

Students guided through various laboratories

Indian Public School students visit Kuwait Medical Genetic Centre

KUWAIT CITY, May 9: The Class XII Biology students of Indian Public School had an edifying opportunity to visit Kuwait Medical Genetic Centre on 7th May 2023, thanks to the efforts of INJAZ Kuwait. Kuwait Medical Genetic Centre (KMGC) was established in the year 1979 with a clear vision of a modern Kuwait with a less burden of genetic disorders, a complete coverage of genetic services and is a leading research genetic center in the Middle East.

The students were guided through the various laboratories including the FISH Lab, NBS Delfia Lab, NBS Tandem Mass Lab, Cyto Genetic Lab, Molecular Diagnosis Lab and

the Screening Lab by the professionals with years of expertise in the field.

The working of the various labs were explained in detail to the students and all their queries were patiently answered by the experts. It was an enlightening experience for the students, planning to pursue innovative zones in the medical field.

The centre offers different genetic diagnostic services to citizens and residents in Kuwait. It also evaluates the genetic health state and determines the extent of the prevalence of genetic disorders in Kuwait. The state of the art equipment and facilities used were mindboggling and awe-inspiring for the students.



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Organization groups 6 GCC states

ROPME marks Regional Environment Day

KUWAIT CITY, May 9, (KUNA): The Regional Organization for Protection of Marine Environment (ROPME) on Monday celebrated the Regional Environment Day, coinciding with the 1978 treaty according to which the organization was founded.

ROPME's Acting Director General Samira Al-Kandari, in a statement on behalf of the Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Oil and Minister of State for National Assembly Affairs Bader Al-Mulla, underscored the need to educate the youth namely the students about negative impact

of green-house emissions.

The organization groups the six GCC member states plus Iran and Iraq.

The green house emissions and climatic change have become a global concern, Al-Kandari affirmed during a ceremony marking the occasion. She also noted that ROPME's logo for the occasion is, "Dust storms and their Effects on the Land and Marine Ecosystems."

Kuwait's territory is largely arid and the country often witnesses raging dust storms that sometimes leave damage.

Al-Kandari added that ROPME exchanges information and expertise with authorities of the regional countries on means of protecting the environment particularly the marine ecosystem.

Meanwhile, ROPME Executive General Secretary Dr. Jassem Al-Bechara indicated in a statement during the ceremony that an affiliate photo exhibition also organized on the Regional Environment Day -- intended to promote environment awareness among students.

The organization has allocated an annual award to honor winners of a competition for the students. Latest competition involved students who presented 500 paintings and some 90 articles, Bechara added.



Regional Organization for Protection of Marine Environment Acting Director General Samira Al-Kandari.



KUNA photos of Regional Organization for Protection of Marine Environment's event attendees.

NATO's Iannucci praises Kuwait positive role in regional stability

Willingness to help Iraq seen

BRUSSELS, May 9, (KUNA): The outgoing Commander of NATO Mission in Iraq, Lieutenant General Giovanni Maria Iannucci, Monday lauded Kuwait's positive role in maintaining peace and security in the region.

"Kuwait has quite an important role to play", he told a small group of journalists including KUNA, speaking via zoom from Baghdad to the NATO headquarters in Brussels.

"I see from Kuwait a positive posture and even the willingness to help Iraq to some extent to become stronger," he said.

"I see a positive dynamic ongoing. The recent Iranian-Saudi agreement to some extent paved the way for better environment," said the NATO commander who was assigned to his post in Iraq in May 2022.

"Even though the agreement between Saudi Arabia and Iran was signed in Beijing, Iraq played a very important role in facilitating the dialogue," he stressed.

The Italian Lieutenant General said



KUNA photo of Commander of NATO Mission in Iraq, Lieutenant General Giovanni Maria Iannucci speaking to reporters via zoom from Baghdad

that the focus of the present government of Iraq led by Prime Minister Mohammad Al-Sudani is on improving regional relations by paying visits to neighboring countries.

"He is trying to re-position Iraq in the center of the regional foreign policy to smoothen and improve relations even with some neighboring countries

with whom they have some disagreements," he said.

Referring to the problem of terrorism, he said, "Daesh as we knew years ago in this country is no longer a threat."

"However, this does not imply that terrorism is no longer alive because there is a different type of terrorism be-

hind the scenes" he said, warning that the nexus between the growing criminality, drug trafficking, and terrorism could become a concern in Iraq.

In his presentation, Lieutenant General Giovanni Maria Iannucci referred to the growing role of China and Russia in the Middle East region and said that China will continue to play a major role in the region in the military and security environment.

The same applies to Russia, he said noting, "Iraq is in the center of geopolitical confrontation."

NATO Mission Iraq (NMI) is a non-combat advisory and capacity-building mission that assists Iraq in building more sustainable and effective armed forces and security institutions, to stabilize their country, fight terrorism and prevent the return of ISIS/Daesh.

Several hundred personnel from NATO and partner countries are serving in the mission.

The mission was launched at the NATO Summit in Brussels in July 2018, following a request from the government of Iraq, and established in October 2018.

Lieutenant General Jose Antonio Agüero Martínez from Spain has been appointed as the new Commander for the NATO Mission to Iraq.

'Technical content & collaboration opportunities for all'

AUK hosts IEEE EDUCON 2023

KUWAIT CITY, May 9: The American University of Kuwait (AUK) hosted the IEEE Global Engineering Education Conference (EDUCON 2023). Held for the first time in Kuwait, the University accommodated approximately 200 international conference attendees. EDUCON is one of the flagship conferences of the IEEE Education Society. EDUCON 2023 was sponsored by KIPCO and its subsidiaries, Borgan Bank and Gulf Insurance Company - GIG (premier sponsors); and platinum sponsors MathWorks, Binary Logic, and ABET; along with Qatar Airways as the official carrier. IEEE Region 8 also contributed to the organization of EDUCON, while IEEE-Kuwait Section was the technical sponsor of the event.

During the opening ceremony, AUK president, Dr. Rawda Awwad gave a speech where she prompted the audience to consider the implications of emerging technologies and rapid changes in the future of education. "As experts, innovators, academicians, industry people, public and private sector stakeholders, we must come together much more often, as we are doing here in the next several days, to share the significance of innovation and its impact, while holding onto the interdisciplinary importance of solving complex challenges we face today. As we move towards an era of rapid technological advancement, it is essential that we prepare ourselves and our students to navigate the changing landscape, with the introduction of AI only accelerating this process."

The dean of the College of Engineering and Applied Sciences (CEAS) and co-chair of EDUCON 2023, Dr. Amir Zeid, followed with a speech where he expressed his delight at the diversity of backgrounds and expertise represented in the conference. "We are honored to welcome around 200 participants from above 50 countries, across five continents to this year's

event. As we continue to provide high quality technical content and collaboration opportunities, we are confident that EDUCON will be an enriching and informative experience for all attendees."

Representing the premier sponsor, KIPCO senior vice president of Communications and Investor Relations at KIPCO, Ms. Eman Al-Awadhi, underscored the company's commitment to education. "Education is an important pillar of KIPCO's portfolio. The establishment of the American University of Kuwait in 2003 marked our entry into this sector. Since then, we have been contributing to the education of young people in Kuwait through our network of K-12 schools and this university, shaping the future of the country through the quality of learning that we offer. We pride ourselves on upholding a culture of freedom of thought and expression, respect for individual rights and cultural diversity in our institutions."

The conference featured a lineup of distinguished international keynote speakers who shared their expertise and insights on timely and pertinent topics in the field of engineering. They provided unique perspectives on emerging trends, new technologies, and best practices in the field.


Workshops, paper presentations, and roundtable discussions also took place to inform, inspire, and challenge attendees to broaden their knowledge and engage in meaningful conversation about the latest developments.

The IEEE EDUCON 2023 is the fourteenth in a series of conferences that rotate among central locations in IEEE Region 8 (Europe, Middle East, and Africa).

Held every year since 2010, EDUCON provides an opportunity to scientists, professional engineers, and students to present their work, publish their results, exchange ideas, and network for future scientific and industrial collaborations.




EDUCON 2023 group photo of AUK student volunteers.



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5	2862928	S/F HYDROCYCLONE, PETRECO INTERNATIONAL	5
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