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AAU Organizes Environmental Awareness Seminar

In cooperation with the Friends of the Environment Society, Al Ain University of Science and Technology, held an awareness seminar in the AAU's campus in Abu Dhabi. The seminar is on the occasion of the UAE's celebration of the 17th Environment Day under the slogan "Green Economy: Innovation and Sustainability".

Dr. Emad Saad, environmental consultant for the Friends of the Environment Society, discussed three basic areas; power saving, water and waste as which are a priority in environmental work in Abu Dhabi and the UAE as they are directly connected with the individual practices contributing to the protection of the environment.

He warned against what is referred to as "Environmental Credit Crunch" where we are using

up natural resources faster than they are generated.

He also added that in the UAE we may not be only facing an environmental credit crunch, but also contributing to climate change due to the amount of fuel burnt which may greatly affect marine and coastal life.

Further, Saeed called on people to take a stand in order to cease the movement towards the depletion of natural resources. It is every child's right to live in an environmentally safe country. Buildings and homes are responsible for over 57 percent of the carbon print generated by the UAE; therefore, Individuals need to adopt more responsible practices and behavior as well as promote the idea of sustainability in the community. Schools, universities and all relevant parties in the community need to become aware of green practices that would lead to sustainability.

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