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HELD IN ALEXANDRIA UNIVERSITY DURING THE PERIOD
FROM 25/12 to 31/12/1977**

According to the resolution of the Council of the Association of Arab Universities which was held from 16 - 21 April 77 at the University of Jordan, the Second Seminar of the Faculties of Commerce, Economics Political Sciences and Statistics of Arab Universities was held at the University of Alexandria from 25 - 31 December 1977.

The Seminar was attended by representatives of the following Universities.

Azhar University

Dr. Ezzat Mahmoud Al-Sheikh Dean of the Faculty of Commerce

Alexandria University

Dr. Abd-El-Fatah El-Sahn Dean of the Faculty of Commerce

Assiut University

**Dr. Moustafa Bahgat Abdel
Moutaal** Dean of the Faculty of Commerce

Om Durman Islamic University

Dr. Ali Abdel Rasoul Head Dept. of Economics, Polit. Sc.
and administration.

Tunis University

Dr. Abdel Latif Khamakhim Dean of the Faculty of Economics and
administration, Safakis.

Dr. Moustafa Al-Zaghal Head Dept. of Administration Faculty
of Law.

Halwan University

Dr. Ahmed Sorour Ahmed Dean of the Faculty of Commerce.

Khartoum University

Dr. Abbas Ahmed Dean of the Faculty of Economics and
Social Science Studies.

<p>Riadh University</p> <p>Dr. Hussein Mohamed Alawi</p>	<p>Assit. Prof. Faculty of Commerce.</p>
<p>Zagazig University</p> <p>Dr. Henry Anis Mikhail</p>	<p>Dean of the Faculty of Commerce (Banha).</p>
<p>Sanaa University</p> <p>Dr. Samaan Boutros Farag Allah</p>	<p>Dean of the Faculty of Commerce.</p>
<p>Tanta University</p> <p>Dr. Abdul Moneim Gonceid</p> <p>Dr. Adly Mohamed Tawfik</p>	<p>Dean of the Faculty of Commerce.</p> <p>Prof. Faculty of Commerce.</p>
<p>Ein Shams University</p> <p>Dr. Mohamed M. Al-Sayed Al-Gazzar</p> <p>Dr. Mohamed Fathi M. Aly</p>	<p>Dean of the Faculty of Commerce.</p> <p>Head Dept. of Statics. Faculty of Commerce.</p>
<p>Cairo University</p> <p>Dr. Ahmed Ebada Sarhan</p>	<p>Head Dept. of Statistics Institute of Statistics Research Studies.</p>
<p>Kuwait University</p> <p>Dr. Salem Marzouk Al-Toheih</p>	<p>Lecturer Faculty of Commerce.</p>
<p>King Abdel Aziz University</p> <p>Dr. Mohyddin Trabzoni</p> <p>Dr. Bakr Al-Emary</p> <p>Dr. Ali Abdel Kader</p>	<p>Head Dept. of Accounting. Faculty of Economics and Administration</p> <p>Head Dept. of Public administration and Political Science.</p> <p>Prof. Dept. of Public administration and Political Sc.</p>
<p>Mansoura University</p> <p>Dr. Mahmoud Assaf</p>	<p>Dean of the Faculty of Commerce.</p>
<p>Yarmouk University</p> <p>Dr. Abdel Bari Ibrahim Dorra</p>	<p>Deputy Director of Division of Economic and Administration Sciences.</p>
<p>Association of Arab Universities</p> <p>Dr. Jassim Mohammed Al-Khalaf</p> <p>Mr. Adel Khalek Ezzat</p>	<p>Assistant Secretary General.</p> <p>Expert of the Association.</p>

First — Preparing and Qualifying Teaching Staff :

Based on the philosophy of considering teaching staff as the cornerstone of the educational process, and that the more effective and abundant such a source in communicating ideas and information to learners, the better the quality and level of preparation of graduates in serving the needs of their societies, it is recommended that :

1. Qualifying :

A teaching staff is a person who holds a Ph. D. degree or its equivalent in his field of specialization.

2. Languages :

A — A foreign language is considered to be an effective tool since it links researchers with academic references and advanced research sources. Therefore, teaching staff should be aware of foreign languages to up-date their academic knowledge.

B — Students should be supported and encouraged to study foreign languages.

C — A student should not register for graduate studies unless he has passed an examination in a foreign language, or possessed attestation from an accredited scientific centre of his knowledge of such a language.

D — Request the Association of Arab Universities to contact Ministries of Education in the Arab World to reinforce the study of foreign languages in secondary schools.

E — The translation movement and specialized writings in commercial subjects, and supplying the occidental Arab countries with what the Oriental Arab countries have attained in that respect are encouraged.

3. Graduate Studies :

A — Since graduate studies are the principal source for qualifying and preparing teaching staff, such studies should be encouraged in the Arab Universities, and the proper atmosphere should be made available.

B — Existing and expected graduate studies in the Arab Universities should be coordinated, and periodic teaching seminars in different specialized fields are encouraged.

C — Graduate students applying for Masters or Ph.D. degrees are required to take special courses, and pass comprehensive examinations, in addition to writing theses or dissertations in their fields of study.

D — Recommendations of the first seminar concerning the creation of an Arab centre for graduate studies are emphasized.

4. Missions :

A — Missions for Ph.D. degrees should be directed toward accredited Universities with respectable academic standards.

B — The study should cover both the academic and applied sides where necessary.

5. Continuity of Qualification :

A — Teaching staff who hold Ph.D. degree from Arab Universities are to be sent in Post-Graduate Scholarships for proper periods of time to acquaint themselves with developments in their fields of study.

B — New teaching staff are to attend educational training programs which help them in their teaching careers.

Second — Essential Minor Subjects :

Academic programs for both under graduate and post graduate studies should emphasize minor subjects such as Quantitative Analysis, Behavioral Science, Foreign Languages, Islamic studies, and Arabic Language. Each Academic department is to specify the minor subjects essential for its major fields of specialization.

Third — Cooperation Between Faculties of Commerce, Economics, Political Science and Statistics and the means for attaining such cooperation :

1. Participation in the realization of integration among the Faculties of Commerce, Economics, Political Science, and Statistics in different Universities, and in overcoming the shortage in teaching staff they might face.
2. Exchange among the Arab Faculties of teaching staff and students in different fields of specialization is encouraged, and grants in each Faculty are to be stipulated to reach that end.
3. Exchange of circulars and printed matters among different Faculties is encouraged, and a circular summarizing scientific subjects and research published in such Faculties is to be issued on a rotation basis by each of the Faculties of Commerce in the Arab world.
4. To avoid the duplication and repetition of theses and dissertations for Masters and Ph.D. degrees, abstracts of such theses and dissertations should be made available for researchers.
5. Formation of specialized Societies among Arab Universities in the areas of Business, Economics, Political Science, and Statistics are urged. Intellectual meeting among specialists, Joint-research and translation are encouraged. Thus, a committee is formed from the following :

Dr. Mohy El-Din Tarabzoni University of King Abd-El-Aziz
Accounting,

Dr. Bakr Omar El-Emary University of King Abd-El-Aziz
Political Science,

Dr. Hussein Mohamed Ali Alawi Riyadh University.
Management,

Dr. Abd El-Latif Khamakhem Management,	Tunis University.
Dr. Aly Abd El-Rasoul Economics,	Om Dorman Islamic University
Dr. Mostafa Al-Zaghl Economics,	Tunis University
Dr. Adel Abd-El-Hamid Eiz Insurance,	Cairo University
Dr. Fathi Mohamed Ali Statistics & Mathematics,	Ain Shams University

The committee is to prepare a work paper on the proposed Societies, their objectives, and the means for their financing. Such work paper is to be submitted to the chairman of the seminar.

6. Formation of an information centre in each faculty or among a number of Faculties and exchange of such information among Faculties is encouraged.
7. Joint supervision on Master's and Ph.D. These and Dissertations among Faculties of Commerce, Economics, Political Science, and, Statistics in the Arab world is encouraged, and arrangements should be made to reach that end.
8. Formation of joint academic committees for the evaluation of teaching staff research is encouraged.
9. Exchange of teaching assistants and instructors among the concerned Faculties is encouraged.
10. Stipulation of grants for research and scientific studies which help teaching staff and researchers in each Faculty in the Arab world is encouraged.

Fourth — General Recommendations :

1. The Association of Arab Universities is requested to study and analyse existing Faculties to uncover the similarities and differences between them ; a step which is essential for the development of such Faculties.
2. To insure the execution of the recommendations issued and to uncover the obstacles to execution a «follow up» committee is formed as follows :

Dr. Abd-El-Fatah El-Sahn
Dean of the Faculty of Commerce, Alexandria University and Chairman of the seminar.

Dr. Henry Anis Mikhail
Dean of the Faculty of Commerce, Banha, the Rapporteur of the seminar.

Dr. Abd-El-Latif Khamakhem
Dean of the Faculty of Economic, Tunisia, Safakes.

Dr. Abd-El-Bari Darah

Economic and Business Sciences Departments, Yarmouk University.

3. Because of the great burden being carried by the Association of Arab Universities, and to insure the performance of the increasing activities, the seminar recommends the administrative and financial support for the Association of Arab Universities.

Chairman

Dr. Abd-El-Fatah El-Sahn
Dean of Faculty of Commerce,
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