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475 youth participate this term in INJAZ work readiness programs INJAZ Qatar launches a second Year in Qatari schools

DOHA – In its venture to prepare Qatari youth to the world of work, INJAZ Qatar launched a second year of operations this week. This term, **475 students** across both independent and government schools are participating in INJAZ courses.

A not-for-profit organization dedicated to preparing the Arab youth to succeed in a global economy, INJAZ Qatar offers hands-on classroom programs presented by private sector volunteers in financial literacy, entrepreneurship and work readiness. INJAZ Qatar is a member of Junior Achievement Worldwide.

INJAZ Qatar is chaired by Sheikha Hanadi Al Thani, Founder & Chairperson of AMWAL, CEO of Al Waab City Real Estate, and Deputy CEO of Nasser Bin Khaled Al Thani Holding Group. “INJAZ is a pioneering organization that connects students to the real world of work, INJAZ is a bridge between companies and schools” says Sheikha Hanadi. “I am pleased to announce the formation of the INJAZ Board for Qatar that includes dedicated and leading representatives from Qatar Financial Centre Authority, HSBC, Exxon Mobil, Deloitte and Touche, Al Khaliji Commercial Bank, Carnegie Mellon University, Arab Engineering Bureau and Blue Saloon. I am thrilled to collaborate with our Board Members in this endeavor to provide a growing number of students across Qatar with essential work readiness and leadership skills” concludes Sheikha Hanadi.

INJAZ Qatar Program Director Fayza Saad also highlights the key value of the private sector: “It is professionals from several major companies in Qatar that deliver INJAZ economic, business and life skills courses to students. Their enthusiasm and expertise is certainly capturing and motivating students across schools. Students are thrilled to meet and learn from real business people” says Saad. “This term, 26 professionals from companies represented on the INJAZ Board of Directors as well as other organizations such as Global Investment House, the Ministry of Business and Trade, Qatar University and Ras Gas are providing Corporate Volunteers to deliver INJAZ courses. We call upon more companies and corporate volunteers to join us in our effort to expand our programs to every school in Qatar” concludes Saad

“This is the second year that INJAZ is working in our school”, says Ms. Noor Al Mutawa, Principal of Al Bayan Secondary Independent School for Girls. “Our students are keen to participate in INJAZ courses that expose them to real life challenges while allowing them to practice business, teamwork and leadership skills. Besides learning about many work related topics, they also learn about themselves and their community. It is a great approach to develop both the skills and personality of young people” concludes Al Mutawa.

Schools participating in INJAZ courses this term include seven Independent schools (Al Bayan Secondary School for girls, Al Iman Secondary School for Girls, Al Ressala Secondary School for Girls, Ruqaya Preparatory School for Girls, Al Wakra Preparatory School for Girls, Doha School for Boys, Omar Bin Khattab Scientific School) and two Government schools (Gharnata School for Girls and Um Salal School for Boys). INJAZ is collaborating with the Supreme Education Council and the Ministry of Education.

Caption for Picture: INJAZ Qatar's First Board of Directors' Meeting

About INJAZ al-Arab

INJAZ al-Arab is a not-for-profit organization committed to inspiring and preparing the Arab youth to succeed in a global economy. INJAZ al-Arab is the regional arm of JA Worldwide® (Junior Achievement), which provides hands-on, experiential learning in financial literacy, entrepreneurship, and work readiness to 8.3 million students annually. With offices in 12 Arab countries – and an extensive international network of partners [from the international and regional private and public sectors] – INJAZ al-Arab mobilizes a global force of business volunteers to teach in-school and after-school programs that give students the tools they need today, to succeed tomorrow. MENA student participation in INJAZ programs for the 07-08 academic year has reached 83 thousand.

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