Most of the senior students visited all the booths to submit their CVs to the companies to get a chance to work with them. The companies introduced their vacancy opportunities for students with their requirement that they need. At the beginning of the opening ceremony, Dr. Idris Hadi Head of Board of Trustees made the inauguration speech of the program. He focused on the importance of cooperation between companies and university. After that, Mr. Sarhang Othman cleared that what is the significance of organizing such events, and mentioned that the aim of this event was to bring companies and undergraduate students together. Then, and also he presented a seminar about the career center, what is the career center and what is their services, how can they cooperate with the companies. In the final stage of the program, a plaque ceremony was held dedicated to the sponsor companies and all

the companies and organizations that were ready. The Companies and organizations were very happy to participate in such kind of Events, They believe that this event is a great opportunity for both University and Companies to meet their Needs, because when you get a chance to have the graduate or last grade students in an academic sector, it's totally different from getting CV from Outside, they believed that when the university recommending someone for a position its totally different from finding someone fit to the positions that available in the company. They promised that they will announce their vacancies to Tishk International University Graduates and the Career Development Center to provide them, good candidates. And also Tishk Career Center promised them to cooperate in every sector that needed to develop market and students performance, And also Tishk Career Center asked them to help the students in other Issues like Helping them in their researches and Making their Internship Programs in the company or Organization to give a chance to the students to improve their selves, which make their employment easier after their graduation.



8th GRADUATION CEREMONY



Tishk International University celebrated its 8th graduation which held at 8:00 PM on Wednesday, June, 26, 2019 in the campus of Tishk International University. The ceremony started with a moment of silence for the martyrs of Kurdistan and the national anthem. Then some verses of Quran - Karim has been read by our student Muhammad Rashad. A promotion video was presented to introduce TIU's achievements to

the guests and parents. Then Dr. Id-ris Hadi Board of Trustees made an inauguration speech, welcoming the entire valuable guests, after that Dr. Khatab representative the Minister of Higher Education and Mr. Naw-zad Hadi, The Erbil Governor made fabulous speech. During the ceremony, top 3 students of each department were awarded the plaque. This year nearly 550 students graduated from 5 different faculties from

13 departments from both Erbil and Sulaymaniyah branch. A concert organized in honor of the students. In the concert, the famous singers Bax-tiar Salih entertained the students and the visitors. Lastly, we wish a happy, success, joy, and full of challenge to all of our graduate students. And we deeply thank to those who made this unforgettable day especially, organizing team, valuable guests and media agencies.



A GROUP OF STUDENTS FROM DUHOK VISITED TIU

A group of students came from Duhok city paid a visit to Tishk International University on June 20, 2019. The students were fresh students who had just finished (Wizari) Central National Examination, so they wanted to get information about their future careers and get a chance to see how a university life looks like. The group was welcomed

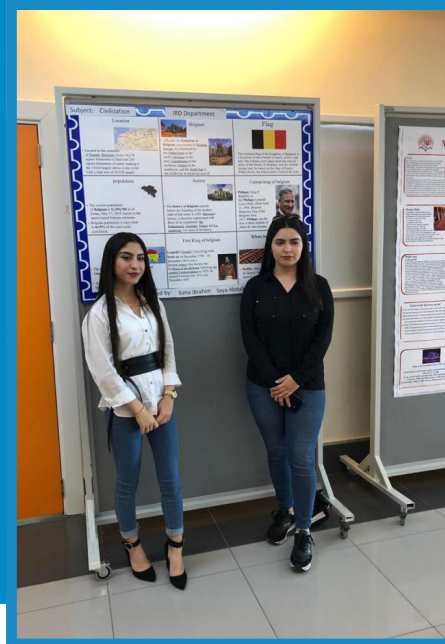
and toured around the university by Mr. Fayaq Ali, Research Assistant, and Mr. Ridhwan, Club supervisors, and they were briefly informed about each departments. They were also toured around the labs in pharmacy and other laboratories. The students were very happy to have such a chance, and appreciated the opportunity they were given by the

university. Meanwhile, they attended a small presentation regarding the discounts and offers that TIU presents to smart students. Lastly, this was an eye-opening experience for the students to catch a glimpse what would be the life of the students in a near future. We are happy to help our future generation to seek knowledge and have bright future.



A POSTER EXHIBITION BY INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS STUDENTS

A poster exhibition prepared and presented by the first-year students of International Relations and Diplomacy from the Faculty of Administrative Sciences and Economics. The exhibition was held at Tishk International University's main building. The event which was organized by the first-year students and staff of the department held the title 'Ancient Civilization of the World' and took place on May 20th, 2019 in the Faculty of Administrative Sciences and Economics. In the exhibition, 19 posters were presented each covering a historical civilization of the world. The event attended by staff and student from the faculty and other university faculties. The activity was aimed at expanding the learning and teaching facilities at the faculty and encouraged significant contribution from the student's



A SEMINAR ABOUT INSTITUTIONAL EFFECTIVENESS & ACCREDITATION

On February 4, 2019, the Secretary of the Board of Trustees at the American University of Kurdistan Dr. Honar Issa presented a seminar titled "Institutional Effectiveness & Accreditation" at Tishk International University Campus. The elements of the Educational Quality were explained and the Accreditation's Process and Standards were demonstrated. The presentation also highlighted the role of applying Self-Evaluation in the Educational Process. The seminar was attended by Dr. Idris Hadi, the Head of a Board of Trustees and the acting President of TIU, the Vice-Presidents, the Deans, and the Heads of Departments. The presentation were followed by questions-answers session and an open-discussion.



A SEMINAR ABOUT YOUTH ISSUES AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

Mr. Andy Raben, Special Advisor at the U.S. Department of State in the Office of the Under Secretary for Public Diplomacy and Public Affairs visited Ishik University with a delegation from US general consulate- Erbil on November 19, 2018. He was received by Dr. Suleyman Celik, Dean of Education Faculty. Mr. Aandy, thanked Dr. Celik for his hospitality, however the aim of the visit was present a presentation for the students of Ishik

University by Mr. Andy which was organized by Education Faculty staff. The presentation was about entrepreneurship and a workshop about how to overcome your fear while public speaking. It was a very fruitful presentation. Dr. Suleyman Celik welcomed the delegation and thanked Mr. Andy Raben and Ms. Heather Carlin Fabrikant for their visit to Ishik University.



ACCREDITATION CERTIFICATE AWARDING CEREMONY

In January 10, 2019, Tishk International University celebrated the Accreditation Certificate Awarding for Law Department. The certificate was issued as a result of the evaluation conducted by the Experts Panel of the Quality Assurance and Accreditation Center of AArU (The Association of Arab Universities) on the Law Bachelor Degree Program of Tishk International University. The celebration ceremony started with a speech performed by the Chairman of the Board of Trustee and acting President of the University Dr. Idris Hadi

Salih. Then a short video about the Department's achievement and Activities was displayed. Later on, a brief presentation about the "Benefits of Accreditation" was provided by the Coordinator of Accreditation & ISO Ms. Rasha Alkabbanie. Then the Dean of Law Department Dr. Adnan Abdullah talked about the Procedure and the Steps of the Academic Accreditation done at his department. These were followed by awarding appreciation certificates to the Accreditation Committee Members and the Self-Report Preparation Team.



ACCREDITATION SITE-VISIT FOR THE EDUCATION FACULTY PROGRAMS

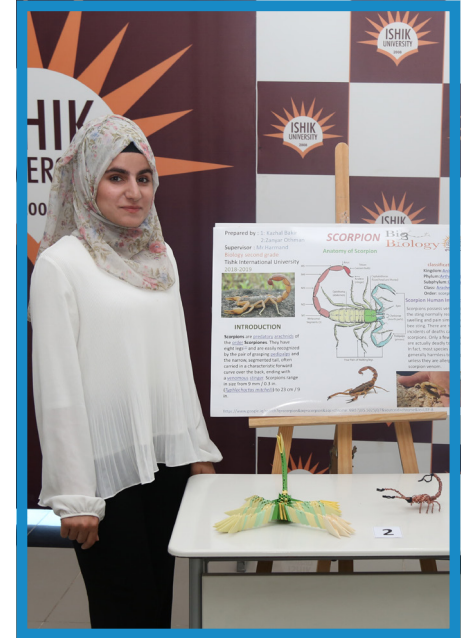


On May 8th, 9th and 10th 2019, an Expert Panel comprised of two representatives from ASIC Accreditation Agency; (Dr. Lawrence Watson, the ASIC Chief Inspector and Ms. Florence Waniwa, the Customer Relations Manage) conducted a site-visit at Tishk International University for evaluating the educational system and facilities for the International Program Accreditation of our Education Faculty Bachelor Programs (English Language Education, Math Education, Physics Education, and Biology Education).

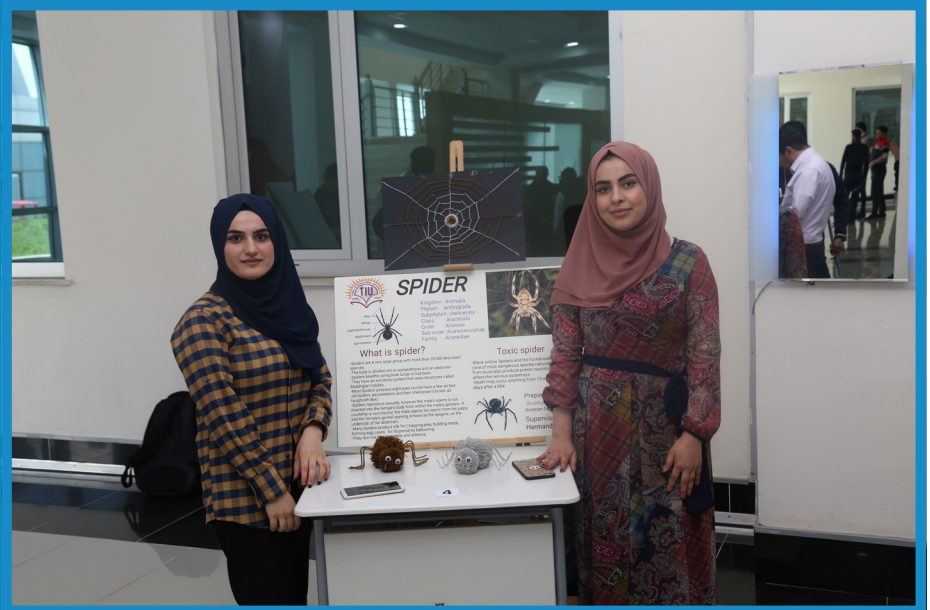
ASIC is an internationally renowned quality standard for schools, colleges, universities and online learning providers, and is recognized by the UK Home Office. ASIC is a member of the CHEA International Quality Group in the USA and is an Affiliate Member of ENQA, European Association for Quality Assurance in Higher Education. The panel evaluated the two study programs by reviewing the University documentations and the Programs' records, holding four rounds of talks with the Univer-

sity Council, the Representative Group of Students, Representative Group of Staff, the Dean of the Education Faculty, and the Head of Departments. Additionally, and by conducting four campus tours for checking the educational facilities, the health & safety and the IT provisions at the University. The final accreditation decision will be made by the experts and the agency. It is expected to be announced in the coming few weeks.

AN EXHIBITION FOR THE MODELS AND POSTERS



On April 28, 2019 Biology Education Department has held an exhibition for the models and posters which have been prepared by biology 2nd-grade students. The prepared models along with their posters were the outcome of students' learning in entomology course. This exhibition was a very good aid to help students for learning more and having fun with this course and biological topics. Moreover, it was an important factor to motivate the students toward science, contributes their social developments, and increases their skills of the presentation.



APPRECIATION LETTER TO TIU

On February 14, 2019, Tishk International University received an appreciation letter from International Organization of Migration for contribution and supporting the ride on bike marathon. The delegation of IOM was Mr. Nicolas, HILL Programme Coordinator and Mr. Avand Hassan, Public Information Officer, they were welcomed by Dr. Wasfi Kahwachi, Admin. & Vicer Vice President, Mr. Sarhang Othman and Mr. Ahmad Nadhmi. During the meeting Mr. Nicolas thanked Tishk International University for their support and contribution in the event and also he mentioned about the importance

of these kind of events for diversity and showing a beautiful image of Erbil city. In other Side Dr. Wasfi Kahwachi warmly welcomed them and promised to collaborate more future cooperation between the two side for upcoming events and also they planned to sign a Memorandum of Understanding between the two sides to work more together in the future. At the end Dr. Wasfi received a letter of Appreciation from Mr. Nicolas. On November 30, 2018, Erbil was totally different, more than 250 bike riders crossed the finish line this afternoon at the Ride on! #Erbil International Bike Marathon to support UNITY in DI-

VERSITY. Participants included a member of Parliament, Dashni Morad, professional cyclists, local community members, displaced Iraqis, Syrian refugees, members of minority groups, UN Compound staff and university students. Tishk International University glad for being a part of this amazing project by supporting the project, and motivating the students to participate and also being a part of the organizing committee. 35 volunteers of the organizing team was from Tishk International University, supported the riders and helped the organizers to make the event success



AWARD CEREMONY OF ISO 9001:2015 CERTIFICATE



On 3rd of March 2019, an Award Ceremony of ISO 9001:2015 Certificate was held at Tishk International University (TIU) with the presence of the University's Vice Presidents and ISO-related staff. TIU has been certified to ISO 9001:2015 by Bureau Veritas Certification Holding SAS-UK Branch. The Certificate was accredited by the United Kingdom Accreditation Services Body (UKAS). By this certificate it has been attested that the Management System of TIU has been audited and found to be per the requirements of the ISO 9001:2015 International Management System Standard. The Ceremony started with a Thank Speech to all the staff who contributed to this achievement, later it was followed by awarding Appreciation Certificates to the ISO Representatives of all the Academic and Nonacademic Departments, then it was ended with cutting the Ceremony's cake.



BYBLOS BANK INTRODUCTORY VISIT TO TISHK INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY

on 23.05.2019, Mr. Cesar Chaaya head of Retail banking & Ms. Lara Azamat Branch manager of "Byblos Bank" have visited Tishk International University Campus to introduce their Business & offering their services. They were warmly welcomed and hosted by Dr. Idris Hadi

Salih, Chairman of the board of trustees of Tishk International University (TIU). Dr. Idris Hadi made a presentation about Tishk International University & significant university achievements from inception to date.



4th CLEAN & LOVE KURDISTAN

Faculty of Administrative Science and Economics of Tishk International University proudly organize the Fourth “Clean & Love Kurdistan” Project on April 28, 2018, with the cooperation of Ministry of Municipality and Tourism Presidency of Erbil, with the sponsorship of Kar Company to create public awareness for protecting the environment of Kurdistan. There was much interest in the “zone cleaning”. Event was with the presence of Vice Presidents of Tishk International University Asst. Prof. Dr. Wasfi Kahwachi, Dean of Faculty of Administrative Sciences and Economics Dr. Fatih Cura, Director of Service & Environment Municipality Mr. Farman Khalil, Mr. Ali Bala, Dean of Students and other respected Municipality members, and around 90 students participated in this awareness for sustainability development of Kurdistan. They wore the Project T-Shirts which were specifically designed for this Project. Therefore, participants collected trash in picnic area wearing T-shirts. The activity started at the picnic area

which was located to the opposite of Dlopa, Opposite of Monument, Kasnazan, Koya Road, Erbil.

Clean & Love Kurdistan for this **Project Messages Were as Follows:**

1/ DO NOT LITTER

It is not someone else’s responsibility to pick our litter It is our responsibility Please! Put your Litter in the bin

2/ RECYCLE

You Will Help Reduce Pollution

3/ USE LESS TISSUES

Or Use Half- Do You Really Need One Whole Piece?

4/ USE BOTH SIDES OF PAPER

Set Your Printers Default Option to Print Double-Sided

5/ TAKE THE STAIRS

Healthier For You and Kinder to the Planet

Why Use The Lift IF It Is Only A few Flights?

6/ BE CREATIVE AND ERUSE

Things like bags, bows and paper Can be Turned into a present or something useful.

7/ SWITCH OFF THE LIGHTS

Not just for earth hour but whenever

er you do not need it.

Clean and Love Kurdistan’s Sub-project:

- 1. Seminar by, Mr. Farman Khalil**
- 2. Awareness by distributing Clean and Love Kurdistan’s messages**
- 3. National Workshop on Natural Sustainability**
- 4. Awareness and spreading the messages between Erbil and Masif Highway.**
- 5. Distributing the appreciation certificate to the participants**

Faculty of Administrative Science and Economics of Tishk International University looks forward to having more partner to build and educate on a standard basis for a better and friendly environment, cleaner picnic areas and fresher air for all respected citizen of Kurdistan. That is why we call this project Clean and Love Kurdistan, because to prove it all citizens of Kurdistan should pay attention to the serious issue of nature and to keep it clean, LOVE should be in everybody’s heart!



On October 23, 2018, Ishik University was totally different from the normal days of the university, since all the talented students were gathered together. Student Deanery organized Clubs Introduction Day. The event aimed to introduce the clubs and the instructor of each clubs to the students and as well as to the staff. During the event, each club found the opportunity to introduce themselves and explain their plans and activities by the club instructor and volunteers of the clubs for those that are interested in. In the event, many live performance has been presented to the attendees such as; Daf performance, Live music, and singing song by our talented students. We as Student Deanery, ensuring that students should improve social skills besides scientific skill. We hope that our students can find their hidden talents in the clubs and as well improving their social skills.

The 2018 - 2019 clubs are:

- 1- Guitar Club
- 2- Violin Club
- 3- Chess Club
- 4- Piano Club
- 5- PlayStation Club
- 6- Saz Club
- 7- Art Craft Club
- 8- Reading Club
- 9- Photography Club
- 10- Persian Language Club
- 11- Football Club
- 12- Turkish Language Club
- 13- Table Tennis Club
- 14- English Language Club
- 15- Arabic Language Club
- 16- Future Builders



CERTIFICATE APPRECIATION CEREMONY

Deanery of Students arranged the Certificate Appreciation ceremony for those volunteers who took place in “Violence against women”, “Food fundraising event” and “Mawlut Nabi” on January 09, 2019. In recognition for their outstanding contributions to the events.

The event ended with a group photo. A special thank and appreciate to all the hardworking volunteers who helped and made our events a huge success. It has been such a wonderful experience. Our aim is to help the society and open minding our students to the world.



COLOR SECRETS PAINTING EXHIBITION

Tishk University held an exhibition for the students of drawing club on February 11, 2019. The Exhibition included several artistic drawings by the talented students. Further, in the exhibition more than 30 paintings were presented in the entrance of the main building from 11:00 to 15:00 PM. The students were very joyous to see the fruit of their hard work and efforts. Meanwhile, the presidency of Tishk university attended the event. They showed their amazement and appreciation

for the amazing works of the novice painters. Dr. Idris Hadi Head of Board of Trustees and the academic staff were toured around the gallery to see the beautiful painting, and now and then ask the deep meaning behind the drawings. More interestingly, during the tour Dr. Idris mentioned his interest in fine arts, and his story about his high school life when he had about 50 paintings. He further stated that he wanted to go to the college of fine arts, but could not go because of

some personal reasons. The exhibition was supervised by the Dean of students with some volunteer who shared the joy of organizing such an exuberant event. The entrance of the main building was decorated with a mellifluous music in the background, the exhibition exuded an ambiance of serenity. We thank our active and talented students to for their contribution and participation in this kind of events. We are also looking forward to organizing more of these activities.



COMMEMORATING THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE END OF THE WWI

Ishik University joined the global community in commemorating the 100th anniversary of the end of the World War One (WWI) which was ended on November 11, 1918. In a joint student and staff activity which was organized by both Department of International Relations and the Law Faculty that marked 100 years since the end of the WWI. The event included poster and image exhibition covering major areas of the war as well as two seminar presentation from staff at the Law Faculty in which they addresses the historical and legal implications of the war 100 years back. The activities started from 10:00 AM and lasted to

03:00 PM, which was held at the entrance to Ishik University's Main Building on November 11, 1918. The exhibition and the seminars were attended by large numbers of students, visitors, and staff of Ishik University. The main purpose behind the event was to present the scale of the disaster which resulted from the War, in addition to the fundamental effect that it had on the Middle Eastern region and the Kurds in particular. This was also a good experience and opportunity for the students to interact with each other as well as research into the aftermath, and the consequences of war.



DANCING FLOWERS OF THE SPRING

On April 04, 2019, Tishk International University opened an exhibition for celebrating and welcoming the auspicious arrival of spring, the season of various kinds of flowers. The exhibition reflected this very facet of spring by providing various kinds of spring flowers such as tulips, daffodils, and many other types of flowers. The red ribbon for the opening was cut by Head of the board of trustees Dr. Idris Hadi with the two respectable Vice Presidents Dr. Wasfi and Dr. Ozdemir. They appreciated the effort and the hard work that has been

put by the students and the teacher of the Art club. The exhibition was held at the main entrance of the main building from 10:00 Am to 4:00 PM. Meanwhile, the works of art that were done by the talented students of the art club were deserved all of the praise and applaud from the teachers and students alike. The nuances and delicate designs depicted the mastery of the painting brushes by the students. We hope these kinds of activities continue to flourish so that we can show the fun and colorful part of university life.



FLAG EXCHANGE CEREMONY

On the date of 10th of January, 2019, Tishk International University organized an event to change the flag, by bringing down the Ishik University Flag and Raising The Tishk International University flag. The event started at 10:00 am, during the event Dr. Idrtis Hadi Head of Board of Trustees and the president of Tishk International University, mentioned about the process and congratulated the students for

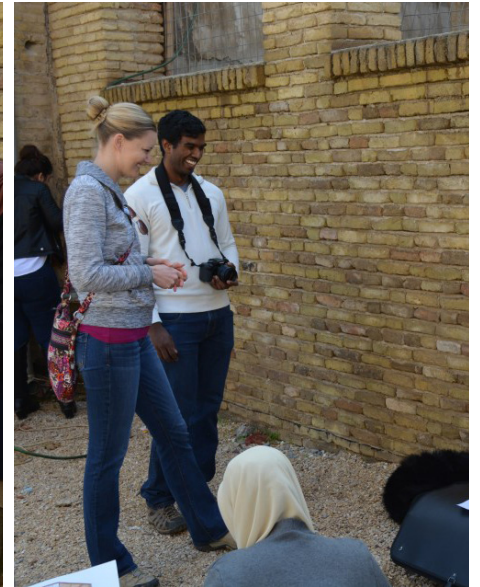
the event, he talked about the reasons for being international, that the university applies all the conditions to be an International University. Thus they decided to change the name and make it internationally. After the consecutive successes of Ishik University from the moment of its foundation in 2008 up to the present, it has continued as one of the best private universities of Iraq and Kurdistan in particular. There-

fore, after ten years of the university's establishment, we would like to announce and decide on the internationalization of Ishik University in 2018 by officially changing its name to (Tishk International University) based on an official decree from the Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research no. 18845 dated on December 18, 2018, and this is also one of the biggest successes the university has achieved so far.



FREEHAND LECTURE AT CITADEL

Ascientific trip for the students of second stage / Department of Architecture was held within the requirements of perspective and freehand drawing lecture to Erbil citadel on Monday, December 03, 2018. The students drew scenes for heritage houses in Erbil citadel under the supervision of two lecturers, Mr. Qutaiba Abdullah, and Mr. Sirwan Refaat The goal of the drawing lecture was to reviving the local heritage of Erbil citadel by drawing old houses and monuments.



HEAD OF ROMANIAN CONSULAR OFFICE VISITED TISHK

Andrei Stanescu Head of Romanian Consular Office in Erbil visited Tishk International University and welcomed by Dr. Idris Hadi Head of Board of Trustees and President of Tishk International University on February, 26th, 2019. During this short meeting, Dr. Idris Hadi presented Tishk's general information. He introduced faculties and facilities of the university as well as mentioned about Tishk's future plans. Hence, one of the agenda of the meeting was future potential relations between Tishk University and universities in Romania in the context of scientific and cultural events such as conference, seminar, and workshop; particularly exchange program for students and staff as well. This prospective cooperation also includes higher degree such as joint master programs. In this context, Mr. Andrei stated that Romanian universities are already open to collaborate in future.



HIKING TRIP!!

Some of ISHIK University staffs and students hiked to the Safin Mountain on Saturday, November 03, 2018. Student Deanery organized a fabulous Hiking event to those who interest and love the nature of Kurdistan. Hiking, walking in nature as a recreational activity. Especially among those with sedentary occupations, hiking is a natural exercise that promotes physical fitness, is economical and convenient, and requires no special equipment. Because hikers can walk as far as they want, there is no physical strain unless they walk among hills or mountains. The starting point of the journey was at ISHIK University, then all of the participant prepared themselves to the mounting the mountains of the Safin. The hiking starts at 10:00 am, the participant enjoyed the time by singing the songs, telling jokes, and new experiences. Then at the top of the mountain all together ate the snacks and took rests for a while, after that they dismount the mountain. The total length of the walk undertaken is (12km to 13km), the end point of the hiking was at 06:30 pm at ISHIK University. We, as Student Deanery, are waiting for your new ideas, we hope you all enjoyed the day.



INTERNATIONAL ACCREDITATION FOR COMPUTER ENGINEERING AND IT BACHELOR PROGRAMS

It gives us pride to announce that our B.Sc.-programs “Computer Engineering and Information Technology” were awarded with the International Accreditation Certificates by ZEVA “the Central Evaluation and Accreditation Agency” without any conditions and for a period of five years. The International Accreditation brings a wide variety of benefits to both academic staff and to institutions by; raising the profile of learning and teaching of the university and demonstrating to students a measurable commitment to the

quality of teaching. “Accredited status” means that students and the public can expect that the program lives up to its promises. It means that a student can have confidence that a degree or credential has value. Accreditation signals that the public can have confidence in the worth of an institution or program. The methods and criteria of evaluation applied by ZEVA are rooted in the common European Standards and Guidelines for Quality Assurance in Higher Education.



INTERNATIONAL ACCREDITATION FOR EDUCATION BACHELOR PROGRAMS

It gives us pride to announce that our B.Sc.-programs “English Language Teaching, Mathematics Education, Physics Education, and Biology Education” were awarded with the International Accreditation Certificates by ASIC “Accreditation Service for International SCHOOLS, Colleges & Universities” without any conditions and for a period of five years. The International Accreditation brings a wide variety of benefits to both academic staff and to institutions by; raising the profile of learning and teaching of the university and demonstrating to students a measurable commitment to the quality of teaching.

ASIC is an internationally renowned quality standard for schools, colleges, universities and online learning providers, and is recognized by the UK Home Office. ASIC is a member of the CHEA International Quality Group in the USA and is an Affiliate Member of ENQA, European Association for Quality Assurance in Higher Education. The University’s Presidency extends the congratulations to all Tishk family members especially the Education Faculty Team who worked hard and put through great efforts to reach this result.



INTERNATIONAL ACCREDITATION SITE VISIT OF COMPUTER ENGINEERING AND IT

On October 16th and 17th 2018, an Expert Panel comprised of two Academic Representatives, one Representative of Profession, one Students Representative and Project Manager conducted a site-visit to Ishik University Campus as a part of the International Accreditation Procedure of both B.Sc.-programs in Computer Engineering and Information Technology. The panel was formed by the “Central Evaluation and Accreditation Agency” (ZEVA) which is a founding member of The European Association for Quality Assurance in Higher Education (ENQA) and The European Consortium for Accreditation (ECA). The methods

and criteria of evaluation applied by ZEVA are rooted in the common European Standards and Guidelines for Quality Assurance in Higher Education. International Accreditation brings a wide variety of benefits to both academic staff and to institutions by; raising the profile of learning and teaching of the university and demonstrating to students a measurable commitment to the quality of teaching. “Accredited status” means that students and the public can expect that a school or program lives up to its promises. It means that a student can have confidence that a degree or credential has value. Accreditation signals that the

public can have confidence in the worth of an institution or program. The panel evaluated the two study programs by reviewing thoroughly the Self-Report submitted by Ishik University and also by holding three rounds of talks with the Top Management (represented by the Head of the Board of Trustee and President of Ishik University Dr. Idris Hadi Salih and the University Council Members), the Heads of the Programs, the Academic Staff of the Programs, Graduates and Students of the Programs. The final accreditation decision will be made by the experts and the agency. It is expected to be announced in the coming few months.



INTERNATIONAL COLLABORATION WITH JAGIELLONIAN UNIVERSITY

On January 08, 2018, The vice president of Jagiellonian University in Poland “Professor Adam Jelinek” and’ Dr.karolina Rak “ who is also part of the middle east and north at the Institute of the middle and far east, have visited Tishk University Campus – with the aim to make a collaboration with Tishk University & shortly Signing a memorandum of understanding with each other. They were warmly wel-

comed and hosted by the Chairman of the board of trustee and acting president of Tishk International University Dr. Idris Hadi Salih. Firstly, The President of Tishk University Dr. Idris Hadi Salih presented a brief introduction about Tishk University then “Professor Adam Jelinek” has presented briefly about Jagiellonian University, showed their desire to set both academic staff and student exchange program.



IRO OFFICE AT TISHK INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY ORGANIZED A SEMINAR

IRO office in Tishk International University organized a seminar entitled “partnerships for SDG6 towards achieving improved and sustainable WASH services”, in collaboration of the German organizations arche nova on May 29, 2019. This seminar was supported by the ministry of higher education and German humanitarian assistance. Ms. Barbara, General Consul of Germany, and guests from various organizations attended the seminar and they were very interested in the arche nova projects regarding the refugees. Dr. Idris Hadi Salih, Head of Board of Trustees, presented his speech and introduced Tishk International University (TIU) to the audience, then the General German Council presented her speech as well and the liaison

Manager of arche nova Ms. Saher Omran was giving an information about the topic and she give an introduction about arche nova projects and their Achievements. The presentations were presented by arche nova team Mr. Rebuar, Mr. Azad and Mr. Mahmood. There was an Q&A session, the audience were very motivated and interested to participate in great projects in the future for refugees with the arche nova. At the end Dr. Idris Hadi Salih presented an appreciation letter to the arche nova team and he thanked them for their successful work. He also mentioned that TIU is ready to collaborate with arche nova to start a useful project to change the life of the refugees.



INTERNSHIP PROGRAMME FOR QUALITY ASSURANCE OFFICIALS AT THE MALAYSIAN QUALIFICATIONS AGENCY (MQA)

The Director of Quality Assurance (QA) at Ishik University, Dr. Samira T. Saeed, participated in a five-day internship programme for Quality Assurance officials at the Malaysian Qualifications Agency (MQA), Putrajaya, Malaysia. The programme was held during October 1st -5th, 2018 and topics included overview of the Higher Education and QA systems in Malaysia and the role of MQA in these systems. More focus was directed to the types, processes and procedures of accreditation and the QA support services provided at the Malaysian universities. Also, site visits to a number of public and private universities in Malaysia, such as University of Malaya, Monash University and Islam Science University of Malaysia, were part of the programme to learn

closely about their internal quality assurance systems. Such programmes provide good opportunities to learn about the QA framework and procedures in the Higher Education system of Malaysia and other participants' countries present at the programme, such as Afghanistan, Japan and Vanuatu. Besides, it helps create international links with the Malaysian and other countries universities. In addition, with a presentation made by the QA Director at Ishik University, the host country and the other participants had a chance to learn about the Higher Education and QA systems in Iraq and Kurdistan Region with Ishik University presented as an example of a prominent leading private university.



IRANIAN CONSULATE VISITED TISHK INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY

The Iranian counselor, Mr. Murtadha Abadi, visited Tishk University on Thursday January 17, 2019. He was warmly welcomed by his esteemed host, Chairman of the board of trustee (and acting president of Tishk International University) Dr. Idris Hadi. The director of our International Relation office; Prof. Dr. Ahmet Oztas also attended the event in a supporting role. Dr. Idris Hadi spoke about Tishk International University and presented a list of significant university achievements from inception to date. During their meeting they discussed the MoU agreement

that Tishk had signed with 8 Iranian universities to collaborate for future mutual benefit. This will help the students to participate in programs set out in the MoU agreement. In the future all parties will share knowledge, experience and culture through participation in conferences and events cohosted by Tishk University and The aforementioned Iranian University group. Mr. Murtadha was enthralled by Tishk International University events held during the last academic year(s) including the gratitude to martyrs' and graduation ceremonies. He also stressed

that he would welcome an opportunity to personally participate in next year's events (2018-2019). Mr. Murtadha mentioned that they were ready to initiate exchange knowledge and information exchange programs while creating new opportunities for further academic, cultural, and scientific programs. At the end, Dr. Idris Hadi presented an appreciation award plaque. Mr. Murtadha returned the generosity of Dr. Hadi by giving a small gift while thanking him at great length for his true hospitality.



IRO SEMINAR

International Relation office (IRO) of Ishik University organized a seminar for Ishik university staff and students entitling the “opportunities in students and staff exchange program” on October 23, 2018. The seminar was opened by Prof. Dr. Ahmet Öztaş, Director of IRO by presenting a presentation about the IRO activities (Student Exchange Program, Staff Exchange Program, Summer training) during the academic year (2017-2018). The IRO office invited the exchanged students to join the seminar and share their experiences. Both Ahmed Dilshad and Mohammed Naief, Top Ten students from Civil engineering department, they were participated in a summer training program for two weeks in Freiberg University, Germany. Another guest that shared his experience was Dr. Uma Shankar, Academic Staff in Faculty of Administration Science and Economics. He went to University of Szczecin in Poland. At the end of the seminar IRO office prepared a SKYPE session and an exchange student from Malaysia, UTM University, Bland Azad participated in the event, and he gave some information about his University and international students studying in Malaysia. International relations office plans to provide more opportunities, exchange program and training for students and staff to improve their academic backgrounds.



TISHK INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY DELEGATION IN POTSDAM UNIVERSITY, GERMANY

Tishk International University is working on a project entitled 'Religious and Cultural Diversity in Kurdistan' funded by DAAD, within this context, a group of academicians from Ishik University, Salahaddin University, and Catholic University participated in a fifteen-day exchange program in Potsdam University, Germany. They also attended two-day training courses on Quality Management at the Centre for Quality Development under the supervision of Michaela Fuhrman, Director of Quality Management

Centre, and Coaching for Post-graduates in Graduation School with the supervision of Dr. Heike Kuchmeister, Director of Potsdam Graduate School. In addition to the seminars and workshops about religious and cultural diversity, Prof. Dr. Ahmet Öztaş, Director of IRO, had a meeting with the director of IRO of Potsdam University for the further collaboration of staff and student exchange programs. Vice President for International Affairs, Alumni and Fundraising of Potsdam University hosted the del-

egation in his office, and they negotiated about the possible exchange facilities. Furthermore, a panel open to public entitled 'Religious and Cultural Diversity in Kurdistan' was held on September 24, 2018, and Mrs. Emine Bala, Director of Social Affairs and Guidance at Ishik University, gave a presentation with two other staff from Salahaddin and Catholic Universities. Ultimately, sightseeing to the ancient sites and museums were also significant gains of this fruitful program.



JAGIELLONIAN UNIVERSITY VISIT

International Relation Office organized a seminar under the title The idea of Polish “Orientalness” – a researcher’s story of Islam in Poland on January 8th, 2019 The seminar was presented by Dr. Karolina Rak who is also part of the Middle East and North Africa Department at the Institute of the Middle and the Far East. Dr. Karolina Rak with prof. Adam Jelonek has been welcomed by President, Vice Presidents, and Director of International Relations Office. Before the program, a short, small meeting has been taken place in the President office During this short meeting, brief information has been given Dr. Idris Hadi about Ishik University, its collaboration with Poland universities and its achievements. The program has started with the welcome speech of Dr. Hawraman Ail (lecturer in IRD department). Then, Dr. Karolina Rak has given a presentation about “Orientalness” – a researcher’s story of Islam in Poland, it was a very fruitful presentation. The end of the program, Dr. Karolina Rak has given answers to the students and academicians’ questions.



ISHIK DELEGATION WAS IN USA

Dr. Idris Hadi Salih, Head of the board of Bard of Trustees and a delegation from Ishik university are currently in the united states of America. The presidency team is planning to visit several academic institution and universities in the USA to widen the international relations of Ishik University. The Ishik delegation has visited the Virginia International University (VIU) in Washington on November 07, 2018. Dr. Idris and his team were welcomed by Dr. Isa Sarac, President of VIU. As the first part of the meeting, Dr. Idris gave a presentation about the achievements, accreditations in the past ten years of Ishik. After that in a responsive meeting, both sides were set plans to develop the academic relations. As a first step both agreed and signed a memorandum of understanding

between Ishik and VIU. Secondly, the department of VIU affairs, under the direct supervision of VIU's Executive Vice President, Dr. Suleyman Bahceci, responsible for academic collaborations and partnerships and director of IRO, Prof. Dr. Ahmet Öztaş showed their desire to set both academic staff and student exchange program. This program will provide the educational opportunities in different part preparing the students to thrive the marketplace. One of the main points in MoU was planning to open a new Joint master program with VIU in the field of computer engineering and Information Technology. So the graduate student will have certified by a mutually signed certificate. In the end, Dr. Idris presented the plaque of appreciation to the president of VIU.



JUSTICE SYMBOL

Faculty of Law at Tishk International University gained the accreditation certificate from the Association of Arab Universities for the program of Law faculty as a first faculty between all law faculties in Kurdistan and Iraq. On February 11, 2019, by the presence of the president of TIU, Dr. Idris Hadi Salih and dean of law faculty, Dr. Adnan Abdullah Rashid. The justice symbol statue at law faculty was opened in a ceremony by the participation

of the academic staff of law faculties and students. Law department continues with the social and scientific activities during the academic year of 2018 - 2019. Our faculty participated in several activities theoretical and practically for students and lectures. We will continue to improve more to our staff and our students under the regulations of the mainstay of higher education.



LG ELECTRONICS VISITS TISHK INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY

Mr. Kevin Cha, the previous CEO of LG Electronics of the Middle East & Africa Region, Mr. James Lee CEO of LG Electronics and Mr. Ghafoor Khoshnaw owner of Khoshnaw Group Company, visited Ishik University On December 17, 2018, and welcomed by Head of Board of Trustees, Dr. Idris Hadi. The LG team were interested in the procedures followed in the University, and the progress that the university has achieved in the global ranking the last year. The continues education center and the career center attached the LG team and more for this both parts agreed on sending our selected university staff, and students for on-site training in LG in Korea on LG expenses.



MEETING WITH PALACKÝ UNIVERSITY

According to the signed MoU with Palacký University in the Czech Republic on June last year, Prof. Dr. Ahmet Oztas (Director of International University) visited Palacký University on 30 April 2019, He welcomed by The International Relation Officer Petra Nakladalova and The Statutory Representative of the dean Vice-Dean for study, Social and Pedagogical Matters Zdenka Miksova. They held a meeting, the main agenda was to

discuss the next future collaboration due to the signed MoU in different areas and they promised to continue this collaboration and planning to initiate an exchange program between both parties and open new horizon to exchange knowledge and information between the two universities and to promoting mutual understanding and academic, cultural, scientific exchange.



KERMANSHAH UNIVERSITY PAID VISIT TO TISHK INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY

Dr. Ali Akaber, President of Kermanshah University accompanied by Dr. Ali Naderi Director of International Relation Affairs, Dr. Farzad Amiri, Director of Industrial Engineering and the Vice Chancellor of students and cultural affairs have visited Tishk International University on February 13,

2019. They were warmly welcomed and hosted by Dr. Idris Hadi Salih, Chairman of the board of trustees of Tishk International University (TIU). Dr. Idris presented a brief introduction about TIU and then Dr. Farzad Amiri has presented briefly about Kermanshah University. Both parties showed the willing-

ness to make new scientific collaboration with each other and sign a memorandum of understanding in the nearest time. Academic staff and student exchange program was one of the other agendas of the meeting. At the end, Dr. Idris Hadi presented an appreciation award plaque to Dr. Ali Akaber.



MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING SIGNED WITH GARMIAN UNIVERSITY

ISHIK University has signed a comprehensive MoU with the Garmian University On December 12, 2018, the rector of Garmian University Dr. Sirwan Hassan accompanied by Vice President of Scientific Affairs, Director of International Academic Relations Dr. Ahmed Omer along with Deans of Science, Art and Basic Education of Garmian University, have visited ISHIK University Campus. They were warm-

ly welcomed and hosted by the Chairman of the board of trustee and acting president of ISHIK University Dr. Idris Hadi Salih. Firstly, The President of ISHIK University Dr. Idris Hadi Salih presented a brief introduction about ISHIK university. Then after, the delegation had a tour in ISHIK University. They had a close insight into the facilities and infrastructure of the University, Specifically the Den-

tistry Faculty. The delegation was astonished by the tremendous efforts of ISHIK in leading education and science in the private sector. Both presidents directed their relation offices to initiate exchange programs of knowledge and information as well as the creation of opportunities for further mutual approaches in order to promote academic, cultural, and scientific correlations.



MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING SIGNED WITH IRANIAN UNIVERSITIES

A delegation from the Iranian Universities accompanied by the representative of Iranian Ministry of Science, Research and Technology along with Iranian Consulate representative has visited ISHIK University. On Wednesday and Thursday, December 19 and 20, ISHIK University hosted a discussion panel and presentations for a delegation from Iranian Universities who were visiting Erbil in coordination with the Ministry of Higher

Education in Kurdistan Region to exhibit the capacities and competence of Iranian Universities in Erbil. The delegation included Dr. Abdolhamid Alizadeh a representative from the Iranian Ministry of Science, Research and Technology. The President of ISHIK University Dr. Idris Hadi has warmly welcomed the delegation and gave a brief presentation on ISHIK University and its achievements throughout the 10 years of establishment. The del-

egation personals then presented their capacity of universities in Iran and showed their comprehensive interest in collaboration with ISHIK University. They were so impressed and delighted by the progress of ISHIK University in both undergraduate and postgraduate sectors. Ishik University has signed Memorandum of Understanding with eleven Iranian Universities in different aspects of science, medicine, technology, and others.



MOU RENEWED WITH ERBIL POLYTECHNIC UNIVERSITY

President of Tishk international University; Dr. Idris Hadi visited the Polytechnic University on Monday January 22, 2019. He was warmly welcomed by the president of the Polytechnic University Dr. Kawa Abdulkarim Sherwany. The main aim of the meeting was to continue and renew the ongoing 'memorandum of understanding' that defines the joint master's program at the two universities. During their meeting they discussed the MoU agreement that was signed in 2017-2018 and they agreed to both continue and renew this joint academic program

for the 2018-2019 season. They also took the opportunity to sign the MoU agreement together in the presence of the administrative vice president of both universities. At this moment in time there are joint master program students groups shared between the Erbil polytechnic university and Tishk International University in Civil Engineering and Information technology Departments. Students enrolled in these courses are moving forward towards completing their studies.



MOU WITH KOYA UNIVERSITY

The president of Koya University, Dr. Wali Mahmood Hamad accompanied by Vice President of Scientific Affairs, Head of International Relations Office, Dr. Hawkar Bapeer along, with Dean of Engineering, Asst. Prof. Dr. Mohammed Hasseb and Dean of Science, Dr. Taha Jalal, have visited Tishk International University Campus on February 5, 2019. They were warmly welcomed and hosted by the chairman of the board of trustee and acting president of TIU, Dr. Idris Hadi Salih. Tishk International University (TIU), (previously known as Ishik) has signed a comprehensive Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Koya University on February 5, 2019. Firstly, Dr. Idris Hadi Salih presented a brief introduction about Tishk In-

ternational University. Then after, the delegation had a tour inside the campus. They had a close insight into the facilities and infrastructure of the University, Specifically the Dentistry Faculty. The delegation was astonished by the tremendous efforts of (TIU) in leading education and science in private sector. Both presidents directed their relation offices to initiate exchange programs of knowledge and information as well as the creation of opportunities for further mutual approaches to promote academic, cultural, and scientific correlations. Joint master program is also discussed in the meeting and both parts will open new joint program for the new year 2018-2019. TIU were so delighted to host the presidency delegation of Koya University.



MOU WITH MUSOCO ORGANIZATION

Dr. Karem Majed, representative of MUSOCO organization visited Tishk International University (TIU) on June 23, 2019. They were warmly welcomed and hosted by the chairman of the board of trustee and acting president of TIU, Dr. Idris Hadi Salih. Tishk International University (previously known as Ishik) has signed a comprehensive Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with MUSOCO organization. MUSOCO is a Non-Profit Organization of Social Utility (Onlus) which Pursues

exclusively aims of Mutuality, Solidarity, and Cooperation to promote dialogue among peoples and sustainable development processes in Italy and abroad. Dr. Karem mentioned that they are ready to initiate exchange programs of knowledge and information as well as the creation of opportunities for further mutual approaches to promote academic, cultural, and scientific correlations. At the end Dr. Idris Hadi gave the plaque of appreciation and thanked him for his visit.



MOU WITH JAGIELLONIAN UNIVERSITY

The president for Tishk International University Dr. Idris Hadi Saleh visited Jagiellonian University in Poland with the Director of International Relation Office Prof. Dr. Ahmet Oztas. On 29 April Tishk International University (TIU) has signed a comprehensive Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Jagiellonian University. They were welcomed by the president of Jagiellonian University Prof. Wojciech Nowak, JU Rector's Proxy for Internationalisation Prof. Adam Jelonek, Dr hab. Marta Najda-Janoszka (Faculty of Management and Social Communication), Dr. Karolina Rak (Institute of Far

and the Middle East), Dr. Joanna Boheńska (Faculty of Philology), Dr hab. Paweł Laidler (Faculty of International and Political Studies), and Adriana Hołub-Palonka (International Relations Office). The agreement with the Poland university will include exchange of students, exchange of research materials, publications and information, joint conferences and academic programmes, joint degree programmes, joint research activities and publications as well as the exchange of academic and non-academic staff members. The participants of the meeting discussed various aspects of fu-

ture cooperation, such as further development of Kurdish studies and establishing double degree programmes in the areas of pharmacy, political science, and international relations. Both presidents directed their relation offices to initiate exchange programs of knowledge and information as well as the creation of opportunities for further mutual approaches in order to promote academic, cultural, and scientific correlations. In the end, Dr. Idris Hadi gave a plaque of appreciation to Jagiellonian University president Prof. Wojciech Nowak and thanked him for his hospitality.

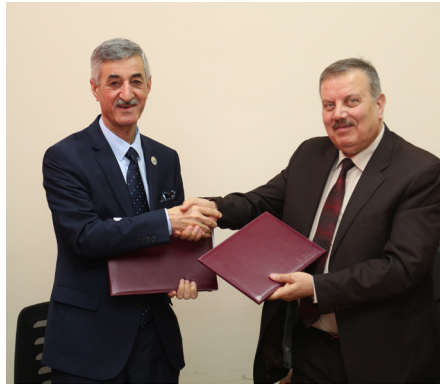


MOU WITH THE UNIVERSITY OF ZAKHO

Tishk International University (TIU) has signed a comprehensive MoU with the University of Zakho on February 13, 2019. President of Zakho University, Dr. Lazgin Abdi Jamil accompanied by the Director of International Relation affairs Mrs. Fatima Sandy and the Director of ICT Dr. Kawa Fahmi and the Vice president for academic affairs Dr. Ismail Ali have visited Tishk International University.

They were warmly welcomed and hosted by the Chairman of the board of trustee and acting president of Tishk International University Dr. Idris Hadi Salih. Firstly, The President of Tishk University Dr. Idris Hadi Salih presented a brief introduction about Tishk International University. Then they had a discussion with head of civil engineering Mr. Barham Haider and computer engineering

Mr. Safwan Mawlod department about the application of Bologna Process in the departments. Both presidents directed their relation offices to initiate exchange programs of knowledge and information as well as the creation of opportunities for further mutual approaches in order to promote academic, cultural, and scientific correlations.



NEW LABORATORIES OPENING CEREMONY AT TISHK INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY

On April 2nd 2019, TishK International University held an Opening Ceremony of 12 new laboratories at the University campus. They are: two Nursing Laboratories, two Medical Analysis Laboratories, two Petroleum and Mining Laboratories, two Mechatronics Laboratories, two Computer Laboratories, one Surveying & Geomatics Engineering Laboratory, and one Computer Laboratory for Business

Course. The Ceremony was held by the presence of Dr. Yusuf Goran, the Minister of Higher Education and Scientific Research, and other senior officials in the Ministry. It started with a Speech by Dr. Idris Hadi Saleh, Head of a Board of Trustees and the acting of President of the University, then with a speech made by Dr. Yusuf Goran. This was followed with cutting the ribbons. The delegation visited

all the new labs and the Faculty members gave short introductions about the laboratories and the technologies used within. Some lab experiments were presented by students and staff also. Establishing new laboratories comes as part of the University's ongoing endeavor to maintain adequate physical resources to support the mission of the institution and the scope of its programs and services.



MR. SPOKESMAN OF KRG VISITED TISHK INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY

Mr. Safeen Dizayee, KRG spokesman, visited Ishik University on October 31, 2018, and he was received by Dr. Idris Hadi and the presidency of Ishik University. Dr. Idris welcomed the delegation and thanked Mr. Dizayee for his visits to Ishik to closely see the educational system and students at Ishik University. The KRG spokes-

man thanked the presidency and academic staff of Ishik University for their role and effort to improve education in Kurdistan. He highly appreciated the university for providing scholarships to those students which they are studying in education department like Math, biology, physics. Then, both sides exchanged views and ideas

on how to strengthen cooperation and coordination between KRG, and Ishik University to improve and develop education in Kurdistan. They visited the departments, classes, and laboratories of the university and meets some of the students. Finally, Dr. Idris Hadi presented the plaque of appreciation to Mr. Safeen Dizayee.



NEW COLLABORATION WITH ARCHE NOVA ORGANIZATION

Ms. Sahar Omran, Director of projects in arche noVa organization, visited Tishk International University on Wednesday, February 27, 2019. She was warmly welcomed and hosted by the Chairman of the board of trustees and acting president of TIU, Dr. Idris Hadi Salih and the director of international relation office, Prof. Dr. Ahmet Özta. Firstly, Ms. Sahar presented a brief information about the organization and its achievements and their activities. The main target of this organization is to support people who live in precarious situations

caused by crisis, conflict or natural catastrophes. This organization is well-known in the field of water, sanitation and hygiene. This organization is a trusted cooperation partner of the German Foreign Ministry. The reason of the visit was to start collaboration projects with TIU and initiate a future activities and water projects by selecting a volunteer student from different faculties especially from Civil Engineering and mechatronics engineering department. At the end Dr. Idris Hadi give the plaque of appreciation and thanked him for his great hospitality.



ON-BOARDING PROGRAM FOR THE NEWLY JOINED LECTURERS

For helping newly joined lecturers to acclimate themselves to Ishik University and to understand how they can fit into the University Teaching - Learning System, an On-boarding Program for the new academic was held starting from October 24, 18 and finishing on November 05, 2018 at the university campus. Topics that are presented to the participants, were: Welcome to Ishik University!, The Vision and Mission of Ishik University, Preparing Course Syllabus and Course Material, Getting started with your class and PIS System, Overview of QA process and procedures at Ishik, QA e-system, Research Activities, Publication and Incentives, Human Resources Procedure, Dean of Students and Events, Introduction to IT Services and Facilities, Website facilities, Library Support and E-Library, Basics of ISO 9001, Structure of Ishik, Academic Advising and Office Hours. The program aims to provide an introduction about the structure and the culture of Ishik University and to familiarize the milestones of the university educational system. Also, the program gave the newly joined staff a sense of belonging to Ishik University team. We, as Ishik University, are glad to have them join our team and we wish them all success in their new career.



SPE WORKSHOP

A workshop presented by Society of Petroleum Engineers- Erbil Section (SPE) in the Department of Petroleum and Mining Engineering at Ishik University on November 14, 2018. The workshop is a part of SPE program called Distinguished Lecturer (DL), where each year, SPE selects a group of professionals, nominated by their peers, to share their knowledge and expertise with SPE members through visits to local sections. This year the DL is Dr. Cosan Ayan and his topic entitled (Reservoir and Fluid Characterization with Formation Testers: Reducing Asset Uncertainties). Dr. Ayan is a former Reservoir Engineering Advisor for Schlumberger. The workshop started at 9:30 AM and finished at 12:00. It included two sessions with a break in-between. During and after both sessions, many warm and valuable discussions between the presenter and the guests happened about the presentation and the related issues. Guests from inside our university (including our students) and from outside, especially from some oil companies, attended the workshop. The dense presence of guests revealed the importance of the event and the valuable scientific material which was presented.



OPENING CEREMONY OF TOOTH SCULPTURE

On November 22, 2018, An opening ceremony held at Ishik University, Faculty of Dentistry that was made through a collaborative team among a number of second-grade students and their Supervisor Dr. Hassan Kh. Mohialdeen. The ceremony started with an opening speech by the Head of Board of Trustees, Dr. Idris Hadi, through his speech he showed his appreciation and thanked the team and gave his full support so that these students become role models for the others. Following that Dr. Hassan clarified to the audience that was this idea was inspired by the students and how fastly they were able to complete this artistic work. After the ribbon-cutting ceremony by the presidency of Ishik University with the presence of the participants, the Sculpture has been introduced to the public for the first time in the Erbil city.



ORIENTATION PROGRAM FOR THE NEWLY JOINED RESEARCH ASSISTANTS

An orientation program for the recently joined research assistants of Ishik University was held between October 23, 2018, to November 30, 2018. Many essential topics related to the roles and duty of the Research Assistants were illustrated in the program, such as: Welcome to Ishik University!, The Vision and Mission

of Ishik University, Academic Roles of Research Assistants, Administrative Roles of Research Assistants, Activities-Related Roles of Research Assistants, Exam Invigilation Procedure, Human Resources Procedure, Technical procedures at the Labs, Students Orientation Techniques, Course Registration

and add-drop courses Process, Basics of ISO 9001 and Structure of Ishik University. In the program's closing session, the participants were awarded with completion letters and were advised to contact the presenters for any inquiry. We, as Ishik University Team, wish them every success in their new career.



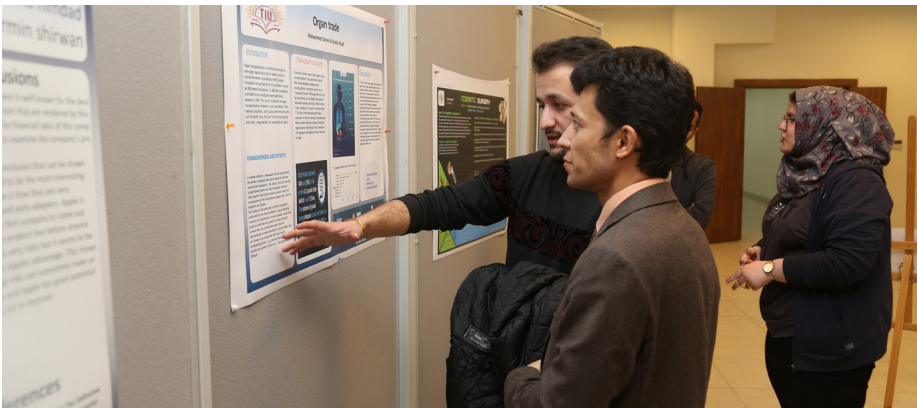
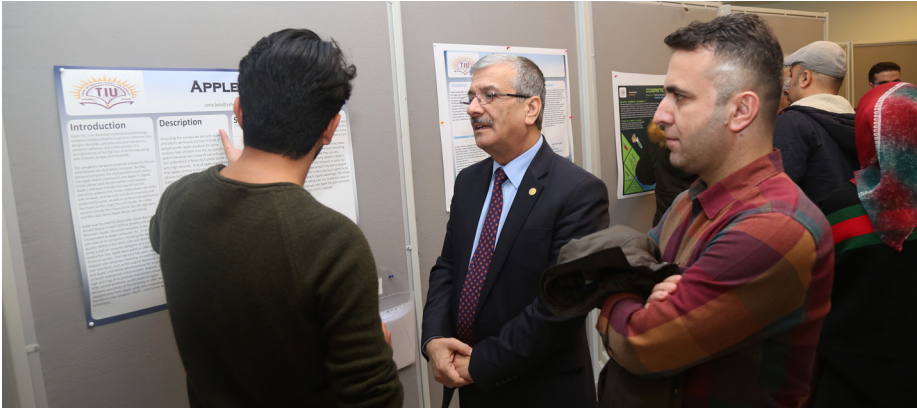
PRESIDENCY OF TIU VISITED CONSULATE GENERAL OF JAPAN

Dr. Idris Hadi Salih, Head of the Board of Trustees, Dr. Mehmet Özdemir, Academic Vice president and Dr. Wasfi Kahwachi, Admin and Fin. Vice president of Tishk International University visited Mr. Katsumi, Consulate General of Japan in Erbil, Iraq on March 31 2019. In the meeting, it was planned to initiate a new collaboration between Tishk and several Japan universities to promote scientific and education level by holding shared seminars, international conferences,

student and staff exchange programs and information exchange. Mr. Katsumi promised to help Tishk students to get the opportunities and scholarships to attain Master's degrees at various universities in Japan. He also suggested the creation of exchange programs that would raise knowledge and provide research data for both parties. It is hoped that this might bring about a free exchange of information while creating new opportunities for academ-

ic, cultural and scientific exchanges. Dr. Hadi mentioned several activities such as conferences, workshops, and social activities that he hoped would interest Japanese students and institutions. Mr. Katsumi showed a willingness to participate in these activities both in the current academic season and well into the future. At the end Dr. Hadi presented a commemorative plaque of appreciation to Mr. Katsumi to thank him for his gracious hospitality.





POSTER COMPETITION EXHIBITION

On February 27th, 2019, The Engineering Faculty in collaboration with Science faculty have organized a tremendous day event for poster presentation competition. The event included the presentation of tens of posters by first-grade students in different departments of engineering and science. The poster included the view of social and scientific perspectives of student research and data analysis for the Academic debate course. Students presented their work for the staff and students of Tishk International University (TIU) and some guests and visitors. A jury committee were assigned and evaluated to recognize the best poster which and certificates of appreciation were provided. The event took place in the exhibition area of the 5th floor of TIU main building. The event aimed to arm the student with presentation skills, debate motivations, and self-confidence. This is in addition to build up their research endeavor and seeking gaps in the community and science and present it to public with considerable conclusions and recommendations.

PUBLIC DIPLOMACY OF IRANIAN CONSULATE VISITED TISHK INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY

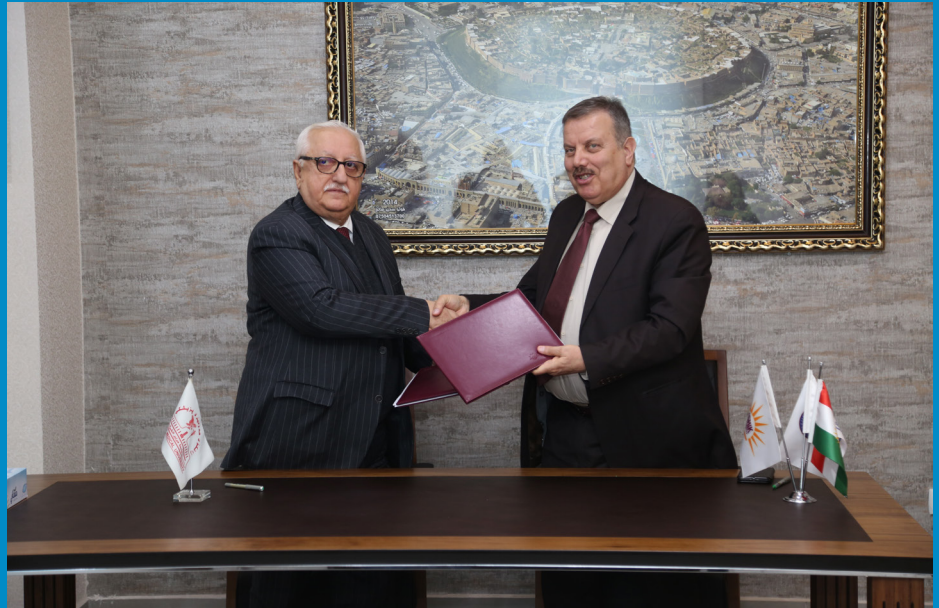
The public diplomacy, Mr. Syamk burhani, visited Tishk International University on Thursday March 10, 2019. He was warmly welcomed by his esteemed host, Chairman of the board of trustee (and acting president of Tishk International University) Dr. Idris Hadi. Dr. Idris Hadi spoke about Tishk International University and presented a list of significant university achievements from inception to date. During their meeting they discussed the MoU agreement that Tishk had signed with 8 Iranian universities to collaborate for future mutual benefit. This will help the students to participate in programs set out in the MoU agreement. In the future all parties will share knowledge, experience and culture through participation in conferences and events co-hosted by Tishk University and The Aforementioned

Iranian University group. Mr. Syamk was enthralled by Tishk International University events held during the last academic year(s) including the gratitude to martyrs' and graduation ceremonies. He also stressed that he would welcome an opportunity to personally participate in next year's events (2018-2019). Mr. Syamk mentioned that they were ready to initiate exchange knowledge and information exchange programs while creating new opportunities for further academic, cultural, and scientific programs. At the end, Dr. Idris Hadi presented an appreciation award plaque. Mr. Saymak returned the generosity of Dr. Hadi by giving a small gift while thanking him at great length for his true hospitality.



RENEWING MOU WITH HAWLER MEDICAL UNIVERSITY

President of Hawler Medical University, Dr. Dara Omar Meran, with a delegation visited Tishk International University (TIU) on Tuesday February 12, 2019. They were warmly welcomed by Dr. Idris Hadi Salih, President and head of board of trustees of Tishk International University. The visit aimed to continue and renew the ongoing 'memorandum of understanding' that defines the joint master's program at both universities. During their meeting they discussed the MoU agreement that was signed in 2017-2018 and they agreed to both continue and renew this joint academic program for the 2018-2019 season.



SEMINAR BY MR. M.P. RAJ, CONSUL (CONSULAR AND LABOR) FROM INDIAN CONSULATE

Seminar by the Mr. M.P. Raj, Consul (Consular and Labor) from Indian consulate in the Kurdistan Region for Students from the Department of International Relations and Diplomacy. On May 28th, 2019, the Consul (Consular and Labor) from Indian consulate in the Kurdistan Region, Mr M. P. Raj, visited Tishk International University. Mr Raj held a seminar titled "Yezidis and Hindus: Shared Heritage Some Significant Facts for Thoughts". The seminar was attended by a number of students from the Department of International Relations and Diplomacy as well as several members from the Faculty of Administrative Sciences and Economics. In his seminar, the guest speaker touched upon a number of striking similarities be-

tween Yazidism and Hinduism. Mr Raj then shared his experience of the time that he has spent in Kurdistan. He mentioned that he has visited some of the sacred places in the region, and then compared some of the traditions and beliefs that he has come across in the region to those that exist in India. The event ended with an opportunity for discussion and the desire for more collaboration—especially between the educational institutes in Indian and Tishk International University. In addition to the above, the visitor was also welcomed by, and met, the President of the university, Dr Idris Hadi. Dr Hadi then presented Mr Raj with a plaque of appreciation in recognition for his friendship and time spent with our students.



RENEWING MOU BETWEEN TIU AND SALAHADDIN UNIVERSITY

President of Tishk international University (TIU), Dr. Idris Hadi visited the Salahaddin University campus on Thursday, January 24, 2019. He was warmly welcomed by the president of Salahaddin University Dr. Ahmad Dizayi. The main aim of the meeting was to continue and renew the ongoing 'memorandum of understanding' that defines the joint master's program at the two universities. In the main campus of Salahaddin University, Dr. Ahmad Dizayi President of Salahaddin University and Dr. Idris Hadi Salih Head of Board of Trustees of Tishk International University signed a contract to admit to master program in the following departments:

- 1- Business Administration (MBA)
- 2- Law
- 3- English Language Teaching
- 4- English Literature
- 5- Architecture Engineering
- 7- Computer Engineering
- 8- Information Technology

The purpose of this agreement is to record the decisions of partner universities to run joint masters programs. Also they discussed to collaborate between both side to organize scientific and social events for the future unity.



RELIGIOUS DIVERSITY



The project of “Religious Diversity” has started in 2018 with a visit of the German side to Tishk International University (TIU) on April, 2018 and the counter-visit of Iraqi/Kurdish faculties was on September 2018, to Potsdam University, Germany. We have the best memories to both events and we are still grateful for your overwhelming hospitality and support. The project will continue in 2019. First, via video-conferences has been held in January 23, 2019 in Potsdam university and Tishk International University. In the presence of Professor für Religionswissenschaft, Dr. Stefan Gatzhammer from Potsdam University and Prof. Dr. Ahmet Özta , Director of international relations office on the date March 24, 2019 in Tishk International University. They had a meeting and they discussed about next activity, which is a summer-school in Potsdam (June/July), for which the DAAD will fund six students and three lecturers from each university. During the summer school in June/ July project participants will discuss religious diversity and study-techniques also with German students and faculty. But the main subject-matter will be the portraits of religious communities that the Erbil field-researchers will present. A publisher in Germany (ERGON-Verlag) signaled interest to publish the results of this project in a book.

THE BREXIT & IRANIAN CONSTITUTIONAL LAW

The Brexit & Iranian Constitutional was the title of the workshops organized by Law faculty of Tishk International University (TIU) on April 14, 2019. Two internationally experts were invited to present the workshop at TIU. All faculty academic staff and law department students participated in the workshops. Firstly Prof. Dr. Robert Wintemute presented the first workshop titled "The Brexit". The Brexit is the withdrawal of the United Kingdom (UK) from the European Union (EU). He mentioned some of the reasons behind the decisions of UK people to withdrawal from the European Union. The second workshop was presented by Dr. Hadi Salehi titled "Iranian Constitutional Law and Legal Recognition of Minorities". At the end of the workshops, the necessary time was given to everyone to ask questions. These activities are continuously organized by faculty of law for students and faculty of staff to be aware of the modern political and legal issues. At the end of the workshop, certificate of appreciation was awarded to the presenters and the organizing committee.



THE FIRST SURVEILLANCE AUDIT OF THE ISO 9001:2018

On May 16, 2019, the First Surveillance Audit of the ISO 9001:2015 Quality Management System at Tishk International University was conducted by the Bureau Veritas Lead Auditor, Dr. Ziad Iskandarani. The Audit aims to guarantee that the management system is in place throughout the validity of the certificate. The Audit started with a protocol meeting in which an overview about the University was presented by Dr. Idris Hadi Salih, the Head of a Board of Trustees and the acting of President of Tishk International University. Then it was followed by auditing sessions for the Quality Management Unit, a sample Academic Department, a sample Post-Graduate Program, a sample Laboratory, and the Students Affairs Unit. At the Closing Meeting, the Auditor stated that the Quality System of the University is very well structured and maintained. No non-conformities were reported.



THE JAPANESE CONSULATE OFFICE IN ERBIL HOSTED STUDENTS OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS DEPARTMENT

The Consulate Office of the State of Japan in the Kurdistan Region hosted a group of International Relations and Diplomacy department from Tishk International University. On Wednesday 22nd of May 2019, a group of students from the first year of International Relations and Diplomacy department accompanied by the head of department and staff visited the Consulate Office of the State of Japan in Erbil.

The visitors received by Mr. Katsumi Moriaso, the Japanese Consul in the Kurdistan Region and the staff at the Consulate Office. After briefing the students about the mission of the Consulate Office, Mr. Moriaso opened the floor for a long and interesting discussion with the students and staff. Responding to questions and inquiries from the guest visitors, Mr. Moriaso kindly offered detailed explanation, in-

formation, and views on several related issues to the functions and missions of the Consulate Office of the State of Japan in the Kurdistan Region, currently located at the heart of Erbil. The visit was a great opportunity for students to get an insight into the functions of a diplomatic mission and particularly, get familiar with the role played by the Japanese Government in the Kurdistan Region.



THE MINISTER OF HIGHER EDUCATION HAS AWARDED THE DEAN OF SCIENCE FACULTY OF TISHK INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY

On December 11th, 2018. The Minister of Higher Education has awarded The Dean of Science Faculty of ISHIK University (Dr. Karzan Mohammad) Researcher of the Year 2018 in Kurdistan Region. The title of best researcher in the region has been given to Dr. Mohammad from ISHIK University based on the research activity and publication impact that he has achieved during the academic year of 2017-2018. Dr. Mohammad has published 10

articles during the year in one of the best journals in the world (The Lancet). The publications were regarded as references for many agencies in the world in including the WHO. This is through collaboration with the University of Washington in the USA, and funded by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation. The global burden of the diseases is the main focus of Dr. Mohammad research. Nevertheless, the award winner of researcher of the year

has got a special talk in a panel where he expressed deep gratitude to the president of ISHIK University (Dr. Idrees Hadi) for his continuous support and encouragement for research and publications at ISHIK University. He explained the role of research in the society and how importance is the involvement of the community and public in the research support and adoption of results and recommendations.



THE MYSTERIOUS LINES DRAWING EXHIBITION

On February 27, 2019 an art exhibition was organized and presented by the teacher and students of drawing club. The Drawings were presented in the main entrance of the main building. The gallery contained more than 30 drawings that were organized chronologically. From the left side of the gallery were the basic drawings of the students from the early classes. Later, they were developed into amazing piece of arts. The Red ribbon was cut by the Vice

President Dr. Wasfi of the Tishk International University. He appreciated the hard work of the students and the organizer of the exhibition, especially the teacher of Drawing club Mrs. Xumar and the club coordinator Mr. Rizwan Tahir. Moreover, he encouraged us to produce better works, and also showed his full support for such projects. We are from Tishk family to have such amazingly talented students. Hopefully, we will produce better project in the future.



THE SHIP OF DIVERSITY

Dr. Azad Hama Shekhany, Head of Architecture Engineering Department, Tishk International University, won the best prize for 2019 in an international web-based artistic competition called “Red Line Art Works” among thousands of artists from 40 countries. The red line artwork promotes artists who can be the most inspiring and eloquent voices of their generation, of their communities, and the voices and powerless everywhere. Redline artwork promotes art which focuses on big global issues, big global concerns, big injustices and the problems which these are causing around the world. On 10th of March 2019, Dr. Azad was invited to the UK to receive the prize awards and the ceremony took place on March 17, 2019, in the presence of local press from Brighton, artists, British and Kurdish local communities.

The winner painting called “The ship of Diversity”, which represents and reflects the many people now in “adrift” in the word. Refugees from the south of the globe, are facing the drama of displacement because of the internal war, ISIS wars or as a result of the problems caused by climate change in our planet. People are often forced to leave their country and hope to settle in a safe land in Western countries. As people in the western countries are nowadays not very much welcoming the refugees and this often leads to the rise of extremist parties who troubles the security of the hosting countries. This painting tries to give an answer to the current state of the Middle East that faces many of refugees in the word and the responsibilities of Western governments in creating and sustaining those

problems. The ship of diversity is the gathering and homeland for refugees who are not warmly welcomed by the western countries and therefore try to inhabit in this ship nearby and with the protection of western countries. Dr. Azad is Kurdish and he and his family have been displaced from Kurdistan by the violence of the Islamic State (ISIS) and the other parties to the conflicts in Syria and Iraq. Dr. Azad currently lives between Kurdistan, Italy, and the UK. He is the Head of Architecture Dept. at Tishk University, also was a Lecturer in Architectural College at Venice University and was the Dean of Engineering Faculty in Sulaimani Polytechnic University. His artworks reflect the traumas of displacement, he is now divided his life with the fractured lives of scores of millions of other displaced people across the world.



TISHK INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY CELEBRATES THE 10TH ANNIVERSARY OF ITS FOUNDING

On February 10, 2019, Tishk International University (TIU) held an event to celebrate the 10th anniversary of its founding. A large number of participants, students and guests attended the event, including KRG ministers, MPs, NGOs and other officials. The President of the TIU, Dr. Idris Hadi, the Deputy Speaker of the Iraqi Parliament, Dr. Bashir Hadad, the Minister of Higher Education and Scientific Research (KRG), Dr. Yusif Goran, the Minister of Education, Dr. Pshtiwan Sadq (KRG), the Governor of Erbil, Mr. Nawzad Hadi, and owner of khoshnaw company, Mr. Ghafour Khoshnaw were among the dignitaries that were present. In addition to the above, representatives of several other organizations, universities, former ministers, general consulate representatives, academics, and families of students took part in the event. The celebration included some different activities such as speeches by some of the guests, giving out recognition awards, and live music performances. In the opening speech, the Minister of Higher Education and Scientific Research, Dr.

Yusif Goran, explained the works of his ministry about higher education, and he noted the progress that TIU has made so far. This was followed by Dr. Idris Hadi delivering a speech in which he presented a detailed account of the university's development over the past 10 years he also explained the aims of being an international University. Then a video from past to now has shown in the event followed by a video of statesmen and our alumni. Furthermore, ISO 9001:2015 certificate was handed to Dr. Idris Hadi, on behalf of the TIU, by a presentative of Bureau Veritas, and this adds to the achievements of TIU since its establishment. The ceremony enriched with live music performed by two of our talented students, Tavan Kamarran and Taha Kadir from Architecture. The ceremony ended by a group photo of all our TIU family. From now on February 10, of each year has been settled to university day. TIU is pleased and feel proud that all of the participants and our students seemed to enjoy this special day.





TIU HOSTED A COMMITTEE FROM ERBIL POLYTECHNIC UNIVERSITY

Tishk International University (TIU) hosted a committee from Erbil Polytechnic University consists of Dr. Mahdi Khalid Qadir head of the committee, Dr. Zikri Ali Azeez , Mr. Masud Abdullah Hussein and Ms. Nawroz Ismail Hassan members of committee on May 20, 2019. The aim of the visit was to evaluate the opening of new department of Physiotherapy Department.

The committee were welcomed by the Head of board of Trustees, Dr. Idris Hadi Salih, vice presidents of University Dr. Mehmet Ozdemir and Dean of education Faculty, Dr.

Karzan Muhammad. Dr. Idris Hadi made a presentation about University and the ability of Tishk International University (TIU) to open new departments like Physiotherapy department. The classrooms and laboratories of TIU were supplied with new equipment. The committee highly appreciated the role of Tishk International University to serve the community and the new generations. Tishk International University is a private university which was founded in 2008 in Erbil previously was known as Ishik University.



TIU PRESIDENT MEETS THE RUSSIAN CONSUL GENERAL!

Dr. Idris Hadi Salih, Head of the Board of Trustees and Dr. Mehmit Ozdamir, Vice president of Tishk International University visited Mr. Victor Simakov, Consulate General of the Russian Federation in Erbil, Iraq on the 23, January, 2018. It was planned to initiate collaboration between Tishk and various Russian Universities to promote shared seminars, international conferences, student and staff exchange programs and information exchange. Mr. Simakov promised to help Tishk students get scholarships from Russian Universities to attain Master's degrees at various Russian Universities. He also suggested the creation of exchange programs that would raise knowledge and provide research data for both parties. It is hoped that this might bring about a free exchange of information while creating new opportunities for academic, cultural and scientific exchanges. Dr. Hadi mentioned several activities such as conferences, workshops, and social activities that he hoped would interest Russian students and institutions. Mr. Simakov showed a willingness to participate in these activities both in the current academic season and well into the future. At the end Dr. Hadi presented a commemorative plaque of appreciation to Mr. Simakov to thank him for his gracious hospitality in staging the event.



TISHK INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY HOSTED A COMMITTEE FROM SULAIMANY UNIVERSITY

Tishk International University hosted a committee from Sulaimany University consists of Asst. Prof. Dr. Sozan Abdulla head of committee, Dr. Mustafa Ibrahim, Ms. Aysar Abdulxalq and Dr. najmaddin wahid members of committee on May 01, 2019. The aim of the visit was to evaluate the opening of new department of Computer Education Department. The committee were welcomed by the Head of board of Trustees, Dr. Idris Hadi Salih, vice presidents of University Dr. Mehmet Ozdemir and Dean of education Faculty, Dr. Suleyman Celik. Dr. Idris Hadi

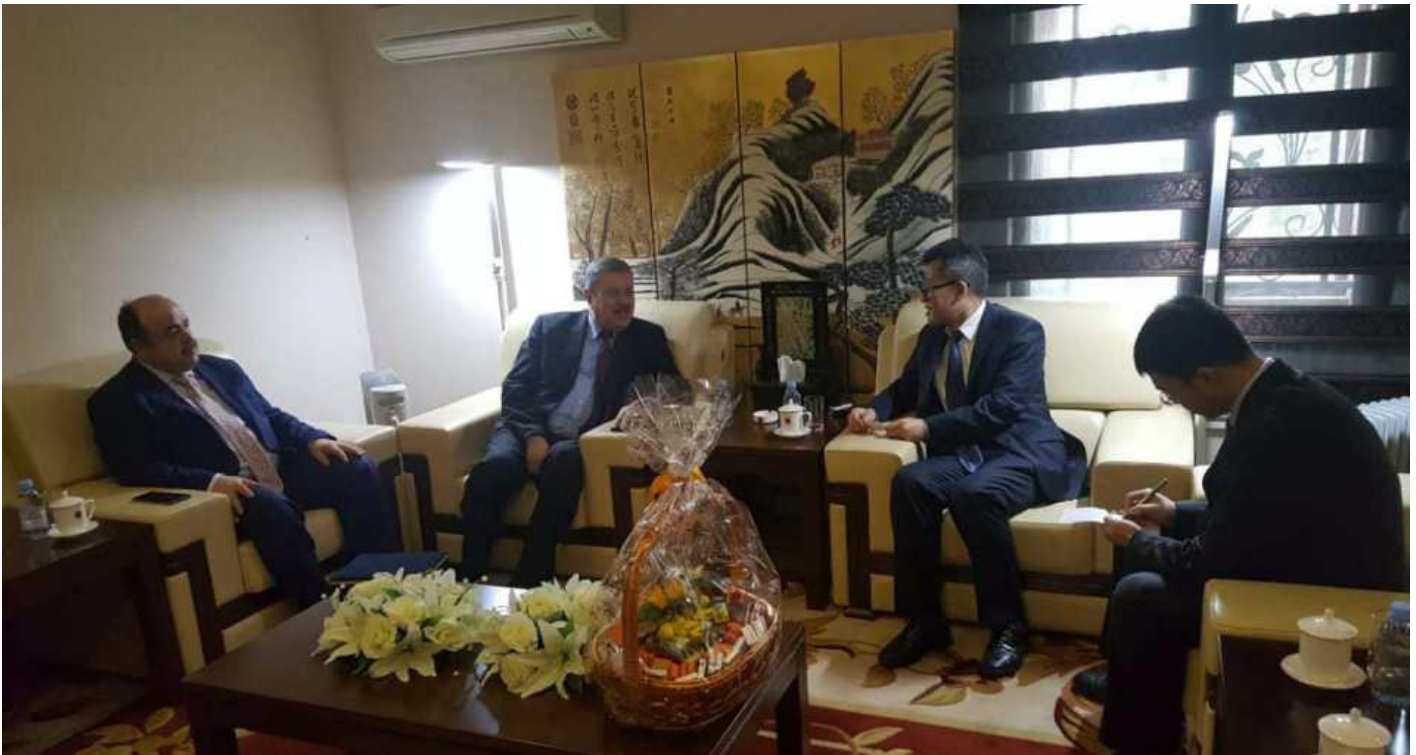
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TIU PRESIDENT VISITED CHINA CONSULATE

Dr. Idris Hadi Salih, Head of the Board of Trustees and Dr. Mehmet Özdemir, Vice president of Tishk International University and Dr. Suleyman Celik, Dean of Education faculty visited Mr. Ni Ruchi, Consulate General of China in Erbil, Iraq on March 07, 2019. It was planned to initiate collaboration between Tishk and various Chinese Universities to promote shared seminars, international conferences, student and staff exchange programs and information exchange. Mr. Ruchi promised to help Tishk students to get opportunities and scholarships to attain Master's degrees at various Chinese Universities. He also suggested the creation of exchange programs that would

raise knowledge and provide research data for both parties. It is hoped that this might bring about a free exchange of information while creating new opportunities for academic, cultural and scientific exchanges. Dr. Hadi mentioned several activities such as conferences, workshops, and social activities that he hoped would interest Chinese students and institutions. Mr. Ruchi showed a willingness to participate in these activities both in the current academic season and well into the future. At the end Dr. Hadi presented a commemorative plaque of appreciation to Mr. Ruchi to thank him for his gracious hospitality.



TIU RECEIVED AN APPRECIATION PLAQUE

Sultan printing and publishing press issuing a magazine under name of creatives (ALMOBDE'OON), the management committee of the magazine looks for organizations, institutions and private universities, under the supervision of the MHE of Iraq in order to select the creative works, studying systems that serve the science in a better way and then informing the concerned parties. After their visit to TIU, they published a report on our university showing the differences, invention, supporting students that can be found in this university, mentioning all the international accredited certificates that TIU have been achieved. As an Honor to Dr. Idris Hadi Salih, Head of Board of Trustees and Acting President of TIU a plaque of creativity and differences has been presented to him. Indeed, in recent years, TIU achieved significant developments in education and management, gaining international organizations accreditation, applying the successful education systems, opening postgraduate studies in cooperation with public universities and opening some new departments in the university. According to the last international webometric ranking, TIU got the first place among the private universities in Iraq. The presented appreciation plaque will encourage us to be continued on the success path.



TPDTP IS WRAPPED UP

During November 2018 – February 2019 a series of seminars and workshops were conducted as part of the Teacher Professional Development Training Program (TPDTP). TPDTP was designed to: further develop the competence of teaching staff at Tishk International University; promote best practices in the teaching process; stimulate effective strategies for student learning; and enhance research productivity and outputs. The topics presented included: modern interactive pedagogy (presented by Dr Basil Qa-

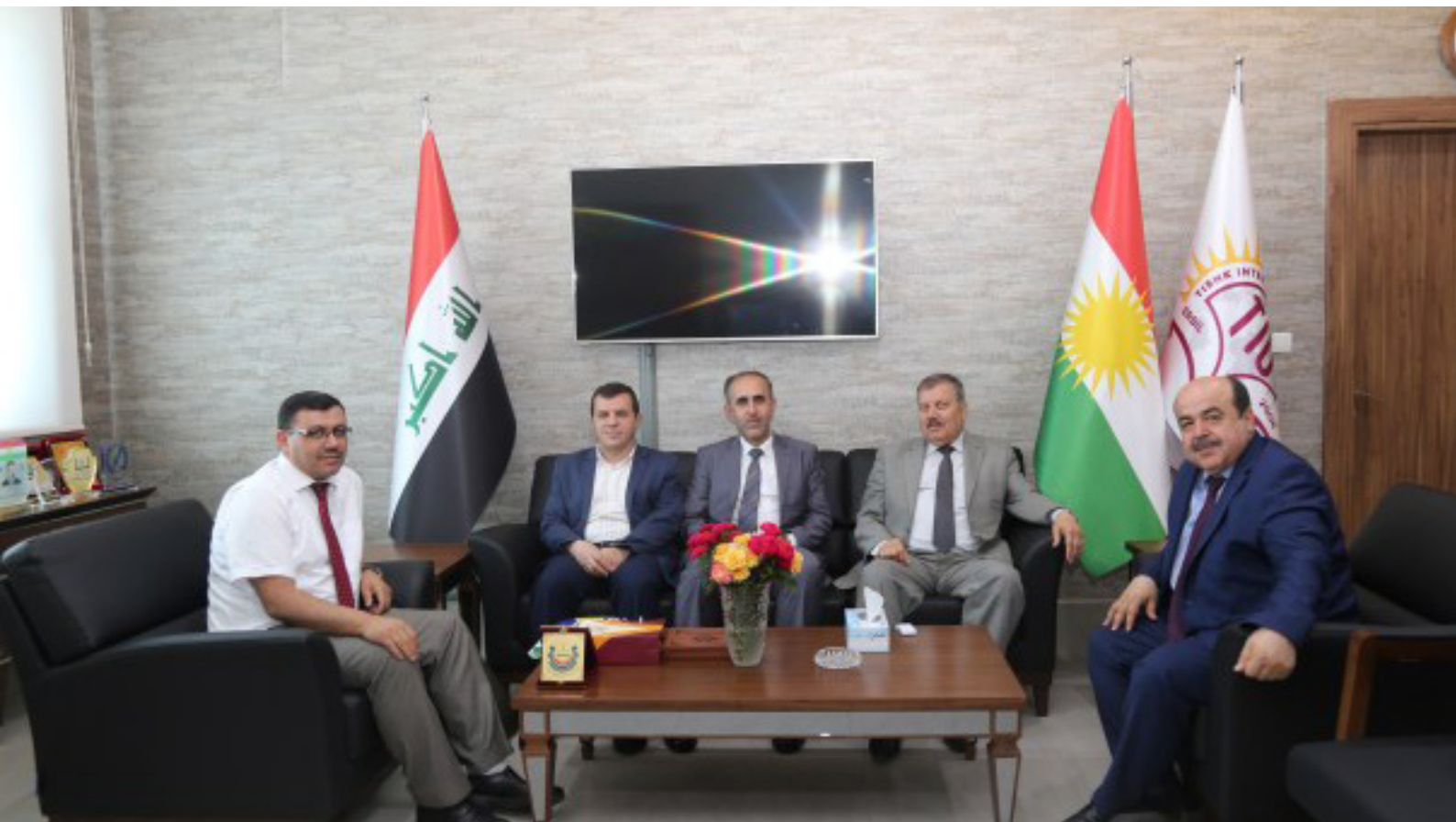
htan), effective academic writing (Dr. Cagri Mart), use of modern technology (Dr Venera Ulker), classroom management (Behjet Celik), assessment methods (Dr Bayan Salim), academic English proficiency (Dr. Sameerah T. Saeed) and management skills (Dr. Fatih Cura). The Teacher Professional Development Training Program was initiated by the Quality Assurance (QA) Unit and led by Dr Sameerah T. Saeed, Director of QA, as part of the unit's plan to promote quality and professionalism at Tishk International University.



TWO TIU LECTURERS PARTICIPATED IN ISYDMA 4

Head of Physics Department in TIU and Dr. Azeez A. Barznjy, Professor of Materials Science in TIU, have been presented a presentation to Dr. Idris Hadi Salih, Head of board of Trustees, regarding their journey of Jordan and their participation in the “4th International Symposium on Dielectric Materials and Applications (ISyDMA 4) organized by the University of Jordan, and the Jordan University of Science and Technology, Irbid, in cooperation with the Jordanian Club of Humboldt Fellows JCHF, Al-Ahliyya Amman University, Moroccan Association of Advanced Materials and Moroccan Society of Applied Physics.

Dr. Azeez A. Barznjy, has been participated with a presentation entitled “Corrosion reduction of mild steel by chromium electroplating from novel ionic liquids” and Dr. Sameh Ayden with a presentation entitled “Green synthesis and Characterization of ZnO Nanoparticles by pomegranate seed extract and its application in thin films preparation by spin-coating method”. Dr. Idris Hadi extended his gratitude to all the lecturers of TIU for their hardworking and especially to researchers Dr. Sameh and Dr. Azeez. TIU always support their academic staff to promote their scientific researches and their participation in the international conferences.



U.S. CONSULATE IN BASRAH VISITS TIU

On February 14th, 2019, the Consul General for the U.S. Consulate in Basrah, Mr. Timmy Davis, and the Political Affairs Officer of the consulate visited Tishk International University (TIU). The visitors were warmly welcomed by the President of the University, Dr Idris Hadi Head Of Board Of Trustees, and the staff of the International Relations Office. The Consul General and the Political Affairs Officer then held a meeting with a number of TIU students from the Department of International Relations and Diplomacy, and one of the lecturers from the same department, Dr Hawraman Ali.

In the meeting, and in response to the students' interests and questions, Mr Timmy Davis, discussed the practicality of being a diplomat, and the challenges and opportunities that diplomats may face in their careers. One other topic that was discussed was the Black History Month. Overall, the students and the staff from the Department of International Relations and Diplomacy were very pleased that the university had organised such a valuable opportunity for the students to hear the views of an experienced US diplomat on diplomacy

and diplomatic affairs in practice. Mr Timmy Davis has held several diplomatic positions in the US before his current assignment. He has worked as Special Assistant to former US Secretary of State Hillary Clinton, Director for Iraq at the National Security Council of the US, and the Deputy Chief of Staff to the Special Presidential Envoy to Counter ISIS. This was therefore undoubtedly an important event for the students to enrich their knowledge in their chosen field of study. Lastly, before departing, the guests enjoyed lunch with their TIU hosts and the students.



TREE PLANTING DAY

The presidency of Tishk International University (TIU) organized a special event named “Tree Planting Day” for all administration and academic staff of TIU. Previously computer engineering department planted tens of trees inside our campus. This time the out yard of the campus selected to be planted. Dr. Idris Hadi Salih, Head of board of trustees and president of university, lecturers and volunteer students participated in planting nearly 200 trees outside of the university on March 14, 2019. “As it is known, the trees play such an important role in our environment. They absorb harmful carbon dioxide out of the atmosphere and produce the oxygen we all need to breathe. Their roots prevent erosion by holding the soil intact and filter water by removing pollutants. With the reality of increasingly unpredictable weather patterns and more frequent and violent storms/floods”. (From National Geographic).



VISIT BY INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS AND DIPLOMACY STUDENTS TO THE KRG PARLIAMENT

first year students from the Department International Relations and Diplomacy of TIU visited the KRG Parliament On Wednesday, February 27th, 2019. The visit was led by Dr Hawraman Ali, one of the Department's lecturers, and Ms Jikar Najmaldin. The purposes of the trip were for the students to see the inner workings of the Parliament, to acquire practical knowledge of how politics is conducted within the

Parliament, and also how the Parliament deals with external actors. To achieve the above, the students had the opportunity to meet with a number of the Parliament's leading protocol staff, in which, in the talk that followed, the staff's functions, responsibilities and challenges were explained. The students then observed the Legislative Chamber, with guidance provided on the layouts of the Chamber. This was fol-

lowed by a visit to the library of the Parliament and a tour of the other parts of the building. The stated department of TIU intends to continue to build close relations with the various organisations and institutes in the Kurdistan Region, and beyond, in order to provide a better learning environment for its students and to ensure that the students are exposed to practical aspects of their chosen field of study.



VISIT YOUR FUTURE

Tishk International University (TIU) held fabulous opportunity for 12th grade of high school students. On February 19,20,21 of 2019, “Visit Your Future” took place on our campus. Before the date of event we, as TIU personally by the help of our devoted staff visited nearly all schools around Erbil city to invite 12th-grade students to our university. This event aimed to see university life in firsthand, which includes classrooms, labs, cafeteria, library, club room, court mood, etc. walk around the university, listening to our guide to what their intuition tells them about how it would suit to their

personal and academic goals. First, we registered each of the students, provided them with a stationary to take notes, followed by providing a guide to each group of 15 to 20 students to make a tour through our campus, there is a remarkable point we want to emphasize that each department prepared a booth concerning their interest of the department itself. Lastly, we presented a seminar for each group of the students, listened to their suggestions and answered their questions. About 900 students visited TIU during these 3 days. At the last day of the program as a motivation for

next generation we have arranged a lottery process, some names were drawn between the registered students. The gifts were 2 laptops, 4 tablets, and 10 power banks. TIU feels proud and happy to be a place in which students believe in, and deeply wants to appreciate and thanks all directors, teachers and administrations of the high schools which they have concern to their students for their future and career. We promise to all the students that TIU is a place where you look for and your future will be in here.



WELCOME CEREMONY FOR THE FRESHMAN STUDENTS OF TISHK INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY

On December 12 of 2018, ISHIK University had welcome ceremony event for the freshman students. At the start of the event, the Chairman of the board of trustees and acting president of ISHIK University Dr. Idris Hadi Salih gave a speech and welcomed each and every one of the freshmen students to the ISHIK Family, a place where all students are embraced regardless of race, ethnicity, color, or religion. Furthermore, he stated that university life is a cornerstone for the future life of every individual. After that,

from the different faculties, seven candidates were chosen to cut the Freshman cake and welcome the new members of the ISHIK family. Later, a live concert was performed by our talented students from the guitar club. Namely, Didar Mohammad and Fahad Salman with their respected instructor Mr. Goran. Lastly, the freshmen were joyous and happy to be members of such an amazing family. We wished them a fruitful education experience and thanked them for their participation in our magnificent event.



ZANYARI SCHOOL VISIT TO TISHK INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY

On (November 26,27 of 2018) 260 students of Zanyari private high school visited Ishik University, they were all welcomed warmly by the university staff. They have led around and introduced to all departments of Ishik University. They got a chance to see the academic and administration system of the university. However, they participated in some seminars about, “how to apply and the chance to get discount” as well. On the other hand, all students were very grateful and showed their excitement about Ishik University. At last, all guests, teacher, and student were given gifts, prepared by Ishik University, and thanked for their visit and hoped the best for the guest.



ISHIK UNIVERSITY PARTICIPATED IN RWANGA FORAS 2018

On the date of September 09 – 10, 2018, Ishik University participated in Rwanda Foras 2018 at Sami Abulrahman Park, Erbil/KRG. The aim of this international job fair was to bring potential job opportunities for young people and students in Kurdistan. In this context, many local and international companies were part of this fair. During the event Ishik representatives warmly welcomed the guests whom visited Ishik booth and explained Ishik University for them, also job opportunities were available for those who wants to apply for Ishik University and become a member of Ishik University Family. In the fair more than 100 companies participated with more than 1000 Job vacancy. Ishik University would like to thank Rwanda Foundation for giving this opportunity to Ishik University to participate in the fair.



Q.A. MEETING WITH UNIVERSITIES

On Wednesday September 05, 2018, the body of Quality Assurance (called 'apparatus of Supervision and Quality Assurance' at MHE) has organized a meeting at EPU, Erbil. The meeting was attended by Minister of HE, Dr. Yousif Goran, Head of Quality Assurance (QA) Body, Dr. Mohammed Husein, Vice-presidents for Scientific Affairs of all KRG universities, QA directors and Health and Safety (H&S) directors of all KRG universities. Dr. Mehmet Ozdemir, Academic Vice President, Dr. Sameerah T. Saaed, QA Director and Mr. Baban Jamal, Director of H&S from Ishik university attended the meeting. QA and H&S are significant processes that form part of the Ministry's main strategies, and thus they need to be well managed and continually scrutinized to boost the quality of education process at the universities and institutes. This can be achieved through utilizing the experience of the world universities in the developed countries so as to reach higher world education standards and achieve better positions in the world universities ranking. Dr. Yousif Goran presented a speech to the attendees

mentioning some important points: · Iraq and the Association of Arab Universities (AAU) are making use of NUR-KRG criteria and methodology. Recently Iraq and AAU have started to plan to establish a ranking for all Arab universities. · Kurdistan is pioneer in this regard as it has started and ran the National Ranking of Universities three years ago successfully. This is a great achievement for all public and private universities. Throughout Middle East and Arab countries only Turkey has got a national ranking for its universities. In October and for the third time MHE will announce the results of NUR. Based on the data provided, there is a progress in the performance of KRG Universities, specifically in terms of scientific publications. The purpose of this ranking is not to show the superiority of one university to another; it is rather to establish and enhance the culture of scientific publications and participate in the world researching process. Hopefully Ishik university were in the first group in the previous year. · Universities should plan to get accreditation certificates from international academ-

ic agencies. At Ministry they aim to support all universities and institutes to get internal, regional or international accreditation. Ishik University was mentioned to have achieved accreditation for some of its programs like Civil Engineering, Law Faculty. The QA body at MHE needs to supervise/audit public universities in the same way as it does for the private universities and institutes as stated in the Ministry law. The supervision should include Bachelor, Master and PhD programs and practiced according to the standards set by MHE. In the second part, the head of the QA Body at MHE-KRG presented the vision, mission and objectives of the Body. He also presented a new ranking process which will be managed daily by universities. The results are shown daily through a special software program established by MHE. An open discussion between the head of QA and representatives of universities were made. he answered the questions of the attendees. They all hoped to increase the quality of educations in the KRG universities.



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