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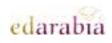








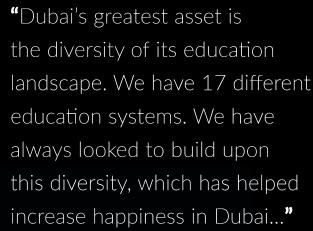
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# Dr. Abdulla Al Karam Chairman of the Board of Directors & Director General, Knowledge and Human Development Authority (KHDA)

## **SESSION PLAN**

#### DAY 1 | SUNDAY | FEBRUARY 07, 2016

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09:00 INTRODUCTORY ADDRESS | World Education Summit 2016 Vision

09:05 WELCOME ADDRESS | UAE Vision 2021 National Agenda

09:25 KEYNOTE ADDRESS | Legal Frameworks for Investments In Dubai

09:40 SPECIAL ADDRESS | Changing Times, Changing Needs

10:00 KHDA ROUNDTABLE | Ask how you can invest in Dubai's Happy Education Sector

11:00 NETWORKING TEA AND VISIT TO EXPO



#### **SCHOOL EDUCATION**

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11:30	EMERGING PARADIGM   Workshop on Using Dat		
	Support Teaching and Learning in Schools		

#### **13:00 EXPERT TALK** | Sharing of Perspectives Amidst the Emerging INDO-UAE Partnership

#### 13:30 LUNCH | Knowledge Meal & Meet Up

#### 14:15 KNOWLEDGE SHARING | Principals' Roundtable Interaction

# 15:15 ENLIGHTENING TALK | on Including Online Education in the Mainstream K12 Agenda for Evolving a Rich and Engaging Mix of Content, Making Learning more Lively

#### **15:30 CHURNING** | Exploring & Evangelizing the Future Paradigms of Learning in Globally Acclaimed Schools

#### 16:15 TEA BREAK | Tea Break & Expo

16:30	<b>EXECUTABLES</b>   Creating an Educational Ecosystem for
	Generating Capital Investments in an Ever Growing
	Multi-Cultural Globalised Environment

#### 17:15 POWER TALK

17:30	INSIGHTS   Unravelling & Unleashing the Foundation	
	Precepts of Learning in Pre-Schools	

#### 18:15 CLOSURE DAY 1

#### HIGHER EDUCATION

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11:30	<b>LEARNINGS</b>   Handling the Complexity of			
	Academic Operations			

11:45	KHDA ROUNDTABLE   Investing In Higher
	Education Quality

#### **12:15 EMERGING IDEAS** | Differentiated Outcomes & Expanding Roles of Higher Education

13:00	LUNCH	I Carrying	forward	Networking

14:05	CONVERGENCE   Learning from the "Big 4" Global
	Education Destinations

15:00	DEMONSTRATION	Technology as the Panacea for
	Academic Excellence	

15:15	IN-DEPTH   The New Age Disruptors of Global Business
	Education

16:00 TEA BREAK

**16:15 EXPERIMENTS** | How is Angola using ICT for Education & Employability

16:30 VALUES & BRANDING IN EDUCATION

16:45 TETE-A-TETE | International Education Initiatives

17:30 CLOSURE DAY 1

#### DAY 2 | MONDAY | FEBRUARY 08. 2016

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- 09:20 INSIGHTS | New Age Pedagogical Interventions in Teaching
- 09:45 SPECIAL TALK | Globalisaton and Industry Based Education
- 10:00 TEA BREAK
- 10:30 PANEL DISCUSSION | Education for Human Fulfillment: The Emerging Global Experiments & Innovations
- 11:30 **REVIEW** | The Emergence of Middle East as a Coveted Knowledge Destination
- 12:20 IN-DEPTH | Creating Sustainable Financial Models in Higher Education
- 12:30 SPECIAL ADDRESS | Why Dubai
- 12:50 AWARDS | WES 2016 Awards Felicitation Address
- 13:30 LUNCH
- 14:30 **EXPANDING THE FRONTIERS |** Experiments from the Indian Ocean
- **14:40** TRENDS | Exploring the Trends & Tethers of Transnational Education
- **15:50 THE BIGGER PICTURE |** Global Best Practices
- 17:05 VALEDICTORY ADDRESS
- 17:20 NETWORKING TEA

# DAY 1 | BALLROOM PART (A+B) SUNDAY | FEBRUARY 07, 2016

#### PLENARY SESSION

08:00-09:00

REGISTRATION

09:00-9:05

**INTRODUCTORY ADDRESS** 

Dr. Ravi Gupta, Editor in Chief & CEO, Elets Technomedia

09:05-9:25

**INAUGURAL** 

**WELCOME ADDRESS** 

Invoked by Dr. Abdulla Al Karam, Chairman of the Board of Directors & Director General, Knowledge and Human Development Authority (KHDA)

**KEY TALKING POINT** 

UAE Vision 2021 National Agenda:: Driving the Regional Development through a Happy & Fulfilling Education System #learningfromdubai

09:25-9:40

**KEYNOTE ADDRESS** 

Mark Beer, OBE, Chief Executive & Registrar, DIFC Courts **Dubai International Financial Centre** 

KEY TALKING POINT

Legal Frameworks for Investments in Dubai

9:40-9:55

SPECIAL ADDRESS

Ryan Pinto, CEO, Ryan International Group Of Institutions

KEY TALKING POINT

Changing Times, Changing Needs

9:55-10:00

**UNVELING THE SPECIAL EDITION OF** DIGITAL LEARNING MAGAZINE FOCUSING ON THE EVER EVOLVING **EDUCATION LANDSCAPE OF THE** MIDDLE EAST

10:00-11:00

KHDA ROUNDTABLE

Kalthoom Al Balooshi, Executive Director, Education Development, KHDA, Dubai

KEY TALKING POINT

Ask How You Can Invest in Dubai's Happy Education Sector

11:00-11:30

**TEA BREAK** 

Networking tea and visit to Expo





**KALTHOOM AL BALOOSHI** 

**Executive Director Education Development** Knowledge and Human **Development Authority,** Dubai



**JAMES NEILL** 

International Director GL Education **United Kingdom** 



**RYAN PINTO** 

CEO Rvan International **Group of Institutions** India



OBE Chief Executive & Registrar **DIFC Courts Dubai International Financial Centre** 



**DR. RAVI GUPTA Editor in Chief & CEO** Flets Technomedia



# **SCHOOL EDUCATION**

#### 11:30-13:00

#### **EMERGING PARADIGM**

# WORKSHOP ON USING DATA TO SUPPORT TEACHING AND LEARNING IN SCHOOLS

Led by James Neill, International Director, GL Education

#### **KEY TALKING POINTS**

School Leaders are increasingly using data effectively within their own schools to identify gifted and SEN students; personalised and differentiated teaching within classrooms; measure year on year progress of students in Maths, English and Science; support school leadership with school self-evaluation analysis; give insights into developing school self-improvement plans etc. Data Analytics gives key insights which help usher in the regime of configuring personalised learning modules suiting the pace & pitch of each student. The workshop would use case studies from school leaders who use data effectively within their own schools.

#### 13:00-13:30

#### **EXPERT TALK**

SHARING OF PERSPECTIVES AMIDST THE EMERGING INDO-UAE PARTNERSHIP

Mr. Ashok Kumar, President & CEO, Indian High School, Dubai Dr. B.R. Shetty, Chairman, Abu Dhabi Indian School

#### **KEY TALKING POINT**

Contributions of Indian Expats in building up the Happy Education Sector of Dubai that has evolved with the changing times

#### 13:30-14:15

#### **LUNCH**

Knowledge Meal & Meet Up



#### 14:15-15:15

# KNOWLEDGE SHARING PRINCIPALS' ROUNDTABLE INTERACTION

Faroog Ahmad Wasil, CEO, Goldline Education

KEY TALKING POINTS

**Sharing Best Practices in Global Education** 

Discussionns would revolve around:

Collaborative Ecosystem, Technology Enablement, Science Teachnology Engineering Arts Mathematics (STEAM), Innovations

#### 15:15-15:30

#### **ENLIGHTENING TALK**

# INCLUDING ONLINE EDUCATION IN THE MAINSTREAM K12 AGENDA FOR EVOLVING A RICH AND ENGAGING MIX OF CONTENT, MAKING LEARNING MORE LIVELY

**Cody Claver**, Vice President of International Business Development, Panshopic learning

#### KEY TALKING POINTS

Digital Learning for K-12 creating a rich mix of content along with traditional materials including textbooks, CDs and videos, allowing delivery of lessons in diverse ways that accommodate diverse learning styles and complements interactive online learning. These methodologies facilitate increased student engagement and make learning more alive with this rich and engaging content.

#### 15:30-16:15

#### **CHURNING**

# EXPLORING & EVANGELIZING THE FUTURE PARADIGMS OF LEARNING IN GLOBALLY ACCLAIMED SCHOOLS

Ken Jones, CEO, Al Dhafra Private Schools

#### KEY TALKING POINTS

After the due setting in of educational processes & ensuring the learning outcomes, educational institutions the world over are venturing to create lasting brands.

This is done to ensure universalising of branding of Schools for attracting the right workforce and students

#### Aparna Verma, CEO, Scholars International Group

#### KEY TALKING POINTS

How to instill the elements of change in an Schooling Ecosytem :: Collaborations, Technology, Innovations, STEAM

#### Poonam Bhojani, CEO, Innoventures Education

#### **KEY TALKING POINTS**

Fostering Creative & Innovative Thinking has become a dominant goal for school education. In order to induce the same in the teaching learning processes, a wide milieu of sensitive practices have to be adopted & adapted as per the educational context present to bring about the requisite cognitive change in Children.

#### **Adonis Nasr**, CEO, AMSI (Academia Management Solutions International)

#### KEY TALKING POINTS

Augmenting Teacher Capacities has become an integral part for School Advancements and for the wholistic development of students and the entire educations ecosystem as a whole. Creating a continuous learning environment for educators, a much-needed requirement of the present times

and the ever evolving educations landscape themselves is certainly a task bridled with innumerable hurdles which are of sensitive nature.

#### Kamal Gupta, Regional Director, MENA Global Schools

#### KEY TALKING POINTS

How is Technology Redefining School Operations across Administration & Academics?

#### 16:15-16:30

#### **TEA BREAK**

Networking Tea Break & Expo Visit



#### 16:30-17:15

#### **EXECUTABLES**

#### CREATING AN EDUCATIONAL ECOSYSTEM FOR GENERATING CAPITAL INVESTMENTS IN AN EVER GROWING MULTI-CULTURAL GLOBALISED ENVIRONMENT

MODERATOR

**Ashwin Assomull (Partner) PARTHENON-EY** 

#### Imad Ghandour, Managing Director, CedarBridge Partners

#### KEY TALKING POINTS

Investors' Perspectives on the emerging & ecletic opportunity for investing in the business of education

#### Fahim Muscatwalla, Director, Abraaj Capital

#### KEY TALKING POINTS

Invoking the free flow of eduINVESTMENTS :: Preparedness & Elements of a Globally Competitive Education Business Ecosystem

### **Basem Abu Dagga**, Founder and Executive Director, Learning Curve Holdings

#### KEY TALKING POINTS

Finding, Prospecting and Converging with Investors having aligned interest and objectives

#### 17:15-17:30

#### **POWER TALK**

Sailesh lyer, Director, Dubai operations, Kalorex Group

#### KEY TALKING POINTS

Demographics, geo-politics, societal aspirations, technological trends and a whole lot of other parameters are influening & driving investment flows in Education across MENA Region. How the eduINVESTORS across the globe can take advantage of this aspirational eduDESTINATION.

#### 17:30-18:15

#### **INSIGHTS**

#### **UNRAVELLING & UNLEASHING THE** FOUNDATIONAL PRECEPTS OF LEARNING IN PRE-SCHOOLS

Ms. Vandana Gandhi, Founder and CEO, British Orchard Nursery

#### KEY TALKING POINTS

Ensuring quality in a multi-centre early childhood chain is an onerous task as it sits on the very dichotomy of its philosophical premise. Any regime to enforce quality has to ensure that the nature & requirement of every child is unique, entailing for a due customisation of the larger quality quest. The concept of quality control in an academic ecosystem has to be seen differentially from that in other domains handling material.

Mrs Lovita Tariq Chauhan, Founder and Director, Kids World Nurseries, UAE

#### KEY TALKING POINTS

Early Childhood is the age of explorations. The every inquisitive child imbibes a wide variety of learning pointers in her sub-conscious mind at this state. In a way, she sets in a Education Mind map which unfurls in later stages. How this Mind Map is nutured at some of the best early childhood education ecosystems would be an interesting tale to narrate.

Roshi Tandon, Managing Director, Chubby Cheeks Nursery Group would extoll more on this subject out of her vast engagement with the kids from various backgrounds

#### KEY TALKING POINTS

Educational Institutions and Parents are partners in educating children. Together they ensure that children develop

holistically - intellectually, socially, emotionally as well as physically - ready to face the challenges of an ever changing world and to grow up to become responsible global citizens

Swati Popat Vats, President, Podar Education Network and Director, Little Wonder Nurseries, UAE

#### **KEY TALKING POINTS**

At a time when a child to exposed to almost the entire spectrum of human life, a different set of learning regime has to be set in for her. Filtering out the relevant impressions and nurturing them to the rightful intensity is somewhere the harder task for an early childhood educator.

What are some of the burning Early Childhood Learning Trends which prepare the child for the coming future ridden with so much of uncertainty and competition?

Pallavi Rao Chaturvedi, Founder & Director, Brainy Bear **Preschools & Activity Clubs** 

#### KEY TALKING POINTS

The teaching - learning process in human beings starts as early as at six months of age. Through a combination of formal and informal methods, a child can actually be inducted into developing a love for life long learning.

The need and success of introducing Mother Toddler programs to open the windows of cognitive, kinesthetic, linguistic and social intelligences would be interesting to analyse. The presentation will also discuss the critical facets that go into creating a confident and eager to learn preschooler.

18:15

#### **CLOSURE DAY 1**

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#### INDIAS MOST VERSATILE KNOWEDGE PLATFORM ON EDUCATION











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# **HIGHER EDUCATION**

11:30-11:45

#### **LEARNINGS**

# HANDLING THE COMPLEXITY OF ACADEMIC OPERATIONS

**Chris Cobb**, Pro Vice-Chancellor (Operations) and Chief Operating Officer, University of London, London, UK

#### **KEY TALKING POINTS**

Handling the multifaceted set of time critical operations in a Globalized Knowledge Ecosystem poses an unprecendented complexity. How this is done within the supercharged confines of University of London, would be a one of its kind learning exposure. This talk shall dwell upon this aspect.

#### 11:45-12:15

#### KHDA ROUNDTABLE

# INVESTING IN HIGHER EDUCATION OUALITY

**Wessen Rawazik** – Director of Higher Education, Regulations and Permits Commission, KHDA

**Nitesh Sughnani** – Senior Manager, Quality Assurance – Universities and Colleges Agency, KHDA

12:15-13:00

#### **EMERGING IDEAS**

# DIFFERENTIATED OUTCOMES & EXPANDING ROLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION

**Mr. Bjorn Kjerfve**, Chancellor, American University of Sharjah, UAE, would put his observations on this count

#### KEY TALKING POINTS

Creating sustainable financial models in higher education & delivering portable, affordable and high quality education programmes has become the dominant concern and focus of Founders of Higher Education Institutions across the globe. A look at the different and successful models in this realm.

#### Siddharth Chaturvedi, Director, AISECT University

#### KEY TALKING POINTS

Integrating Skills-based learning in Higher Education: Enabling flexible skills-based learning, integrating skills and entrepreneurial education in the higher education sector, unifying national qualifications framework for skills and higher education and solving the highly concerning employability issue are some of the key emerging themes in the Indian Higher Education Sector.

The objective of this brief and much-needed session would be to present a much-required perspective on these themes in the Indian context, which has become the burning need of the hour.

#### **Dr. Narayanan Ramachandran**, Pro Vice Chancellor, Amity University, Dubai

#### KEY TALKING POINTS

Over the ages, the geo-political shift has happened due to advancements in controlling & channelising the material nature. Societies have ascended to the zenith of prosperity by putting this art and craft to human welfare. Today's information age presents an unprecedented opportunity to mould the destiny of the human population by invoking the power of technology and change the entire ecosystem for the benefit of the society at large. Creating prosperity through technology would catapult the role & relevance of higher education in an entirely different realm altogether.

#### 13:00-13:45

#### LUNCH

Carrying forward Networking and Expo visit



#### 13:45-14:05

#### **DEMONSTRATION**

#### **EXAMINATION SYSTEMS**

Mr. Mithun Nair, Business Analyst, Orion India Systems Pvt Ltd

#### KEY TALKING POINTS

From the Ancient Tradition of Riddle Based evaluation of competencies to Continuous Data Driven Assessment of Learning Outcomes, Examinations have seen a diverse evolution. How is technology helping examination systems become more efficient and automated will be demonstrated here.



#### 14:05-15:00

#### **CONVERGENCE**

# LEARNING FROM THE "BIG 4" GLOBAL EDUCATION DESTINATIONS

**Dr. Nabil Ibrahim**, Chancellor, Abu Dhabi University, Abu Dhabi

#### KEY TALKING POINTS

The United Arab Emirates has made an unprecedented surge in rising as a global higher education hub. The prestige & privilege of being the land of the Wise has been brought back with a unique vision & committment to execution of global standards. How has this journey has attracted some of the finest educational brands across the globe to this Gateway of the Arab World and how the UAE is making its case to expand the club of Big 4 to Big 5, when it comes to the growing expanse and landscape of the ever evolving higher education.

**Eric Kamal Hilgendorf**, Associate Dean, New York University
Abu Dhahi

**Dr Abhilasha Singh**, Dean – College of Education, American University in the Emirates

#### KEY TALKING POINTS

America's Open Doors provide one of the finest and fiercest intellectual stimulation when it comes to higher education, which is seen more of a life transformational experience rather than a mere degree acquisition process.

How the United States of America is maintaining its Global Leadership by way of creating & maintaining one of the most enviable Higher Education Systems? It remains a perpetual quest to understand for learners & explorers of all hues.

#### Dr. Karim Chelli,

President, Canadian University Dubai, UAE

#### KEY TALKING POINTS

The land of the Maple Leaf & Wetlands has created one of the finest ecosystems for Higher Education which is an integral element of modern economy. Knowing all about the key facets of the Canadian Higher Education System, the evolutionary journey and the future prospects would be an attractive proposition.

Randa Bessiso, Founding Director - Middle East Centre, Manchester Business School, University of Manchester, Dubai, would be making her observations for the benefit of the participants in her characteristic flamboyance and erudition.

#### KEY TALKING POINTS

The looms of Manchester clothed a sea of humanity in the imperial ages. The unfurling of the Union Jack across the Globe was more out of wars than out of the wisdom accumulated and disseminated by the Knowledge Powerhouse of Greater Britain.

How the United Kingdom is maintaining & expanding its tryst with knowledge would be an interesting and revealing exposition.

#### 15:00-15:15

#### **DEMONSTRATION**

# TECHNOLOGY AS THE PANACEA FOR ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

**Sumit Shukla**, Senior VP, MS Dynamics practice head, Apar Technologies

#### KEY TALKING POINTS

Technology has moved beyond the initial discourse of 'could' and moved to the pedestal of 'should'. The moot point which remains is simply the choice of the appropriate platform(s). What are the key precints of a conventional campus which can be put on the information super highway? How can they be designed & deployed as close to the processes being practiced over the decades so as to create the least resistance in change? This and a lot more shall be a part of this demonstration.

#### 15:15-16:00

#### **IN-DEPTH**

# THE NEW AGE DISRUPTORS OF GLOBAL BUSINESS EDUCATION

**Amanda Peters**, Dean, Hult International Business School, Dubai, would share some of the trends & experiments on this count

#### KEY TALKING POINTS

Hands on rigor is vital to be job-ready which in turn adds to the delivery outcomes of an institution. Internships or Apprenticeships were evolved with this very purpose.

What are the newer frontiers and facetes of Corporate Tie-Ups which ensure that Training during Internships it brought back to the Campus in the form of Projects and eventually end up into successful placements.

**Ehsan Razavizadeh**, Regional Director, MENA, Cass Business School, City University London, Dubai, UAE

#### **KEY TALKING POINTS**

Attracting the Right Students is a key challenge faced by every Global Educational Brands which deploy all intellectual forces at hand as it reinforces back into their brand equity. to lift their brand name and identity and make them much-sought after institutions of learning in the higher education space. What are some of those tactics & tricks which are time tested and testify their temerity time and again.

**Professor Abdul Sattar Ahmad Al-Alusi**, President & CEO, Emirates College for Management and Information Technology, UAE

#### KEY TALKING POINTS

The Data Driven Management style of Marissa Mayer might not have turned around the fortunes at Yahoo, but this is increasingly become the de-facto management paradigm across corporations. The happy marriage of Information Systems with the conventional wisdom of management is leading to the evolution of new and revolutionary programmes in management education.

#### 16:00-16:15

#### **TEA BREAK**

Meeting Tea & Expo visit



#### 16:15-16:30

#### **EXPERIMENTS**

**Pedro Sebastião Teta**, Secretary of State for Information Technology, Coordinator of Executive Committee REMA, Organization:Ministry of Telecommunications and Information Technology, Angola

#### KEY TALKING POINTS

How is Angola using ICT for education & employability

#### 16:30-16:45

#### **VALUES & BRANDING IN EDUCATION**

**Dr Phani Kishore**, Special Secretary, IT Electronics & Communications Department, Government of Andhra Pradesh

#### KEY TALKING POINTS

Use of technology to facilitate spread of education is becoming the trend. The session would highlight key insights from the vast hands on experience in designing & deploying the solutions of Educational eGovernance

#### 16:45-17:30

#### TETE-A-TETE

#### INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION INITIATIVES

**Dr. Rakesh Singh**, Director, Institute of Management Technology -Dubai, Dubai, UAE

#### **KEY TALKING POINTS**

Technology is redefining the entire landscape of Higher Education, more so in the field of management & business. How this landscape is being captured and converted into charismatic educational programmes shall be the focus.

**Professor Christopher Abraham**, Head - Dubai Campus, Sr Vice President - Institutional Development, S P Jain School of Global Management, Dubai

#### KEY TALKING POINTS

Galvanizing Global Enterprises need a much more profound knowledgebase & variegated sensitivity index which can only be imparted through interactions & exposures. The Multi-Campus Management Programmes are catering to this specific emerging need of global behemoths. How this critical Learning is being expounded by way of Collaborative Opportunities would make this an impelling one.

#### 17:30

#### **CLOSURE DAY 1**

# DAY 2 | BALLROOM PART (A) MONDAY | FEBRUARY 08, 2016

#### 09:00-09:20

#### MORNING DELIBERATION

Dr. Antony David Miller, Faculty of Humanities & Business, Skyline University College

KEY TALKING POINT

Bringing the value back to education

#### 09:20-09:45

#### **INSIGHTS**

# NEW AGE PEDAGOGICAL INTERVENTIONS IN TEACHING

**Chandreshekhar DP**, COO, Jain Group Of Institutions **Rita kaul**, Director and Principal, The Millennium School

#### KEY TALKING POINTS

Personalized Learning; Convergence of Academic & Administrative Operations through technology; Education for Children with Specific Needs; Cognitive Learning through Creative Thinking et al

**Dr. Vicki Culpin**, Global Dean of Research, Hult International Business School: Moderator

#### **KEY TALKING POINTS**

More recent research and teaching interests talk about the relationship between sleep and well-being which lead to resilience in populations. How this affects memory is an interesting revelation? This workshop would further explore these intertwined dynamics of the human mind which is so very central to education.

#### 09:45-10:00

#### SPECIAL TALK

**Dr M.K Vajapayee, Advisor**, Himalayan University Presentation by: **Ashok Kumar**, Board Member, Himalayan University

#### KEY TALKING POINT

Globalisaton and industry based education

#### 10:00-10:30

#### **TEA BREAK**

Networking Tea & Expo visit



#### 10:30-11:30

#### **PANEL DISCUSSION**

# EDUCATION FOR HUMAN FULFILLMENT: THE EMERGING GLOBAL EXPERIMENTS & INNOVATIONS

**Professor Yousef Al-Assaf**, President, Rochester Institute of Technology, Dubai

**Dr Sarita Sahini**, President and CEO, The College of Fashion & Design. Dubai

**Denis Ravizza**, Founder - CEO - Managing Director, ESMOD International, Dubai

**Nisrine Abiad**, Director, University Saint Joseph, Dubai **Professor Ranendra N Saha**, Director, BITS Pilani, Dubai Campus, UAE

#### KEY TALKING POINTS

Interdisciplinary Learnings; Invocation of Science & Technology in the erswhile fields of Arts & Humanities; Learning in the Local Languages for fostering innovation; Solving Local Problems in a Globalized Era would form the key focal points of discussion.

#### 11:30-12:20

#### **REVIEW**

# THE EMERGENCE OF MIDDLE EAST AS A COVETED KNOWLEDGE DESTINATION

**Professor Ghassan Aouad**, President, Applied Science University, Kingdom of Bahrain, Bahrain

Barry Winn, Vice-Chancellor, Sohar University, Oman

#### KEY TALKING POINTS

Over the past several years Middle East has emerged as a Coveted Knowledge Destination at par with the best eduDESTINATIONS in the world. An eminent set of intellectuals coming from the various Middle East countries would be sharing the genesis, circumstances and relentless striving which has led to this stature in their wide vivid manner.

#### 12:20-12:30

#### **IN-DEPTH**

# CREATING SUSTAINABLE FINANCIAL MODELS IN HIGHER EDUCATION

**Professor Ammar Kaka,** Head of Campus & Executive Dean, Heriot-Watt University, Dubai, UAE

#### 12:30-12:50

#### SPECIAL ADDRESS

#### **WHY DUBAI**

**Dr Ayoub Kazim**, Managing Director, Dubai International Academic City and Dubai Knowledge Village

#### 12:50-13:30

#### **AWARDS**

# WES 2016 AWARDS FELICITATION ADDRESS

**Dr Ayoub Kazim**, Managing Director, Dubai International Academic City and Dubai Knowledge Village

#### **KEY TALKING POINTS**

Felicitating the Innovative Intervention in Education by way of World Education Awards 2016 to the leading School & Higher Education Institutions of India

#### 13:30-14:30

#### LUNCH

Networking Lunch and Expo visit



#### 14:30-14:40

#### **EXPANDING THE FRONTIERS**

# EXPERIMENTS FROM THE INDIAN OCEAN

Hon. V. Radhakrishnan, State Minister of Education, Sri Lanka

#### **KEY TALKING POINTS**

In the Post Globalization Era, Knowledge Societies would be leading the human frontiers of influence. Countries & Regions are thereby taking up the creation of international higher education hubs as a key tactical priority to take the next leap forward. How the rugged land of rainforest, diverse wildlife and endless beaches having Buddhist antiquities is taking up this goal as an integral part of state policy?

#### 14:40-15:50

#### **TRENDS**

# EXPLORING THE TRENDS & TETHERS OF TRANSNATIONAL EDUCATION

**Ismat Abu Shihab**, Director of MENA Regional Office, Dubai, University of Bradford, Dubai, UAE

#### **KEY TALKING POINTS**

In an increasing Globalized Era, educational tourism has caught the fancy of students for a wide variety of reasons of which gaining a cross cultural & transnational exposure during the student lifecycle remains a dominant one apart from other

baseline considerations. How this increasing Student Mobility can be leveraged by Educational Brands? How the various strategies & data driven approaches can be put to execution to offer inter-disciplinary programmes and thereby attract a sizeable section.

**Nikhil Aggarwal**, CEO, Innovation Society, IT Electronics & Communications Department, Government of Andhra Pradesh

#### KEY TALKING POINTS

Experiments in creating the Sunrise State of Andhra Pradesh as a prominent eduDESTINATION:: The Governance of Education has been greatly facilitated by the invocation of eGovernance frameworks. Governments at all levels are increasingly making the use of technology to ensure the effective delivery of Education across the spectrum.

**Wadiah Atiyah**, CEO, Laureate International Universities, MENA Region

#### KEY TALKING POINTS

Education across levels is getting increasingly transnational with its own local constraints with a Global Voice. The innate human quest is howsoever similar across cultures and geographies. How the Global Educational Brands are taking cognizance of this aspect and incorporating them in their academic ecosystems is a point which shall be explored.

#### 15:50-17:05

#### THE BIGGER PICTURE

#### GLOBAL BEST PRACTICES

Sana saadi, Student American University in Emirates
Ghulam Kareem, Student American University in Emirates
Aisha Suwaid, Student American University in Emirates
Mohamed AlAhbabi, Student American University in Emirates
Fatima AlKhayyal, Student American University in Emirates
K.Lakshmi Rao, Academic Director, Jain Group of institutions
Dr O Aworanti, Registrar/ Chief Executive Officer, National
Business and Technical Examinations Boards, Benin City, Nigeria

#### KEY TALKING POINTS

Drawing the essence of education Best Practices, the session brings forth the enriching education experiences from across the globe.

#### 17:05-17:20

#### **VALEDICTORY ADDRESS**

**Diptiman Das,** CMD, EdCIL, India, EdCIL is the apex Public Sector enterprise under the Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India

#### 17:20

#### **TEA BREAK**

Networking Tea & Expo visit

