

## HM King hails Bahraini women 'significant contributions'

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His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa has commended Bahraini women for contributing significantly to the Kingdom's development process, and playing a noble role in taking care of their families.

HM the King expressed pride in the numerous achievements of Bahraini women, citing their contributions to the kingdom's comprehensive development and decision-making processes, and their success in reaching the highest positions locally, regionally and globally.

His Majesty was speaking as he received at Al Safriya Palace yesterday a delegation from the UN Women and members of the international jury of the "Princess Sabeeka bint Ibrahim Al



HM King receives the Princess Sabeeka Global Award jury

Khalifa Global Award for Women's Empowerment", led by UN Under-Secretary-General and UN Women Executive Director, Sima Sami Bahous.

Present were HM the King's Personal Representative, His

Highness Shaikh Abdulla bin Hamad Al Khalifa, and the Secretary-General of the Supreme Council for Women (SCW), Hala Al Ansari.

The delegation is visiting the Kingdom to announce the win-

ners of the second edition of the Princess Sabeeka bint Ibrahim Al Khalifa Global Award for Women's Empowerment during the ceremony which will be held tomorrow under the patronage of Her Royal Highness Princess

"Bahrain boasts a rich past and an advanced civilisation, and Bahraini women have contributed significantly to the Kingdom's development process."

- HIS MAJESTY KING HAMAD BIN ISA AL KHALIFA

Sabeeka bint Ibrahim Al Khalifa, Wife of HM the King and SCW President, on the sidelines of the kingdom's celebrations of the Bahraini Women's Day 2022.

HM the King commended the efforts of the international jury's

president and members, praising the pioneering role of the Supreme Council for Women, led by HRH Princess Sabeeka, to enhance the status of Bahraini women and consolidate their effective role at the international level.

HM King Hamad appreciated the ongoing fruitful cooperation between the SCW in Bahrain and UN Women across various fields, especially in supporting the Princess Sabeeka bint Ibrahim Al Khalifa Global Award for Women's Empowerment and promoting women's issues globally.

HM the King lauded the benevolent goals of the Award, aiming to highlight the importance of women's contributions to development efforts and social stability in all countries.

## HRH Princess Sabeeka bint Ibrahim Al Khalifa receives UN Under-Secretary



HRH Princess Sabeeka with Dr Bahous and members of the international jury

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Her Royal Highness Princess Sabeeka bint Ibrahim Al Khalifa, Wife of His Majesty the King and President of the Supreme Council for Women (SCW), received at Al Rawdha Palace UN Under-Secretary-General and UN Women

Executive Director, Dr. Sima Sami Bahous, who is also Head of the international jury of the "Princess Sabeeka bint Ibrahim Al Khalifa Global Award for Women's Empowerment".

HRH Princess Sabeeka bint Ibrahim Al Khalifa thanked Dr. Bahous and the jury for their efforts to ensure that the results

of the award are consistent with its objectives in celebrating the efforts made by the business sector that in order to sustain the progress of women and raise their contributions to development.

She valued UN Women's efforts to achieve the goals of the Princess Sabeeka global award.

## Bahraini press plays key role in development



Al Hammadi with members of Bahrain press

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The Bahraini press plays an important role in supporting the comprehensive development process, led by His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa.

Information Affairs Advisor to HRH Crown Prince's Court, Isa bin Abdulrahman Al Hammadi, said that HM the King's support for Bahraini journalism has enabled it to play a greater role in carrying out its noble

mission to the fullest.

He affirmed the constant interest of His Royal Highness Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, the Crown Prince and Prime Minister, in consolidating the role of the press and media, as parts of Team Bahrain, which continues its endeavours to build the nation and achieve the best for the citizens.

Al Hammadi made the statements while receiving yesterday the President of the Bah-

rain Journalists' Association (BJA), Editor-in-Chief of the Al-Ayyam newspaper, Isa Al-Shaiji, BJA's Deputy President, Abdulrahman Al Medfaa, and BJA's Secretary-General and International Relations Director, Rashid Al Hamar.

During the meeting, Al Hammadi commended BJA's and interest in enhancing the role of national press and its responsible free word in order to achieve the national goals.

# 'Innovative education' is key to develop 21st century skills

Dr Juma opens third International Education Conference at Diplomat Hotel

● Event features panel discussions and workshops

● Focuses on reality of education, current challenges

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It is important to promote innovative education and develop learning methodologies to foster creativity and incorporate the 21st century skills.

This was stressed by Education Minister Dr Mohammed bin Mubarak Juma as he opened the third International Education Conference yesterday at the Diplomat Hotel in the Kingdom of Bahrain.

The event is being held this year under the theme "Innovative Education In A Changing Era".

Addressing the opening ses-



Dr Juma delivers a speech at the event

sion, Dr Juma thanked Arab Center for Educational Research in Gulf Countries for organising the conference to discuss key issues and challenges to build modern and advanced education, and to exchange visions, experiences and successful practices.

He valued the role of the center in studying the educational reality in the Gulf coun-

tries, and developing educational policies in line with the latest educational trends in the world.

The opening ceremony was also attended by The Arab Bureau of Education for the Gulf States (ABEGS) Director-General Abdulrahman bin Muhammad Al Asimi, and Head of the Arab Center for Educational Research in Gulf Countries, Dr Sulaiman Ibrahim Al Askari.

Costanza Farina, Director of the Unesco Regional Office for Education in the Arab Countries in Beirut, officials, experts and specialists in the field of education from several countries were also present.

Kuwait-based Arab Center for Educational Research in Gulf Countries is organising the event, which features panel discussions and workshops focus-

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- DR MOHAMMED BIN MUBARAK JUMA, EDUCATION MINISTER

ing on the reality of education, current challenges and future requirements.

### Support

Dr Al Asimi commended Bahrain's support to the The Arab Bureau of Education for the Gulf States (ABEGS), stressing the importance of the conference, which convenes as the world is recovering from the pandemic, which left its toll on education.

Dr Al Askari highlighted the crucial role of digital technology in developing education and teaching methodologies, stressing the importance of optimising the use of cutting-edge digital technologies in enhancing the standard of learning.

Farina also addressed the conference, stressing the importance of the topics which aim at discussing the reality of education in the region aligning educational policies to serve sustainable development goals.

## HEC Secretary General, Advance HE discuss cooperation

Dr Shaikha Rana  
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Higher Education Council (HEC) Secretary-General and Vice-Chairperson of its Board of Trustees Dr. Shaikha Rana bint Isa bin Daij Al Khalifa met Director of International Partnerships at British Higher Education Academy (Advance HE) Christian Rampell.

The meeting discussed ways to enhance cooperation and develop the capabilities of educational faculty members in local universities to boost the standards.

Dr Shaikha Rana said that more than 650 members of the academic staff in the Kingdom have obtained the fellowship from Advance HE. Bahrain is fifth in the world in the number of fellowships from the British Academy.