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## Excellence Sustainability

\* Winning the bid to host Expo 2020 is, in all respects, a historic achievement, whereby our government crowned its magnificent record of marvelous superiority, eligibility to earn respect and confidence, and entitlement of the high status reached thanks to excellence in its performance.

\* The excellence which has been adopted by the leadership as a work approach has created the change movement, made the differences, achieved uniqueness, and then brought about the global achievements and forefront ranks.

\* Excellence has become a lifestyle in the UAE, and thanks to it, this paradigm shift has been made in the phase of empowerment that is led ably by His Highness Sheikh Khalifa bin Zayed Al Nahyan, President of the UAE and His Highness Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum, UAE Vice President and Prime Minister and Ruler of Dubai, and Their Highnesses Supreme Council Members and rulers of the Emirates, to continue the process of construction and development established by the founders of Union, Zayed and Rashid, and the generation of late rulers of the UAE, may Allah have mercy on their souls. Almighty Allah's will allowed celebrating the 42nd National Day at the time the UAE obtained its biggest achievements since foundation.

\* Brainstorming in the exceptional ministerial session allocated for the development of health and education services in the UAE, and the call from "the Unique Leader" His Highness Vice President and Prime Minister and Ruler of Dubai for the community to participate by their suggestions and ideas through HH's networking sites, confirm that the standards of excellence should enter every home and school in the UAE. They also confirm that achieving excellence sustainability necessitates that excellence culture is deeply rooted in the coming generations to be a part of their identity.

\* By virtue of their specialization of education, UAE academic awards, including Hamdan Award, should be in the spotlight in the next stage in relation to the proposals to develop education and improve its performance and output. These awards represent the observatory of the educational field for more than a decade; perhaps they have something useful in this regard.

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Introduction

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**EXPO  
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## Expo 2020 Gains Dubai ... Future is Created Here



**The United Arab Emirates has gained a new international achievement by winning the bid to organize Expo 2020, the biggest and most prestigious world exhibition as Dubai could overcome the competitors in the voting process that took place in the Paris, France. Votes were limited to the Member States in the Bureau International des Expositions (BIE), the responsible authority for organizing the Expos, which controls selecting the hosting countries of Expo which is held every five years. President His Highness Sheikh Khalifa bin Zayed Al Nahyan, in a telephone conversation, has congratulated Vice President and Prime Minister and Ruler of Dubai, His Highness Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum, on Dubai's winning the bid to host Expo 2020.**

His Highness Sheikh Khalifa affirmed that "our joy in the UAE was double by the win as it coincides with the celebrations of the 42nd National Day." He noted that this success was the culmination of the series of successes and great achievements the UAE has been incessantly making since its establishment 42 years ago to remain in the lead in all fields.

His Highness said: "From day one when we submitted our bid

to host Expo 2020, we were fully confident that Dubai deserves to win the bid, and that our country possesses all it takes to successfully organize a unique event that will add a new and outstanding imprint on the Expo series of events."

Dubai received 116 votes out of a total of 165 members of the BIE, after excluding three member states: Costa Rica, Chad, and South Sudan from voting for procedural reasons.

The voting took place in Paris, France at the Organization of Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) conference center.

The vote result was in favor of the UAE's hosting bid, beating bids of cities of Sao Paulo (Brazil), Ekaterinburg (Russia) and Izmir (Turkey). The result was settled in favor of the UAE through the secret ballot, which was limited to the delegates of Member States in the BIE only.

The UAE has achieved a record in the number of votes in the first round by getting 77 votes out of total 162 votes, as three countries have abstained. The Brazilian Sao Paulo left the competition in this round.

Dubai continued its supremacy in the second round by adding ten more votes as the total countries voting in favor of Dubai became 87 countries.

Then Dubai was culminated by winning over Ekaterinburg in



the last round at a total of 116 votes choosing Dubai to host Expo 2020.

Holding Expo 2020 in Dubai at the start of the next decade will coincide with celebrations of the Golden Jubilee of the foundation of the United Arab Emirates. This will be reflected positively on the event deepening its symbolism as the country celebrates the first truly remarkable achievement witnessed by this country. The UAE boom which enabled the country to win the oldest and largest global exhibition stems from this historic agreement which resulted in the establishment of the State of the Union.

UAE Vice President, Prime Minister and Ruler of Dubai His Highness Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum dedicated this achievement to his brethren the UAE President His Highness Sheikh Khalifa

bin Zayed Al Nahyan, who has the credit for the achievement which is unprecedented in the region, Their Highnesses Members of the Supreme Council, Rulers of the Emirates and to the people of the UAE, who participated in making the national honorable epic by supporting the initiative with all possible means.

HH Sheikh Mohammed said: "We congratulate the nation, our president and all people in the UAE on Dubai's winning bid to host the greatest exhibition in the world. I extend my thanks to HH Sheikh Khalifa for his great support, and to every country that voted for Dubai to host Expo 2020. I am proud of our teams who earned this victory for Dubai with two years of hard work, dedication and commitment."

HH expressed his thanks to the people of the UAE for their in-

### **UAE diplomacy shows superiority, and its achievements witness global respect**

### **Sharing ideas and visions, and developing innovative solutions to the service of humanity**

teraction, support, enthusiasm and joy, young and old, women and men, affirming that everyone contributed to the win. His Highness expressed profound appreciation to the countries for their support for the UAE's bid to host Expo saying: "Thanks also to all our brothers from the Gulf and Arab States, who supported our bid, interacted with our file, and got happy for our

happiness".

HH Sheikh Mohammed also affirmed that the UAE is ready to welcome the millions of people who will come from all over the world to visit and participate in Expo at the beginning of the next decade. Thus the UAE will provide the region with an opportunity to regain its historic role amid the people, saying: "In 2020, we will welcome with 25 million visitors from all over the world, promising them to organize the best Expo. We promised to astonish the world. Today we pledge to breathe life into our slogan: we will bring minds together for a better future. Our region is where civilizations meet, cultures mixed and innovations made, and will restore our cultural role by such initiatives."

His Highness, Vice President, Prime Minister and Ruler of Dubai added: "Our joy in the



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### Expo 2020 coincides with UAE celebrations of Golden Jubilee

### New era wherein inhabitants of the region cope with global progress

UAE is double by the win as it coincides with the celebrations of the National Day: the one wherefrom we started and the other whereby we proceed toward the future. In the midst of our joy, we all gather around Khalifa renewing loyalty covenant, and move ahead under the guidance of his leadership toward a new stage of development where our people adds new bright chapters of the epic glory. Winning is priceless, and the achievement is great. We are able to provide a distinguished edition of the oldest exhibition in the world – an edition outperforming all previous editions in terms of preparation quality, effectiveness of potential and accuracy of implementation. We promise the world to achieve that.”

His Highness praised the great role played by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MOFA) under the leadership of His Highness Sheikh Abdullah bin Zayed Al Nahyan, Minister of Foreign Affairs for the enormous efficient and effective efforts exerted by the deferent departments of MOFA supporting the bid submitted by the UAE to host Expo.

MOFA efforts have undoubtedly proved the superiority of the UAE diplomacy, which enjoys wide global respect and appreciation noticed by the result of the ballot as Dubai won the weight percentage of the votes. HH affirmed his pride and gratitude to all the countries that sided with the UAE in this competition.

Sheikh Mohammad thanked the work team tasked with preparing the Expo bid, most notably HH Sheikh Ahmad Bin Saeed Al Maktoum, President of

Dubai Civil Aviation Authority and Chairman of the Higher Committee for Hosting Expo 2020. He expressed his appreciation to all those who supported the UAE. He also thanked members of the committee for their immense efforts, morale and competence.

“We congratulate all members of the Higher Committee for managing this experience with tact, professionalism and positive spirit, appreciating all their

sincere efforts and determination to win. I tell them: you are the pride of the UAE, and this victory will remain a milestone not only in the record of our achievements but in the history of the whole region”, His Highness said.

HH expressed his greeting to all government departments, institutions and bodies as well as to private sector organizations and the general community of the UAE, for their direct and

indirect support to the bid, saying: “We highly appreciate the contribution of all those who participated in support of our country in the way to win. This is what distinguishing us in the UAE, we are always success partners.”

Moreover, His Highness Vice President and Prime Minister and Ruler of Dubai expressed best wishes from the government and people of the UAE, for Sao Paulo (Brazil), Ekaterinburg (Russia) and Izmir (Turkey), and said: “The competition was challenging and the competitors were well-prepared. We wish them all the success in all their future initiatives. We call them with all brotherly and friendly countries to participate in the success of the noble goals of Expo so that we all become partners in making a better future for humanity without differentiation or discrimination.”

HH also asserted that the UAE victory to host the World Expo is a win for the region and the world, and promises a vast region inhabited by about two billion people to come to important development turning point in its history that could open unprecedented horizons that will further enhance the efforts of development and modernization in many countries full of emerging markets, which are fertile basis for development projects in various areas; the thing which paves the way for a new era wherein the inhabitants of this region cope with the global progress, by reason of all opportunities and channels provided by Expo for sharing ideas and visions and developing innovative solutions to the service of humanity and to ensure development and progress.

### Hamdan bin Rashid: UAE to Represent Model for Hosting Expo

His Highness Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum, Deputy Ruler of Dubai and UAE Minister of Finance said that hosting Expo 2020 in Dubai represents a unique opportunity to continue the development and progress of the UAE in general and Dubai in particular.

In his statement, His Highness said: “Hosting Expo 2020 would be even a new accomplishment for the UAE, at the social, economic and development levels.”

HH expressed his confidence that the UAE and the Emirate of Dubai will represent a successful model for hosting events. HH added that having the opportunity to hold Expo 2020 in Dubai will enhance Dubai and the UAE’s position as a major international tourism and trade hub.

His Highness Sheikh Hamdan stressed the determination to gather the whole world on this generous land, to be the prime motivation in the march of connecting minds and creating the future, as the UAE will spare no efforts to mobilize the energies and provide all the techniques and capabilities that can ensure the success of this exhibition, in addition to shedding light on the bright side of Dubai and the UAE being a global hub for money and business.

The Ministry of Finance (MOF) has supported Dubai bid to host Expo 2020 by arranging to promote this huge event through the use of Expo 2020 logo within all strategic plans and projects of the MOF.

Infrastructure, airports, seaports and logistic and technological support..

## Dubai is the center of the world

**The UAE is the third largest re-export market in the world, with more than 9 seaports; the thing which ensures its high position as the largest container terminal. Dubai International Financial Center is home to 18 of the top 25 global banks, 6 out of the 10 top law firms, and 6 of the 10 largest insurers in the world.**

50% of the energy required to run the suites and facilities of 'Dubai Expo 2020' comes from renewable energy sources, and the architectural buildings left from Expo 2020 will be preserved as memorial symbolizing the enhancement of communication among people and bringing about real positive change.

Dubai Metro Red Line will be extended to reach the Expo site, and a new station will be built to serve the exhibition.

The UAE has the logistic capacity sufficient to host Expo 2020 in Dubai, as 80,000 hotel rooms will be ready to provide the best means of comfort for guests.

Dubai has unique and world-class infrastructure in roads and transport sector as the UAE ranked first globally in roads quality, according to the report of the World Economic Forum 'Davos' for 2013 – 2014.

The Expo Live provides new channel to connect innovative projects of different countries with funding sources and partners, allowing the benefit from the expertise and access to markets and users.

The Expo Live includes rich programs consisting of workshops, forums, conferences and meetings around the world to raise awareness, promote sharing knowledge and enhance cooperation. Expo



Live events will be held over the next seven years with the aim of identifying and defining Expo challenges. €100 million euros has been allocated to support different projects of Expo Live which can provide new solutions for mobility, sustainability and opportunities. Application will be available to all countries.

Over the past six years, Dubai government has spent more than 70 billion dirhams to develop the world-class infrastructure in the road and transportation sector.

The UAE ranked first regionally and 11th globally in the field of quality infrastructure for transportation, according to the report of Global Enabling Trade 2012 issued by the World Economic Forum in Switzerland.

Dubai dominates 80% of the exhibitions held in the region which include the Arab region, Gulf and some parts of Asia. The new exhibition center in Al Maktoum Airport would be the largest in the world. It will be built on about three million square meters area and is expected to be completed in 2020.

Expected to be completed by 2020, the capacity of Al Maktoum International Airport will be 12 million tons of cargo annually along with serving 160 million passengers.

According to the International



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**Objectives and values of Expo are consistent with aspirations of UAE leadership and people**

**AED 139 billion  
Dubai expected  
revenues from  
hosting Expo**



Festivals & Events Association, Dubai ranked among the top six cities for the establishment of festivals and events in the world. It is one of the 10 most attractive cities for tourists, as it was visited by more than 9.3 million tourists only last year.

Over the 150-year history of its organization, Expo has never been hosted by any of the Middle East, Africa and Southeast Asia (MEASA) countries.

Organizing Expo in Dubai represents the first time ever in which Expo is organized in the vast MEASA region. Moreover, holding Expo in Dubai will have a significant positive impact on the peoples of the MEASA region.

The World Expo 2020 in Dubai will be a human celebration of new ideas and global partnerships, as it will achieve sustainable benefits for future generations.

Dubai potentials of high-re-

liability infrastructure, huge airports and seaports, logistic support and advanced means of communications and technologies prove Dubai's ability to host Expo 2020.

Objectives and values of the World Expo are consistent with the aspirations of the UAE leadership and people as the UAE will receive the world to mark the cultural diversity and joint achievements during the exhibition.

So far, Dubai has been home to communities from about 200 different nationalities living in complete harmony in one of the world's most secure and stable cities.

Once held in Dubai, Expo 2020 is expected to attract 25 million visitors over the six months, 70% of which will come from outside the UAE. Expo 2020 will contribute to the conclusion of global partnerships with long-term benefits.

The UAE looks forward to

Expo as an important opportunity for gathering intellectuals to provide solutions for the current and future global challenges. Dubai host of Expo 2020 will contribute to strengthening the leading position of the UAE on the world map.

Expo 2020 in Dubai will include many cultural events and shows that will enrich the lively art and cultural scene of the United Arab Emirates. It will form an integrated legacy and source of inspiration for generations to come.

Dubai, and the UAE in general, owns the ability to attract millions of visitors to Expo 2020 as the show will have a positive impact on the region by contributing to the creation of new opportunities to the countries and peoples of the region in a manner exceeding the boundaries of Dubai and the United Arab Emirates.

The period between October 2020 and April 2021 is ideal

for hosting Expo 2020 as it is a distinct period in terms of climate and rich wonderful global events.

Dubai financial returns gained from Expo 2020 are expected to be more than 139 billion dirhams (around €28.8 billion euros).

Dubai Expo 2020 will contribute to the creation of about 280,000 jobs in the UAE, and preserve the sustainability of 1,400,000 jobs regionally in the period from 2013 to 2021. The UAE can be accessed via 4-hour flights from one-third of the world countries and 8-hour flights from two-thirds of the world countries. Hosting Expo 2020 in Dubai will ensure the easiest access for the visitors from all over the world.

Dubai Expo 2020 will create job opportunities for people who live outside the United Arab Emirates, which leads to the growth of the region by young and energetic hands.





**280,000 jobs  
in UAE by 2020**

**UAE is the 3rd  
world largest  
re-export market**

Expo 2020 is an important step in the development process of the United Arab Emirates to achieve the objectives of UAE 2021 Vision, to consolidate the national pride and to strengthen the UAE's position on the global arena.

Dubai Expo 2020 is an important opportunity for young people in the UAE and the region to share views, learn from each other and help shape their common future.

Dubai International Airport ranked third in the world in terms of the number of passengers in 2012 with about 58 million passengers compared to 56.5 million at the beginning of the same year; while Abu Dhabi International Airport served about 12.4 million passengers in 2011.

The UAE is a global hub for trade and logistics. It is the third largest re-export market in the world operating more than 9 seaports, with the largest container terminal

between Rotterdam and Singapore.

In 2011, Dubai hosted about 9.3 million visitors with total revenue at a sum of USD \$4.36. It ranked 9 among the 20 most dynamic and pioneer cities in the world in terms of tourist arrivals and ranked 9 among the top 10 most attractive destinations for starting business. In 2011, the hotel guests in Abu Dhabi exceeded 2.1 million and Sharjah was visited by over 1.5 million tourists. In 2012, the Dubai Mall received more than 65 million visitors.

The youth less than 20 years are 50% of the population of the UAE. Surveyed opinions of young people in 12 Middle Eastern countries in 2012 showed that the UAE is the model that they would like to see their countries follow in terms of growth and development.

The UAE supports the small and medium enterprises

(SME) that make up 95% of the companies registered in the country. SMEs can play an important role in Expo 2020. The UAE ranks 27 globally as per the Global Competitiveness Report.

79% of the UAE's foreign aids are concentrated to support the development programs, and the UAE will allow developing countries to take part in Dubai Expo 2020. Dubai and the UAE have a proven track record of international events, such as meetings of the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank, World Economic Forum, Dubai Airshow, and the Dubai World Cup for horse racing, international tennis tournaments, Art Dubai Exhibition, Dubai International Film Festival, World Future Energy Summit, Grand Prix of Formula 1 and Abu Dhabi Film Festival. Such eventful record supplied Dubai and the UAE with the experience and

resources necessary to host Expo 2020.

The campaign theme "Connecting Minds, Creating the Future" was inspired from the vision and leadership of His Highness Sheikh Khalifa bin Zayed Al Nahyan, and reflects the vision of His Highness Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum, UAE Vice President and Prime Minister and Ruler of Dubai, who said: "Intellectual communication is the best way to progress, success and coexistence for future generations". The UAE looks forward to Expo as an important opportunity for gathering intellectuals to provide solutions for the current and future global challenges.

Furthermore, the United Arab Emirates will celebrate the 50th anniversary of its founding in 2021, and Expo is a unique opportunity to mark the great achievements of this young state.



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**Tens of thousands taking part in hoisting the flag,  
Mohammed bin Rashid:**

## **The Flag is a trust in the hands of future generations to preserve it and enhance its earnings**

Tens of thousands of people in different departments and institutions, schools and even homes took part in the celebration by hoisting the UAE at the same time in response to the national campaign launched by His Highness Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum, UAE Vice President and Prime Minister and Ruler of Dubai on the occasion of Flag Day. Children and adults participated in this event, forming a unique scene across all parts of the UAE, at the same time, to celebrate the flag, consolidate its position and establish its respect.

The United Arab Emirates witnessed historic moments, when

Emiratis and their leadership gathered around the UAE flag, at the same time, chanted with one voice from the bottom of one heart: "The peace is everlasting and the flag lives on, my Emirates".

His Highness Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum led the gathering at the Union House, the very place where the founding fathers hoisted the flag more than 42 years ago declaring that this one flag is the only thing represents all and none but Emiratis.

After raising the UAE flag, Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum, accompanied by Dubai Crown Prince Sheikh

Hamdan bin Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum and Dubai Deputy Ruler Sheikh Maktoum bin Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum, said: "We renew our covenant and promise to the people of the UAE to serve and glorify them, and to sacrifice our souls for the dignity and pride of the country... to be faithful to the flag and consolidate its rank."

Addressing children attending the flag -hoisting ceremony, Sheikh Mohammed said: "Long live our flag ... long live our union ... long live our country", adding: "The flag is a trust we have been entrusted by the founders, it is a trust in the hands of my brother Sheikh

Khalifa, myself, and every citizen ... it is a trust in the hands of future generations to preserve it and enhance its earnings".

Sheikh Mohammed renewed pledge to sacrifice all dear and precious for the elevation of the UAE and the flag, and to provide decent life for the people of the UAE. "The peace is everlasting and the flag lives on" is always our prayers, and we ask God to sustain His goodness, blessing and grace on us," he added.

His Highness Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum along with students watered the Union Tree, which he planted a year ago. Addressing students, he said: "We pledge to work



faithfully for the welfare of our nation and we will be loyal so long as we live... Every citizen at his work, study or camp is a soldier serving the nation which unites and gathers us; it provides us with the motive so that every day is better than the day before, each year is better than the year before, and each achievement is ever better and greater.”

Commenting on people’s huge interaction with the “Flag Day” Campaign, His Highness Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum said: “We are much pleased with people’s interaction with the campaign, and the feelings of our children bodes well for the future of our state, and the campaign we launched for the flag will continue until the second of December”.

His Highness added: “We have set one timing of hoisting the UAE flag to tell all people that we are not emirates; rather, we one country, the United Arab Emirates, and to instill in the coming generations that our flag is the symbol of respect for our country”.

Sheikh Mohammed said: “Our feelings towards our flag have not changed since the Union; rather, days have proved it stronger and more powerful. We feel more at ease and proud to realize the strength of these feelings in our people being moved and motivated to give more in all fields.”

On the other hand, the Ministry of Education (MOE) and all schools in the UAE were keen to be at the forefront of celebrants with the Flag Day. In this regard, His Excellency Humaid Mohammed Al Qatami, Minister of Education cited: “The invitation of His Highness Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum, UAE Vice President and Prime Minister and Ruler of Dubai, instructing his people, institutions and members of society to celebrate the UAE flag, simultaneously with the anniversary of His Highness Sheikh Khalifa bin Zayed Al Nahyan assuming the presidency of the UAE, is an extremely meaningful and direct call to support the bonds of the country in general, and promote the values of loyalty and belonging in the hearts of students in particular”.

HE stressed that the celebra-



**The nation unites and gathers us and provides us with the motive so that every day is better than the day before**

**All chanted in one voice: “The peace is everlasting and the flag lives on, my Emirates”**

tion of the flag is a celebration of pride and high international prestigious position assumed by the UAE globally under the prudent leadership and in light of the wise directives that have optimized living for citizens, and ensured a safe community for everyone, including residents and different nationalities hosted by the UAE in one fabric, under special care of our wise leadership.

The UAE schools participated in the hoisting the flag on their flagpoles at the same time, at 12:00 pm on 6th of November. The headmasters of schools stressed that the Flag Day was performed in the pompous image spreading joy among the students who competed in ex-

pressing love for their country and science appreciation for their flag.

Mr. Ali Mehad Al Suwaidi, Acting Undersecretary of the MOE, accompanied by Fawzia Hassan Gharib, Assistant Undersecretary of Educational Operations and Marwan Al Sawaleh, Assistant Undersecretary of Support Services, were at the forefront of the participants in the flag-hoisting ceremony on the MOE office in Dubai. As well, students took part in saluting the flag in a civilized manifestation, in the presence of a large number of directors of central departments.

Students from different educational zones chanted patriotic and folkloric songs related to the UAE heritage and culture, quoting some of sayings reflecting the originality and culture of the UAE in addition to the values and traditions of the community. School headmasters expressed their gratitude for the kind invitation instructed by His Highness Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum, UAE Vice President and Prime Minister and Ruler of Dubai, inaugurating the comprehensive and ongoing national popular campaign to celebrate the “Flag



Day”.

Moreover, school headmasters stressed that the directives of His Highness, Vice President, are extremely meaningful, promoting citizenship values of in the hearts of UAE citizens in general and students in particular. They said that there are early initiatives accompanied the celebration of the Flag Day to achieve its goals and to support the values of belonging and loyalty among students.

They pointed out that the Flag Day is national event dear to the hearts of the United Arab Emirates nationals. It is a valuable initiative launched by His Highness Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum, who expressed it by his saying: “We want our flag flapping on our buildings, facilities and our institutions”, turning it into a national anniversary eagerly desired by hearts and passed over generations. It is the anniversary of His Highness Sheikh Khalifa bin Zayed Al Nahyan assuming the responsibility for the UAE, and because the flag is the symbol of our strength.

They added that this occasion expresses the unity of the nation, people and land. It represents defending the country’s earnings, sacrifice and exerting efforts in development, to be ambassadors for this young country.

Furthermore, school headmasters said that the celebration of the Flag Day is a wonderful initiative, and that what made it special this year is that it is not restricted to government institutions, but includes private institutions as well, pointing out to their pride of such events and ceremonies that reinforce our country’s history in the hearts of our students and their loyalty to their country.



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Hoisting the national flag on the MOF ..  
Hamdan bin Rashid:  
**The Flag Day Initiative  
Reflects the Citizens'  
Love & Loyalty  
to Leadership**



His Highness Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum, Deputy Ruler of Dubai and UAE Minister of Finance, patron of HH's Award for Distinguished Academic Performance, hoisted the UAE flag at the Ministry of Finance (MOF) headquarters in Dubai, in the presence of His Excellency Obaid Humaid Al Tayer, Minister of State for Financial Affairs, His Excellency Younis Haji Al Khouri, Undersecretary of MOF, assistant undersecretaries and heads of departments, in addition to MOF employees. Moreover,

representatives from the Federal Customs Authority and the General Authority for Pensions and Social Security also participated in this initiative to mark 'Flag Day'.

The MOF participated in the nationwide campaign to mark the 'Flag Day', which takes place on November 3 and coincides with the anniversary of HH Sheikh Khalifa bin Zayed Al Nahyan's accession to the UAE presidency. HH Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum, UAE Vice President and Prime Minister and Ruler

of Dubai, called for the launch of this campaign and during his recent speech.

HH Sheikh Hamdan praised the 'Flag Day' initiative, which is launched by His Highness Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum to reflect the UAE citizens' love and loyalty to the UAE's wise leadership, which is headed by His Highness Sheikh Khalifa bin Zayed Al Nahyan, President of the UAE, a pioneering leader of the UAE's renaissance and its development on a local, regional and international level.

HH added: "We have accomplished many successes and achievements over the past four decades, and invested tremendous efforts in different areas of our society. In fact, none of this would have occurred without the keenness of the wise leadership to mark the UAE as a safe homeland for both nationals and guests and a source of pride for the future generations."

The Ministry's staff in Abu Dhabi also participated in this nationwide campaign and hoisted the flag at precisely the same time.





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# Hamdan Award Celebrates the UAE Flag Hoisting in Al Hudaiba



«Al Tamayoz News» – Dubai Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum Award for Distinguished Academic Performance in collaboration with the National Human Resource Development and Employment Authority (Tanmia), the Community Development Authority (KDA), the Dubai Diabetes Center, and the National Bonds Corporation, hoisted the Union flag at 12:00 pm in the presence of a number of employees and officials. In the courtyard of Al Hudaiba Awards Building, in the presence of a large number of officials and employees of the par-

ticipating institutions, Hamdan Award celebrated the Flag Day on the anniversary of His Highness Sheikh Khalifa bin Zayed Al Nahyan's accession to the UAE presidency, and in implementation of the initiative of His Highness Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum, UAE Vice President and Prime Minister and Ruler of Dubai. His Excellency Abdullah Saeed Ghobash, Chairman of Tanmia Board of Trustees praised the initiative launched by His Highness Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum, UAE Vice President and Prime Minister

and Ruler of Dubai as it unified and gathered official authorities under the Union flag in a great anniversary. He pointed out that the participation of Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum Award for Distinguished Academic Performance besides several official institutions and authorities to celebrate hoisting the United Arab Emirates flag, has strengthened the spirit of cooperation among employees. On the other hand, HE Khaled Al Kamda, Director-General of KDA, expressed his happiness for this gathering which

contributed to the unification of a number of institutions and organizations, and has become an example for the national cohesion under an event centered on cohesion and based upon the Union. HE stressed that this initiative comes in line with the directives of His Highness in uniting the people of the UAE in this great day. He added: "We are lucky with our wise leadership and proud to belong to this generous land; and the UAE flag is the pride and dignity of the country representing the prosperity and progress of the UAE".







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## 42 years of achievements and 'Human' is the core, Educational System.. Modern and Strategic Link between Qualifications and Market

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Within its social policy and development, the United Arab Emirates gave systematic and ongoing attention to develop the educational process in all stages since it was established, because education is one of the essential foundations and pillars for sustainable development and building modern societies, due to the social status assumed by education as one of the main components of the Human Development Index issued by the United Nations.

On December 2, the United Arab Emirates celebrates the 42nd National Day in time educational indicators show remarkable development over the past decades, which is consistent with the UAE policies and interest in developing all elements of educational process because the human being is the core and purpose of development at the same time.

This has been quite evident in the UAE Vision 2021, which aims to make all Emiratis, each in his position, contribute to the construction of their nation, through the development of their knowledge and promotion of innovation principle, development and knowledge economy.

The number of students in the academic year 2012 – 2013 has increased by 3097% hitting 728,918 students, compared to the academic year 1970 – 1971 when they were 22,800 students. The number of schools in 2012 – 2013 also increased by 1624% reaching 1276 schools compared to 74 schools only.

The programs of public, higher and academic education accounted for 21% of the total budget of the federal government in 2014 amounting to AED 9.8 billion, spread over AED 6 billion for public education and the remaining for academic education. Most of this budget will be spent on

programs improving the learning levels of student as well as academic and research excellence, in addition to programs to qualify graduates that would become leaders in their fields and are qualified to meet the needs of the labor market.

The UAE endeavors to provide a variety of options and opportunities to obtain modern education within a policy and strategy framework linking among building the UAE nationals' qualifications, outputs of education, needs of the labor market, and developments and social changes associated with the developments taking place in the UAE in various fields.

Formal education in the UAE began in the 1950s, by many individual initiatives, according to the characteristics and conditions of each society at that point of history. Then, it was followed by increasing the number of the educational missions coming from neighboring countries; the thing which contributed to spread education in some major cities. However, the official educational process had been launched with the establishment of the Federation of the United Arab Emirates, which contributed to start the development and construction stage in various fields. Over the past decades, Education has been the major concern of the government, which adopted the plans and strategies to develop it. Among the government's most important priorities was achieving its objectives to take education to the standard levels whereupon the government leans to achieve its policies and aspirations of the future, in accordance with the best practices and international models that lead to the establishment of modern educational process.

The indicators of education sector for 2011 – 2012 has shown the potential positive developments witnessed by the sector,

particularly in the area of the government's efforts to provide educational infrastructure of high quality. All of the above have been reflected on the large increase in the number of schools and their capacity, as well as the increase in the number of students enrolled in the UAE schools and universities.

The total number of schools in the UAE during 2011 – 2012 amounted to 1,185 schools, including 691 government schools, 483 private schools, 11 applied technology and technical high schools. These schools include 859,224 students, 41,164 classrooms, 57,799 teachers, and 32,921 administration and technical staff.

The number of students per teacher amounted to 14.87, and the number of students per class was 20.87 at all stages.

The official statistics indicate a steady increase in the number of students at various stages of public education, as the number of students increased from 814,729 students in 2010 – 2011, to 859,224 students during the 2011 – 2012, with an increase of 44,495 students.

Regarding the rate of participation in higher education in the UAE, the total number of universities, colleges and institutes in the country amounted to 81, including 3 government universities, 6 colleges, 30 private universities, 30 colleges and 12 institutes. During 2011 – 2012, the total number of students in higher education of government and private institutions reached 196,366 students, while the number of male students in government education was 51,250 students, and their number in private education was 34,829 students, compared to the 75,221 female students in government education, and 35,066 students in private education.

The total of UAE nationals in

the higher education institutions of government and private sector hit 57.98%, while the expatriates represent 42.02% of the total number of students. UAE national students of higher education are centered in government institutions at 65.54%, while, on the other hand, it is noted that expatriate students of higher education are centered in private institutions at 55.71%. The academic year 2011 – 2012 has seen the graduation of 19,257 students from various institutions of higher education.

Furthermore, the indicators reflect the outstanding performance in terms of ensuring enabling children across the country (male and female alike) to complete the primary education stages by 2015. According to these values, the UAE was able to achieve the targeted percentage within the specified time, i.e. before 2015, as well as the presence of sustained growth for the rest of the educational indicators on all elements, whether those relating to the infrastructure or education services, or those relating to the numbers of students, alumni, and other derivative indicators; the thing which proves the successes achieved by the UAE since its establishment in terms of promoting education in all its forms. This also contributed to the increase of growth rates of education indicators at all levels of education. In the period (1990 – 2010), the number of students has increased at annual growth rate of 10.3%, and that was accompanied with an increase in the number of schools by similar rates, as well as an increase in the number of teachers at a rate of roughly 13.3%. The UAE adopted the compulsory education to the 9th grade of primary education to eliminate dropping out conditions of students at this stage, advancing in great strides in providing a seat for every student in the country.



Dr. Al Muhairi: hosting “Expo 2020” in Dubai is bright picture of progress,  
**Hamdan Award Celebrates National Day and Students Weave Love & Loyalty Picture**



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Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum Award for Distinguished Academic Performance launched various activities and programs for its people and staff to mark the 42nd National Day. At the same time, students from Dubai National School weaved a picture embodying love, optimism, success and loyalty. Expressing pride in the 42nd anniversary of the establishment of the UAE, and to show gratefulness for the wise leadership’s great effort in achieving security, stability and prosperity throughout the UAE, Hamdan Award, with its staff celebrated of the National Day in Al Midan Hotel – Dubai, in the presence of HE Dr. Jamal Mohammed Al Muhairi, Vice

Chairman of the Board of Trustees, Secretary-General of the Award and a number of officials. The ceremony began with a speech delivered by HE the Secretary-General, wherein he congratulated HH Sheikh Khalifa bin Zayed Al Nahyan, President of the UAE, HH Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum, UAE Vice President and Prime Minister and Ruler of Dubai, their brethren Their Highnesses Members of the Supreme Council rulers of the Emirates and Their Highness the Crown Princes. Dr. Al Muhairi expressed the pride with the stunning achievements that have been achieved thanks to the Union and the wise leadership. HE touched upon the Award’s initiative in the establishment

of programs supporting Dubai bid in hosting “Expo 2020”, focusing on the importance of the event which gives a bright image on the progress and development state taking place in the UAE; the thing which was reflected positively on the UAE process of comprehensive development in various sectors. The Award organized programs and competitions, especially for the National Day and Dubai bid amid the guests’ joy and pleasure in the victory achieved by Dubai Emirate, which has made great achievements in the era of the Union. Such achievements were the main factors in making excellence and development in many fields, leading to the international prestigious position assumed by the UAE, as well as its intellectual and material infrastructure qualifying Dubai

to lead the region to greater heights in the near future. Based on its objectives in providing various services and activities, and in contribution to the development and improvement of its targeted groups’ performance, Hamdan Award participated in an event organized by private Dubai National School, the winner of Distinguished School for two cycles, on the occasion of the National Day and the campaign supporting Dubai bid. The students cooperated in drawing an expressive weaved picture combining love, optimism, success and loyalty. The Award met and recorded the congratulations of distinguished students and winners from the School, where the students expressed their pride in innovative ways.