

Derasat launches opinion poll for upcoming elections

Poll aims at measuring voters' opinion about participation in the electoral process

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Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Bahrain Centre for Strategic, International and Energy Studies (Derasat), Dr Shaikh Abdullah bin Ahmed Al Khalifa, yesterday announced the launch of Derasat's opinion poll for the upcoming parliamentary and municipal elections.

The poll aimed at measuring the voters' opinion on their participation in the electoral process, reasons for voting, learning about the voters'

opinions on the performance of previous parliamentary and municipal councils, in addition to their aspirations for the next parliamentary and municipal action.

Derasat Chairman said the targeted survey sample comprises citizens over 20 years of age, where data will be collected through direct interviews at public gathering areas, in addition to citizens' online participation via the link: <https://derasat.limequery.com/219348?lang=ar>.

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opinion polls and surveys, as a vital and required mechanism, in the achievement of sustainable development and the development of the democratic process.

He said the Kingdom of Bahrain, under the leadership of HM King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa, has provided all the necessary fundamentals for conducting the forthcoming electoral process with integrity, transparency and justice, to strengthen the foundations of the modern civil state based on the rule of law and institutions.

HRH Crown Prince invited for FIJ

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His Royal Highness Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, the Crown Prince, Deputy Supreme Commander and First Deputy Prime Minister yesterday received Saudi Ambassador Dr Abdulla bin Abdumalek Al Alshaikh at Gudaibyia Palace.

During the meeting, the Ambassador delivered a letter from His Royal Highness Prince Mohammad bin Salman bin Abdulaziz Al Saud, Crown Prince, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Defence of Saudi Arabia, inviting HRH the Crown Prince to the 2018 Future Investment Initiative (FIJ) taking place between 23 and 25 October in Riyadh.

HRH the Crown Prince and the Ambassador discussed Bahrain-Saudi longstanding and diverse bilateral relations.

Real stories to inspire youth



Shaikh Hisham with organisers at the event.

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A book launched yesterday will portray the stories of 51 inspiring Bahrainis from various walks of life.

'Those Who Inspire BAHRAIN' launch was held at the Bahrain Fort Museum under the patronage of Capital Governor Shaikh Hisham bin Abdulrahman Al Khalifa.

The launch event organised in conjunction with the Manama Entrepreneurship Week, was supported by Labour Fund Tamkeen.

The inspiring biographies of those portrayed in the book include that of Shaikha Al Shaiba, Paratriathlete; Dr Mubarak Najem, Composer and Conductor of the National Band of Bahrain; and Omar Farooq, Filmmaker

and YouTuber.

Speaking to Tribune, Emilia Mirea, Director and Co-Publisher of the book, said, "The purpose of this book is to empower millennials and to boldly encourage them to pursue their dreams and, above all, believe in themselves. The book will allow them to explore a wide spectrum of role models and mentors from their own country."

Gulf Convention Centre unveils new look

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Guests are all set to be taken to another fascinating level as the Gulf Convention Centre unveiled its state-of-the-art facility.

The newly-renovated Gulf Convention Centre, consists of 13 meeting and conference rooms out of 33 venues, spread over 4,780 square meters featuring new re-designed event venues and conference halls, enhanced with luxury while boasting natural charm and elegance.

"The Gulf Convention Centre is the best and most sought after destination for any large events and conference's as well as a much de-

sired venue for weddings in the Kingdom. Not only will the new facility feature a stunning contemporary design it will also have advanced technology that will complement the new Gulf Convention Centre," said Mr Fares Yactine, General Manager.

Mr Yactine, also said "taking center-stage of the renovation is the installation of five digital HD Screens, featuring four-metre wide, three-metre high. This will run impressive high definition videos with high resolution images with spectacular sounds together with exquisite Chandeliers that are equipped to change colours at any choice."

Young cricketers



Exelon has launched Young Boys Cricket Team in an effort to support the initiatives brought in Bahrain by His Highness Shaikh Khalid bin Hamad Al Khalifa, First Deputy President of the Supreme Council for Youth and Sports and the Honorary President of Bahrain Cricket Association. Qamar Saeed, former Bahrain National Team player, captains Exelon Young Boys. The team consists on multiple emerging players and experienced veterans including national players like Zeeshan, Talah, Tahir Dar, Asghar Bajwa, Yaqoob and Naem.

Battle against breast cancer



Bahrain Airport Company (BAC), the operator and managing body of Bahrain International Airport (BIA), in collaboration with Gulf Air, the national carrier of Bahrain, and Gulf Aviation Academy (GAA), the Kingdom's premier Aviation and Logistics training academy, held a Breast Cancer Prevention and Women's Wellness Day. In attendance were BAC Chief Executive Officer Mohamed Yousif AlBinfalah, GAA Chief Executive Officer Dr Dhaffer Al Abbasi, Gulf Air Chief Executive Officer Krešimir Kučko and a number of employees to show their support in the awareness of breast cancer where some employees received a full consultation and examination at the Gulf Air headquarters.



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