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# SDG 4: QUALITY EDUCATION

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### SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOAL 4

# Public Events and Community Education

**DIRECT RESPONSE: YES — PROGRAMMED AND AD HOC PUBLIC EVENTS**

Al Ain University hosts a sustained programme of educational events at its Al Ain and Abu Dhabi campuses for external participants and the wider public. The portfolio includes free regional conferences, public lectures, community educational events, research symposia, workshops, seminars, open days, exhibitions, fairs, cultural activities and volunteering initiatives. Programmed annual series are complemented by ad hoc events responding to emerging educational and community needs. Access is transparent: many events are free or carry no published attendance charge, while selected professional conferences use published registration fees.

**INSTITUTIONAL RESPONSE**

## 1. AAU hosts a continuous public-events and lifelong-learning programme

AAU uses its campuses as public learning venues and knowledge-exchange hubs. External participants are invited through dedicated conference sites, public event and announcement pages, registration links, open days, partner networks and the Deanship of Student Affairs activity programme. Delivery spans keynote lectures, research presentations, skills workshops, professional panels, exhibitions, competitions, community-awareness activities, cultural events and volunteering.

The evidence demonstrates both institutional programming and responsiveness. Numbered annual events, recurring observances, the public events archive and formal activity planning establish a scheduled model. Individual lectures and workshops addressing immediate needs provide the ad hoc dimension. In the 2024 evidence year, AAU hosted major regional and international events alongside local community access at both campuses.

| ***Classification*** | **Institutional evidence** | **External audience** | **Access basis** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *Programmed* | Annual and numbered series, formal activity plan, event archive and recurring campus calendar | Local residents, school pupils, graduates, professionals, researchers and Arab/international university participants | Free/open invitations, registration, or event-specific terms |
| *Ad hoc* | One-off lectures, workshops and seminars responding to current academic, health, economic, legal, technological and social topics | Publicly invited or registered participants, alumni, families, specialists and community groups | Generally free/no charge published; conditions stated per event |

| ***Classification*** | **Institutional evidence** | **External audience** | **Access basis** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *Free events* | 2024 Annual Student Conference explicitly states that there are no participation fees; selected later courses are explicitly free | External academic participants and community learners | Free |
| *Charged events* | The 2024 Global Digital Health Conference published registration pricing | Researchers, doctoral candidates, practitioners and industry stakeholders | Published registration fee |

**Public evidence:** **E01** • **E02** • **E03** • **E04** • **E05** • **E06** • **E11**

**Activities Plan (Second Semester of the Academic Year 2025-2026)**

This unit seeks to activate the students' role in extracurricular college life by organizing events and various scientific, cultural, artistic, sports, and health activities that contribute to the student's academic and extracurricular needs, as well as the development of multiple skills leading to refine his/her character in a positive direction. To achieve these goals, the unit ensures that students have an active role in choosing activities and participating in certain events.

Al Ain Campus:

Abu Dhabi Campus

**The annual student conference of the Association of Deanships of Student Affairs**

"Sustaining the Quality of University Life in light of COP28"

About the Conference

The Annual Student Conference for the Association of Deanships of Student Affairs is organized by Al Ain University, which serves as the headquarters for the Society of Student Affairs Deanship's Management in Arab universities under the Arab Universities Union. All

submitted research papers will undergo peer review by experts in various fields. The conference seeks to attract researchers from students, faculty members and administrative staff in Arab universities. Among its most important goals are:

- Encouraging students to participate in scientific research to develop their skills and promote their capabilities.
- Providing opportunities for the exchange of experiences among students in Arab universities.
- Creating an environment for collaborative work in the field of scientific research.
- Exploring the potentials and talents of young learners in various fields and disciplines.

Conference Venue

The conference will be held at Al Ain University, founded in 2004 and licensed by the Ministry of Education in the United Arab Emirates. The university offers a range of programs across its campuses in Al Ain and Abu Dhabi, covering Engineering, Pharmacy, Law, Education, Humanities and Social Sciences, Business, Communication and Media, and (22) Bachelor's programs, and (8) Master's programs, in addition to the Postgraduate Professional Diploma Program in teaching. All colleges hold international accreditations from reputable scientific institutions.

Conference Topics

1. Attractive Educational Environment and its Importance in Supporting Student Well-being and Enhancing Communication and Dialogue Culture.

2. Artificial Intelligence and its Role in Creating New Opportunities in the Job Market.

3. Health and its role in the lives of university students.

4. Social Media and its Impact on University Students (Pros and Cons).

5. Digital Media and its Role in Supporting Innovation and Entrepreneurship among University Students.

6. Sustainable Development and the Role of University Students in Promoting it.

7. Supporting and Consolidating the National and Arab Heritage and its Role in Promoting and Consolidating the National Identity.

8. The Impact of Volunteer Work on Students' Lives.

9. The Opportunities and Challenges in Universities and after Graduation from students’ perspectives.

Participation Fees

There are no fees for participating in the conference.

Al Ain University Hosting Privileges 1. Compilation of abstracts and conference pack will be provided to all participants.

2. Welcome reception and dinner on the arrival day for all participants.

3. Hosting two students (for (4) nights) with different research papers from each university of member universities in the Society of Student Affairs Deanship's Management.

4. Closing ceremony and dinner for all participants at the end of the conference.

5. Organizing a free tourist day for all participants.

**The 2024 Global Digital Health Knowledge Exchange & Empowerment Conference**

**2024 gDigiHealth.KEE Conference**

The gDigiHealth.KEE Conference is the Annual Global Academy for Digital Health Conference that is envisioned to become a global forum for knowledge exchange of the state-of-the-art research and development in digital health technologies, and for enabling and empowering stakeholders engaged in enriching and enhancing the patient healthcare journey.

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The 2024 gDigiHealth.KEE Conference seeks to attract distictive submissions of research papers, doctoral research proposals, and workshops/tutorial proposals in various digital health research and development areas. In particualr, the 2024 gDigiHealth.KEE Conference is aimed at addressing unmet needs of digital healthcare strategy and policymakers, and providing accessibility to next generation novel digital healthcare research and development output in the following areas:

- AI and the Patient Journey
- Digital Pathology Technologies Frameworks, Processes, and Technologies

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- Epigenetics digital processes, methods, and frameworks
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- Digital Health Standards
- Quality of Life (QoL) Modelling for NCDs
- Data Analytics Methods and Approaches to Digital Healthcare
- Digital Healthcare Frameworks for Caring for People with Disabilities
- Telemedicine & Intelligent Digital Platforms
- Robotics-enabled Surgery
- Clinical Cancer Informatics
- Digital Tumor Boards, Methods and Technologies
- Digital Health Knowledge Management, Methods, and Technologies
- Healthcare Quality Governance and Change Management with Digital Health
- Information Strategy & Architecture for Digital Health
- Process architectural frameworks for Digital Health
- Legal, Social, Ethical, and Professional (LSEP) for Digital Health

CONFERENCE DIGITAL HEALTH WORKSHOPS

1. AI & Clinical Radiology

2. Digital Pathology & AI

3. Robotics-Assisted Orthopaedic Surgery

4. Cancer Epigenetics: Methods & Challenges 5. Smart Hospitals, Process Architecture & Workflow Modelling

6. Data Analytics for Speech, Language & Hearing Disorders

7. Digital Pharmacovigilance

8. Pharmacy Automation and Informatics Workshop

Conference Digital Health Exhibition

Selected key leading leading international digital health technology providers are being appointed to run an introduction of their innovation in plenary sessions and demonstrate their key digital health technologies products in the state of the art 2024 gDigiHealth.KEE Conference Exhibition. Interested leading digital health technology providers can visit the conference Corporate Sponsorship Packages Section.

## 1.1 Access and cost classification

AAU's free event pathway is publicly verifiable: the 2024 Annual Student Conference expressly stated that participation carried no fee. Open Week and the Career Development and Training

Fair were issued as public invitations, with attendance or registration routes and no attendance charge published. Selected professional events operate differently; the Global Digital Health Conference used published registration fees. AAU therefore provides substantial free public learning while also hosting specialized registration-based conferences.

**Public evidence: E06 • E11 • E14 • E16 • E17**

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**AAU CAREER DEVELOPMENT & TRAINING FAIR**

Alumni Office Invite you to attend the

AAU CAREER DEVELOPMENT & TRAINING FAIR

Al Ain Campus With the participation of a number of

LEADING INSTITUTIONS IN THE UAE

Thursday, 22 February 2024 - 12:00 P.M. - 4:00 P.M.

Al Ain Campus - Sport hall

To attend, please register on the link

https://t.ly/JsUx6

**AAU Open Week**

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**PROGRAMMED DELIVERY**

## 2. Recurring series establish a programmed institutional calendar

AAU's public-event provision is institutionalized through formal planning, dedicated event and conference platforms, and recurring annual or numbered series. The continuity of these series demonstrates planned delivery rather than isolated activity.

| ***Programmed series*** | **2024 evidence** | **Demonstrated continuation** | **Educational contribution** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *Annual Student Conference for Arab Universities* | 2024 conference at AAU; no participation fees; 54+ presenters from eight Arab countries | Annual Student Forum continued in 2026 with 120 researchers | Research, AI, health, sustainability, heritage, volunteering and graduate skills |
| *Health and Biomedical Postgraduate Symposium* | Second edition, 8 February 2024; 179 hybrid participants | Third edition in 2025; fourth edition in 2026 with Monash University | Health, pharmacy, nutrition, public health, AI and research skills |
| *Environmental Day* | Seventh annual edition in 2024 | Eighth in 2025 and ninth in 2026 | Climate finance, sustainability, zero waste and circular economy |
| *Open Days and Open Week* | Open Week at both campuses, 3–10 July 2024 | Continued public open-day programme in 2025 | Programme information, campus learning and family guidance |
| *Professional and career events* | Career Development and Training Fair, 22 February 2024 | Summits, conventions and virtual professional development in 2025 | Employability, professional knowledge and industry connections |
| *Community-awareness calendar* | Health, tolerance, environment and other public-interest events | Repeated annual observances and current activity plan | Preventive health, civic knowledge, inclusion and culture |

**Public evidence:** **E04** • **E05** • **E06** • **E09** • **E16** • **E18** • **E34** • **E35** • **E36** • **E38**



**AAU organizes the 7th Annual Environmental Day 2024**

The College of Business at Al Ain University recently held its Seventh Annual Environmental

Day under the theme "Climate Change and its Impact on Economic Development in the 21st Century". The event was organized jointly by Dr. Mosab I. Tabash, Dr. Shorouq Eletter, and Dr. Tahira Yasmin. The University's president, Prof. Ghaleb El Refae, presided over the event, which was attended by deans, faculty from other colleges, staff, and students. The event's primary objective was to raise awareness about the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals, specifically SDG4, SDG7, and SDG13. Different views from experts, academicians, students, and researchers enriched the day. The event began with a welcome speech by Dr. Zafar Husain, Dean of the College of Business. He discussed the College's role in promoting sustainability, ethics, and corporate social responsibility in Business.

During the Environmental Day event at Al Ain University, the speakers shared their insights about environmental sustainability and climate change. Aisha Al Mazroui, Project Manager of the Sustainable Campus Initiative from the Environmental Agency- Abu Dhabi (EAD), talked about the different initiatives EAD took and encouraged students to participate in their activities to help create a clean and green environment. Dr. Tahira Yasmin from Al Ain University discussed the "Degrowth Strategy" for Combating Climate Change Challenges globally and in the UAE, highlighting the cost of climate change to economic development.

For the first time on Environmental Day, a student-to-student panel discussion took place where students discussed the relationship between climate change and economic development. They concluded that climate change poses multifaceted challenges to economic growth, such as disrupting agricultural productivity, leading to food shortages and price volatility.

All University colleges participated in the event by setting up booths reflecting their commitment to protecting the environment. Additionally, a plantation drive for Ghaf trees was conducted on the university premises, sponsored by Barari Natural Resources, with the participation of the AAU President, faculty members, and students.



Al Ain University is part of the Sustainable Campus initiative supervised by the Abu Dhabi Environmental Agency and has ranked high in UI Green Metric World University Ranking, Sustainability Ranking, and Impact Ranking. The University is increasingly focusing on addressing urgent environmental issues.

**Empowering Postgraduate Research and Innovation through International Collaboration**



**120 Researchers Discuss Artificial Intelligence Developments at Al Ain University’s Annual Student Forum**

Under the patronage and in the presence of Sheikha Dr. Shamma bint Mohammed bin Khalid Al Nahyan, Al Ain University launched the Second Annual Student Conference of the Association of Deanships of Student Affairs, affiliated with the Association of Arab Universities, under the theme “Artificial Intelligence Without Limits… Students’ Journey Toward the Future.” The conference was held from 25 to 29 January 2026.

The conference featured more than 120 researchers who presented over 120 papers, representing 26 universities across 10 Arab countries: the United Arab Emirates, Kuwait, the Sultanate of Oman, Jordan, Syria, Palestine, Iraq, Morocco, Tunisia, and the Arab Republic of Egypt. This participation reflected the growing Arab academic engagement in artificial intelligence and student scientific research.

The conference featured a comprehensive scientific program, including specialized seminars, scientific sessions, and motivational workshops delivered by a distinguished group of researchers, academics, and experts. The program focused on highlighting the latest applications and research trends in artificial intelligence, while enhancing students’ research, innovation, and future-readiness skills.

In her opening address, Sheikha Dr. Shamma bint Mohammed bin Khalid Al Nahyan expressed her pleasure at participating in the conference, emphasizing the delicate balance within a “world without limits,” and noting that the future is no longer something to be awaited but something being shaped in the present moment. She explained that the concept of “without limits” in artificial intelligence does not imply the absence of boundaries, but rather the removal of barriers between reality and possibility. She stressed that while machines possess speed and data, humans possess wisdom and conscience, underscoring the importance of ethics and humanity in guiding technological advancement so that artificial intelligence remains a tool that serves humanity rather than burdens it.

Prof. Ghaleb Al Refae, President of Al Ain University, stated that the second annual student conference reflected the University’s commitment to supporting student scientific research and strengthening students’ role in anticipating the future and contributing to knowledge production. He emphasized that artificial intelligence has become a core pillar in advancing higher education systems and building human capacities for innovation and competitiveness. He added that hosting this conference reaffirmed the University’s dedication to providing an interactive scientific platform that brings together students



and researchers from Arab universities, fostering knowledge exchange and academic integration in support of sustainable development.

For her part, Prof. Ibtehal Abu Rezeq, Vice President of Al Ain University for Development and Follow-up, Dean of Student Affairs, and Secretary-General of the Association of Deanships of Student Affairs, explained that the conference served as a high-quality platform for empowering students to utilize artificial intelligence tools in scientific research and creative thinking. She noted that preparing future-ready generations requires integrating academic knowledge with

practical application, while strengthening analytical and innovation skills. She further highlighted that the diversity of research papers and participating Arab universities reflected growing awareness of the importance of artificial intelligence in addressing educational and societal challenges, and reaffirmed the conference’s role in supporting student and research excellence across the Arab world.

The conference structure aligned with global trends toward digital transformation and the adoption of artificial intelligence as key drivers of sustainable development and the knowledge economy. Artificial intelligence was highlighted as a fundamental pillar in advancing higher education, empowering students with future-oriented tools, and enhancing their capacity to develop innovative and intelligent solutions to societal and economic challenges. The conference also underscored the importance of investing in young talent and preparing them for active participation in technological advancement, in line with global developments and the Arab world's strategic priorities.

**PROGRAMMED CLASSIFICATION**

The seventh, eighth and ninth editions of Environmental Day; the second, third and fourth Health and Biomedical symposia; recurring open days; and annual student research forums provide dated evidence of continuing, planned event series. AAU also publishes a Student Affairs Activities Plan and maintains searchable public event and conference archives.



**REGIONAL PUBLIC LEARNING**

## 3. Free Annual Student Conference serving universities across the Arab world

AAU hosted the Annual Student Conference of the Association of Deanships of Student Affairs in Arab Universities on 19–20 February 2024, followed by a hosted cultural day on 21 February. AAU is the headquarters of the Association's student-affairs society under the Association of Arab Universities. The conference sought contributions from students, faculty members and administrators across Arab universities and expressly stated that there were no participation fees.

More than 54 university students from eight Arab countries presented research at AAU. Conference themes connected academic knowledge directly to society: attractive educational environments and student well-being; artificial intelligence and employment; health; social media; digital media, innovation and entrepreneurship; sustainable development; national and Arab heritage; volunteering; and university and post-graduation opportunities. Peer review, research presentation, collaborative work and experience exchange gave external participants concrete opportunities to develop skills and knowledge.

| ***Public-access evidence*** | **AAU provision** |
|---|---|
| *Venue* | Al Ain University |
| *Dates* | Conference: 19–20 February 2024; hosted cultural day: 21 February |
| *External reach* | More than 54 presenters from eight Arab countries |
| *Eligible participants* | Students, faculty members and administrative staff from Arab universities |
| *Participation fee* | No fees for participating in the conference |
| *Languages* | Arabic or English |
| *Participant support* | Conference pack, hosted reception, accommodation for eligible university delegates, closing programme and free tourist day |

***SERVICE TO THE ARAB WORLD***

*This conference is AAU's clearest 2024 evidence of regional lifelong learning: it brought external learners from eight Arab countries onto the AAU campus, removed the participation fee, exchanged research and practice, and addressed skills, knowledge, well-being, innovation, volunteering, sustainability and Arab*

*heritage.*

**Public evidence: E06 • E07 • E08**



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Under the patronage of Her Highness Dr. Shamma bint Mohammed bin Khalid Al Nahyan, the Chair of the Board of Trustees of the Sheikh Mohammed bin Khalid Al Nahyan Cultural and Educational Institutions, Al Ain University represented by the Deanship of Student Affairs, in collaboration with the Tolerance club, organized the Annual Student Conference of the Association of Deanships of Student Affairs 2024

from February 19 to 21, 2024, under the theme: "Sustainability of University Life in Light of COP 28."

The conference attracted over 54 student researchers from eight Arab countries, including the United Arab Emirates, Oman, Qatar, Egypt, Jordan, Palestine, Lebanon, and Iraq. The conference covered various topics, including basic medical sciences, sustainable development and the role of university students in promoting it, artificial intelligence and its role in creating

new job opportunities, and digital media and its role in supporting innovation and entrepreneurship among university students.

The opening ceremony was attended by Her Highness Dr. Shamma bint Mohammed bin Khalid Al Nahyan, who expressed her delight at being present at Al Ain University, emphasizing the humanitarian, academic, and cultural significance of the institution. She stated, "The theme of this year's conference, 'Sustainability of University Life,' presents significant challenges as it reflects the importance of the role universities play in achieving sustainable development and ensuring the quality of students' future and well-being." She highlighted the importance of scientific research, encouraging students to participate in



initiatives and adopt a lifestyle that supports sustainability through their consumption choices and involvement in research focused on sustainability. She added, "Sustainability is not just a goal we seek to achieve but an ongoing journey of learning and development."

The opening ceremony was also attended by His Excellency Prof. Amro Ezzat Salama, the Secretary-General of the Association of Arab Universities, Dr. Noor El-Deen Atatreh, Vice-Chairman of the Board of Trustees, Prof. Ghaleb Al Refae, President of Al Ain University, university presidents from Arab countries, Al Ain University professors, and participating students.

Dr. Noor El-Deen Atatreh, emphasized Al Ain University's commitment to preparing a new generation of high-level researchers, enhancing their research capabilities and scientific writing skills in line with the vision of the UAE, which supports scientific research and encourages youth innovation and creativity. He commended the university's efforts in organizing scientific conferences, cultural workshops, and creating an integrated educational and cultural environment.

Prof. Ghaleb Al Refae, highlighted the distinctive feature of this conference, which lies in the participation of students. He emphasized the general importance of scientific research and its specific significance for university students in terms of enhancing their knowledge, skills, and gaining new experiences in various fields. He expressed gratitude to all those involved in organizing the conference and the participating students, stating that their involvement in such conferences is a valuable asset. He affirmed Al Ain University's commitment to organizing more conferences focusing on scientific research and promoting student participation at the local, Arab, and global levels.

Prof. Ibtehal Abu Rezeq, Vice-President of the University for Development and Follow-up Affairs, Dean of Student Affairs, and the Secretary-General of the Association of Student Affairs Deans, noted that organizing this conference is part of Al Ain University's commitment as the headquarters of the Association of Student Affairs Deans in Arab universities affiliated with the Association of Arab Universities. The aim is to support researchers and scientific research while encouraging students to engage in research and innovation. She added that the conference aims to encourage students to participate in scientific research, developing their skills, refining

their capabilities, providing opportunities for exchanging experiences among Arab university students, creating an environment for collaborative student work in scientific research, and exploring the potential and talents of young students in various fields and domains.



**CONFERENCES AND RESEARCH EXCHANGE**

# 4. Research symposia and global knowledge exchange hosted at AAU

## 4.1 Second Health and Biomedical Postgraduate Symposium

On 8 February 2024, AAU's Abu Dhabi campus hosted the second Health and Biomedical Postgraduate Symposium. The event combined international keynotes, sponsor exhibitions, poster presentations, a Three-Minute Thesis competition, parallel oral and online poster sessions, prizes and a career panel on industry, academia and entrepreneurship. Speakers included researchers from New York University Abu Dhabi and Queensland University, Australia. Thematic sessions covered pharmaceutical, clinical and health sciences, nutrition and food science, drug discovery, biotechnology, pharmacy practice and artificial intelligence in biomedical engineering.

The University's fourth-edition conference site records 179 virtual and in-person participants in the 2024 edition, demonstrating substantial access beyond AAU's own student body. The same public record documents growth to more than 150 submissions from 60 universities in 2025 and a fourth edition with Monash University in 2026.

**Public evidence: E09 • E10 • E36**

**AAU organizes the 2nd AAU Health and Biomedical Postgraduate Symposium**



The College of Pharmacy at Al Ain University organized the second AAU Health and Biomedical postgraduate Symposium at Abu Dhabi Campus. More than 100 postgraduate students from 10 Arab and foreign countries participated, presenting over 120 research papers.

The symposium included diverse lectures, group discussions, scientific and social activities, and cultural games. It provides an opportunity for postgraduate students to enhance their scientific knowledge, develop skills, explore various career opportunities, interact with experts, and expand their professional network through the postgraduate student research competition. The competition covers several fields, including health and medical sciences, pharmacy and drug discovery, artificial intelligence in health sciences, medical engineering, nutrition and food

sciences, pharmacy practice, and clinical sciences. The student research competition consists of three categories: oral presentations, poster presentations, and a three-minute thesis competition.

Al Ain University students won 8 awards in various research fields. Additionally, Dubai Medical College for Girls received 6 awards, the United Arab Emirates University received 5 awards, and 4 awards each went to the Jordan University of Science and Technology and Abu Dhabi University. The University of Sharjah secured 3 awards, while the Gulf Medical University and Qatar University each received 2 awards. The Arab University of Beirut, Hashemite University in Jordan, Ajman University, Khalifa University, Egypt International University, and Al-Zarqa University in Jordan each received one award.

Prof. Ghaleb Al Refae, the AAU President, emphasized that the university places great importance on scientific research and encourages students, especially postgraduate students, to produce scientific research and work on publishing it in reputable scientific journals. He highlighted that scientific research enhances students' skills for their future careers. He also affirmed that Al Ain University has been keen on establishing several research centers and scientific laboratories to support research activities.

In turn, Prof. Mohammed Ghattas, Dean of the College of Pharmacy at Al Ain University, highlighted the role played by the university's administration in supporting students through organizing conferences and workshops. These initiatives contribute to enhancing students' skills and provide them with opportunities to build relationships with individuals who share common interests in their fields of work.

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## 4.2 Global Digital Health Knowledge Exchange and Empowerment Conference

From 24 to 26 September 2024, AAU jointly organized the Global Digital Health Knowledge Exchange and Empowerment Conference with the Global Academy for Digital Health, UK, alongside IEEE and Dubai Health Authority. Hosted in Abu Dhabi with AAU venues identified throughout the programme, the conference functioned as a global forum for researchers, doctoral candidates, practitioners, policymakers, technology providers and other stakeholders.

The programme included seven keynotes, plenary panels, eight workshops, six research-presentation tracks, a public doctoral-consortium showcase, an Arduino competition, the Technology Innovation in Health Exhibition and a blood-donation campaign. Topics included

artificial intelligence, digital pathology, smart hospitals, disability inclusion, telemedicine, robotics-assisted surgery, clinical cancer



informatics, digital pharmacovigilance, pharmacy automation and ethics. The conference published registration pricing, so it is classified as a charged professional event rather than a free community event.

**Public evidence: E11 • E12 • E13**

**Al Ain University Organizes the Global Digital Health Conference - Knowledge Exchange and Empowerment**

Al Ain University organized the "Global Digital Health Conference - Knowledge Exchange and Empowerment" at its Abu Dhabi campus from September 24 to 26, 2024. The event was organized in collaboration with the Global Academy of Digital Health in the UK, with the support of the Dubai Health Authority and the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE).

The opening ceremony of the conference was attended by Professor Amjad Qandil (representing the Commission for Academic Accreditation - Ministry of Education), Dr. Noor Al Deen Atatreh (Vice Chairman of Al Ain University's Board of Trustees), Prof. Ghaleb El Refae (President of Al Ain University), Professor Mohammed Oudah (President of the Global Academy of Digital Health in the UK), and Professor Ismail Matalqa (President of Ras Al Khaimah Medical and Health Sciences University), alongside several prominent figures from various universities, medical centers, and institutions. The conference also saw participation from a large number of academic and economic elites, faculty members, specialists, and a group of enthusiasts and followers in the scientific field.

The conference aimed to meet the strategic needs of digital healthcare and policymakers by providing opportunities to access the latest outputs of research and development in innovative digital healthcare.

The event featured a series of keynote speeches focusing on digital health foresight, specialized workshops, and the presentation of outstanding research papers. Additionally, a dedicated PhD research forum was held in this vital field. The conference also included an exhibition showcasing leading providers of digital healthcare services and products.

In a special statement to Emirates News Agency, Professor Mohammed Oudah (President of the Global Academy of Digital Health in the UK) said: "The Academy is the sponsor and founder of the Global Digital Health Conference worldwide, and this is the first time the conference is being held in the Middle East

and North Africa. The field of digital health is very promising, and we expect it to help bridge the gap in providing healthcare to everyone, everywhere around the world."

He added, "The conference includes a group of doctors and scientists affiliated with the Academy who have developed workshops on the use of robotics in orthopedic surgeries and joint replacements of the knee and hip. We will also present our experience in collaboration with Gilmer in France in a workshop on using artificial intelligence to identify fractures."

Professor Oudah continued, "The conference will highlight key digital applications in pathology, mythology, smart hospitals, and pharmaceutical operations management, with the participation of our colleagues from Cleveland Clinic Abu Dhabi. The event will also focus on scientific research and development. We look forward to achieving scientific research outcomes that serve humanity through the formation of research and scientific teams from each workshop. We appreciate Al Ain University's efforts in hosting this conference, which is the first of its kind in the region."

On his part, Prof. Ghaleb El Refae (President of Al Ain University) affirmed, "The convening of the 'Global Digital Health Conference - Knowledge Exchange and Empowerment' at Al Ain University reflects our firm commitment to supporting innovation and contributing to shaping the future of digital healthcare. In collaboration with our partners, we aim to make a tangible impact on research and development in this important field."

He added, "This conference is an exceptional opportunity to exchange ideas and expertise, and explore the latest innovations and technologies that will transform healthcare as we know it today. We are confident that the discussions and workshops during this event will help drive technological advancements in the healthcare sector and enhance the capabilities of both local and international talents to keep pace with global developments."

**Al Ain University Hosts Technology Innovation in Health Exhibition**

The Deanship of Student Affairs at Al Ain University (Abu Dhabi campus) organized the Technology Innovation in Health Exhibition alongside the Global Digital Health Conference – Knowledge Exchange and Empowerment, organized by Al Ain University at Abu Dhabu Campus in collaboration with the Global Academy of Digital Health (GA4DH).



The exhibition saw extensive participation from various organizations, including medical and trading companies such as Tech Maze General Trading, Abu Dhabi Medical Devices Company, and Al Jaber Optical, among others.

The aim of the exhibition was to highlight the latest medical technologies and digital health innovations, providing a unique platform for companies to highlight their innovations to a select audience of researchers and specialists in the field.

The exhibition also offered participants the opportunity to expand their networks and forge new partnerships with both local and international entities, contributing to the advancement and innovation in digital health. Spanning two days, the event received a warm reception from the local community and students, with attendees praising the efforts of the organizers and exhibitors.



**OPEN PUBLIC ACCESS**

# 5. Open days, career fairs, innovation and public campus access

## 5.1 Career Development and Training Fair

The Alumni Office issued a public invitation to attend the AAU Career Development and Training Fair at the Al Ain campus sports hall on 22 February 2024, from 12:00 to 16:00. Attendance was enabled through a published registration link, and the fair brought leading institutions in the UAE into the University. This created an open channel for graduates and other registered participants to access career knowledge, employers, training providers and professional-development opportunities.

**Public evidence: E14 • E15**

**Al Ain University Exhibition for Professional Development and Training reveals new horizons for professional success**

The Alumni Office at both the Al Ain and Abu Dhabi campuses organized the fourth edition of Al Ain University's Career Development and Training Exhibition. This initiative aligns with the office's goals of fostering collaboration with governmental and private institutions to provide training programs and job opportunities for the university's graduates and students.

Over 30 governmental and private entities participated in the exhibition at both locations. The institutions offered a variety of activities, including on-the-spot interviews, collection of resumes from Al Ain University graduates, resume editing tips, as well as providing training and volunteering opportunities for graduating students. Job opportunities were also presented for graduates actively seeking employment.

Human Resources unit managers from the participating organizations emphasized the significance of the exhibition for students and graduates. It provides them with a deeper understanding of the job market, the skills required by each company, and the future career opportunities available. The exhibition witnessed a substantial turnout from both graduates and students expected to graduate soon.

## 5.2 Open Week at both campuses

AAU invited high-school graduates and their families to both Al Ain and Abu Dhabi campuses from 3 to 10 July 2024. Visitors could explore academic programmes, scholarships and discounts, use published inquiry channels, meet University representatives and experience the learning environment. Open Week



is a recurring public-facing route that combines introductory education, campus access and family guidance.

*AAU's 2024 Open Week public invitation welcomed external visitors to both campuses.*

**Public evidence: E16 • E17**

## 5.3 Innovation Day

Innovation Day: Uniting Minds to Drive Sustainable Solutions added an interactive innovation and sustainability event to the 2024 calendar. Its public event and news records demonstrate AAU's use of exhibitions, demonstrations and collaborative problem-solving to connect academic creativity with sustainable community solutions.

**Public evidence: E20**

**Innovation Day: Uniting Minds to Drive Sustainable Solutions**



In collaboration with the Innovation and Entrepreneurship Center, the College of Business at AAU (AD Campus) organized “Innovation Day” under the supervision of Dr. Wejdan Farhan and the faculty members of the innovation courses. AAU Vice President Prof. Amer Qasim attended the event and began with a welcoming speech from the Deputy Dean of the College of Business, Dr. Iffat Sabir. Following the opening, attendees toured an exhibition showcasing student projects in an interactive format. Each student group presented an innovative project that combined creativity with practical application, featuring physical prototypes aimed at sustainable solutions. The exhibition sought to promote creativity-based learning by highlighting AAU students’ creative solutions and demonstrating their potential to tackle real-world sustainability challenges.

The event also included a seminar led by a guest speaker from Sandooq Al Watan, who provided students with valuable insights into sustainable innovation. The seminar covered

current trends, challenges, and the impact of innovative practices on sustainable development.

Through the exhibition and seminar, participants gained a deeper understanding of sustainable innovation, equipping them with actionable knowledge to apply in their fields and benefit their communities.



**COMMUNITY EDUCATIONAL EVENTS**

# 6. Recurring environmental, health and cultural education

## 6.1 Environmental Day: seventh annual edition in 2024

AAU delivered its seventh Annual Environmental Day in 2024, confirming that environmental education is a scheduled series. The event follows earlier editions that brought external experts from environmental authorities and industry onto campus for workshops, presentations and practical activities. Continuation is explicit: AAU held its eighth edition in 2025 on climate finance and environmental sustainability and its ninth edition in 2026 on zero waste and the circular economy.

*AAU Environmental Day in action: practical campus participation and an expert educational session from the recurring series.*

AAU organizes the 7th Annual Environmental Day 2024 The College of Business at Al Ain University recently held its Seventh Annual Environmental Day under the theme "Climate Change and its Impact on Economic Development in the 21st Century". The event was organized jointly by Dr. Mosab I. Tabash, Dr. Shorouq Eletter, and Dr. Tahira Yasmin. The University's president, Prof. Ghaleb El Refae, presided over the event, which was attended by deans, faculty from other colleges, staff, and students. The event's primary objective was to raise awareness about the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals, specifically SDG4, SDG7, and SDG13. Different views from experts, academicians, students, and researchers enriched the day. The event began with a welcome speech by Dr. Zafar Husain, Dean of the College of Business. He discussed the College's role in promoting sustainability, ethics, and corporate social responsibility in Business. During the Environmental Day event at Al Ain University, the speakers shared their insights about environmental sustainability and climate change. Aisha Al Mazroui, Project Manager of the Sustainable Campus Initiative from the Environmental Agency- Abu Dhabi (EAD), talked

about the different initiatives EAD took and encouraged students to participate in their activities to help create a clean and green environment

Dr. Tahira Yasmin from Al Ain University discussed the "Degrowth Strategy" for Combating Climate Change Challenges globally and in the UAE, highlighting the cost of climate change to economic development. For the first time on Environmental Day, a student-to-student panel discussion took place where students discussed the relationship between climate change and economic development. They concluded that climate change poses multifaceted challenges to economic growth, such as disrupting agricultural productivity, leading to food shortages and price volatility. All University colleges participated in the event by setting up booths reflecting their commitment to protecting the environment. Additionally, a plantation drive for Ghaf trees was conducted on the university premises, sponsored by Barari Natural Resources, with the participation of the AAU President, faculty members, and students. Al Ain University is part of the Sustainable Campus initiative supervised by the Abu Dhabi Environmental Agency and has ranked high in UI Green Metric World University Ranking, Sustainability Ranking, and Impact Ranking. The University is increasingly focusing on addressing urgent environmental issues.

**9th Annual Environmental Day Highlights Zero Waste as a Driver of Sustainability and Circular Economy**

The College of Business at Al Ain Campus organized the “9th Annual Environmental Day 2026” under the theme “Zero Waste as a Practical Engine for Sustainability and Circular Economy: Insights from Sustainable Development Goal 12,” reaffirming its commitment to integrating sustainability into education and institutional practices.

The event was inaugurated by the University President, Prof. Ghaleb El Refae, in the presence of deans, faculty members, administrative staff, and students. In his remarks, he emphasized the importance of adopting practical solutions to reduce waste and advance sustainability. He also toured student-led sustainable SME projects that reflected innovative efforts to support the circular economy. Prof. Zafar Husain, Dean of the College of Business, highlighted the necessity of aligning academic curricula with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals, particularly Goals 8, 9, and 12, to prepare environmentally responsible future generations.

The program featured distinguished speakers from government and industry who addressed key issues related to waste management, the circular economy, and the role of artificial intelligence in accelerating

sustainability transformation. Activities included a recycling workshop in which students repurposed obsolete furniture into functional products, as well as a plantation drive held on campus.

This initiative aligns with the Sustainable Campus program under the supervision of the Environment Agency – Abu Dhabi and reflects the institution’s continued progress in global sustainability rankings, reinforcing its commitment to environmental responsibility and community engagement. The event was organized by Prof. Mosab I. Tabash, Prof. Shorouq Eletter, and Dr. Tahira Yasmin, with the primary aim of raising awareness about waste

management, promoting the circular economy, and advancing the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals.

**Public evidence: E18 • E19 • E34 • E35**

### 6.2 Health awareness as community education

AAU hosts educational health days that combine public-interest information with external medical expertise. On 9 October 2024, Breast Cancer Awareness Day at the Abu Dhabi campus involved Ibn Sina Hospital, Canadian Medical Center, Capital Health, Millennium Hospital, Al Ahlia Eye Care and Wellness Day Surgery Center. Students contributed posters and short quizzes on prevention and early screening, while health partners engaged attendees directly.

*AAU Breast Cancer Awareness Day 2024 combined external healthcare partners with educational exhibits and community learning.*

**Public evidence: E21**

**RESPONSIVE PUBLIC EDUCATION**

## 7. Ad hoc public lectures, workshops and seminars

Alongside programmed series, AAU convenes individual lectures and workshops in response to emerging community needs and public-interest topics. These events use campus and virtual formats and are frequently delivered with government, professional, health or civil-society partners.

| ***Public-interest topic*** | **Illustrative AAU event** | **Community knowledge developed** |
|---|---|---|
| *Financial capability* | Safe Investment with Abu Dhabi Securities Exchange | Markets, investor protection, portfolios and financial instruments |
| *Health and well-being* | Biological Clock, Biorhythm and Health | Sleep, chronic-disease risk, mental health and cognitive performance |
| *Cancer awareness* | Cancer Disease and the Role of Surgery in Oncology | Early detection, diagnosis, treatment plans and surgical care |
| *Regional education* | Distance-learning seminar with the Association of Arab Universities | Arab university experience, educational continuity and digital teaching practice |
| *Communication* | The Art of Public Speaking and Audience Engagement | Presentation, audience connection and professional confidence |
| *Learning and inclusion* | Multiple Intelligences | Understanding varied abilities and approaches to learning |
| | | |

| ***Public-interest topic*** | **Illustrative AAU event** | **Community knowledge developed** |
|---|---|---|
| *Virtual professional learning* | Virtual Professional Development Week | Remote access to current professional knowledge |
| *Language learning* | Free Russian Language Course | Explicitly free lifelong-learning access |

*Publicly announced 2025 lecture, The Art of Public Speaking and Audience Engagement.*

**Public evidence:** E24 • E25 • E26 • E27 • E28 • E29 • E30 • E31

**VOLUNTEERING AND CIVIC LEARNING**

## 8. Community-service events extend learning into action

AAU complements hosted lectures and conferences with volunteering and civic-engagement activities that develop practical leadership, teamwork, empathy and social responsibility. In 2024, the Deanship of Student Affairs won third place at UAE level in the Aoun Award for Community Service, organized by Emirates Red Crescent with the Emirates Foundation for Education. The award recognized students who launched innovative community initiatives and participated actively in society.

AAU also supports the annual Ramadan Aman campaign, which reduces traffic accidents and speeding by distributing Iftar meals to drivers before Maghrib at intersections. Al-Ihsan Charity Organization honoured AAU as a supporting entity in 2024. The recurring partnership provides an applied educational setting in which University volunteers serve the community while developing civic and humanitarian skills.

*AAU community-service recognition in 2024, including the national Aoun Award programme.*

**Public evidence:** E22 • E23

**EDUCATION THROUGH SERVICE**

Volunteering is integrated into AAU's public-event ecosystem: students and staff apply knowledge in real community settings, public partners contribute expertise and coordination, and beneficiaries receive health, safety, environmental, cultural or humanitarian support.

**COMMUNITY AND REGIONAL REACH**

## 9. Serving the local community, the UAE and the Arab world

| ***Reach*** | **External beneficiaries** | **Event channels** | **Skills and knowledge developed** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *Local community* | School graduates, families, alumni, residents, health-event attendees and volunteers | Open Week, open days, public lectures, fairs, awareness days and community service | Education choices, health literacy, employability, communication, inclusion and civic responsibility |
| *United Arab Emirates* | Public agencies, hospitals, employers, professional bodies, universities and charities | Career fair, environmental events, health conferences, Aoun Award and Ramadan Aman | Professional practice, sustainability, health innovation, leadership and volunteering |
| *Arab world* | Students, faculty and administrators from Arab universities | Free Annual Student Conference and Association of Arab Universities knowledge exchange | Research, digital education, AI, health, sustainability, Arab heritage and collaborative work |
| *International* | Researchers, doctoral candidates, practitioners, technology providers and partner universities | Global Digital Health Conference and Health and Biomedical Postgraduate Symposium | Scientific exchange, digital health, research communication, innovation and interdisciplinary networks |

**Public evidence:** E06 • E07 • E11 • E14 • E16 • E18 • E21 • E22 • E23

### 9.1 Knowledge is shared through multiple formats

AAU's public events are designed for different learning needs. Lectures and panels provide expert explanation; workshops and demonstrations support applied skills; fairs and exhibitions create direct contact with organizations and technologies; research symposia develop presentation and feedback skills; cultural events strengthen identity and intercultural understanding; open days support informed educational choice; and volunteering converts learning into community service. Face-to-face, hybrid and virtual modes extend access across local, regional and international audiences.

**CURRENT INSTITUTIONAL CONTINUITY**

## 10. Public educational events remain active and expanding

AAU's 2025–2026 public records show that the institutional model continues beyond the 2024 evidence year. The portfolio has expanded across free language learning, virtual professional development, professional summits, engineering-industry conventions, environmental

education, international research symposia, artificial intelligence, cybersecurity and public book culture.

| *Year* | **Current public event evidence** | **Continuing contribution** |
|---|---|---|
| *2025* | Virtual Professional Development Week | Remote professional learning |
| *2025* | Free Russian Language Course | Explicitly free community language education |
| *2025* | Financial Reporting Summit with IMA Abu Dhabi Chapter | Professional and financial knowledge exchange |
| *2025* | First Concrete Convention: 20 companies and seven universities | Industry–university technical learning |
| *2025* | Eighth Annual Environmental Day | Climate finance and environmental sustainability |
| *2026* | Ninth Annual Environmental Day | Zero waste and circular economy |
| *2026* | Fourth Health and Biomedical Postgraduate Symposium | International and hybrid research collaboration |
| *2026* | International Conference on Smart Management, Green Technologies and Entrepreneurial Ecosystems | Global interdisciplinary knowledge exchange |
| *2026* | Annual Student Forum with 120 researchers | Artificial-intelligence research and student innovation |
| *2026* | Cybersecurity Day | National cyber awareness and expertise |
| *2026* | Sixth AAU Book Fair | Reading, publishing and cultural access |
| *2026* | Completion of the Deanship's 2025–2026 activities programme | Institutional delivery across the academic year |

**Public evidence:** **E28** • **E29** • **E32** • **E33** • **E34** • **E35** • **E36** • **E37** • **E38** • **E39** • **E40** • **E41**

## 10.1 Institutional conclusion

**AAU MEETS THE INDICATOR**

Al Ain University hosts educational events at its campuses that are open to external participants and the wider public. The evidence demonstrates programmed and ad hoc delivery; free and registration-based access; public lectures, community educational events, conferences, workshops, seminars, fairs, exhibitions, cultural activities and volunteering; and direct service to the local community, the UAE and the Arab world. The 2024 programme is supported by dated public invitations and event records, and current 2025–2026 evidence confirms sustained institutional delivery.

**PUBLIC EVIDENCE**

# 11. Evidence register

The following public sources support the institutional planning, public access, event types, access conditions, reporting-year delivery and current continuity presented in this submission.

| *ID* | Year/type | Public source | Evidence supported |
|---|---|---|---|
| ***E01*** | THE 2026 | THE Sustainability Impact Ratings Methodology 2026 | Indicator definition, evidence year, event-cost scoring and public-evidence requirement |
| ***E02*** | AAU SDG | AAU public SDG 4.3.2 evidence page | Public institutional SDG 4.3.2 page |
| ***E03*** | AAU SDG | AAU SDG 4.3.2 public evidence document | Downloadable institutional evidence document |
| ***E04*** | AAU current | AAU Deanship of Student Affairs — Activities Plan | Formal Student Affairs activity-planning route |
| ***E05*** | AAU current | AAU public events archive | Public event archive |
| ***E06*** | AAU 2024 | Annual Student Conference of the Association of Deanships of Student Affairs in Arab Universities — 2024 | Free Annual Student Conference, dates, themes, eligibility and hosting |
| ***E07*** | AAU 2024 | More than 54 university students from eight Arab countries present research at AAU — 2024 | More than 54 presenters from eight Arab countries |
| ***E08*** | AAU 2024 | Official record: more than 54 students from eight Arab countries — 2024 | Downloadable official regional-conference record |
| ***E09*** | AAU 2024 | Second AAU Health and Biomedical Postgraduate Symposium — 8 February 2024 | Second Health and Biomedical symposium programme |
| ***E10*** | AAU 2024 | AAU organizes the Second Health and Biomedical Postgraduate Symposium — 2024 | Institutional news record for second symposium |
| ***E11*** | AAU 2024 | Global Digital Health Knowledge Exchange and Empowerment Conference — 2024 | Global Digital Health conference programme, public doctoral session and registration |
| ***E12*** | AAU 2024 | AAU organizes the Global Digital Health Conference — 2024 | Institutional record of Global Digital Health conference |
| ***E13*** | AAU 2024 | AAU hosts the Technology Innovation in Health Exhibition — 2024 | Technology Innovation in Health Exhibition |
| ***E14*** | AAU 2024 | AAU Career Development and Training Fair — public invitation and registration, 2024 | Career fair public invitation, venue, time and registration |

**PUBLIC EVIDENCE CONTINUED**

## 11.1 Reporting-year public and community events

| *ID* | Year/type | Public source | Evidence supported |
|---|---|---|---|
| ***E15*** | AAU 2024 | AAU Professional Development and | Professional Development and |

| *ID* | Year/type | Public source | Evidence supported |
|---|---|---|---|
| | | Training Exhibition — 2024 | Training Exhibition delivery |
| ***E16*** | AAU 2024 | AAU Open Week — 3–10 July 2024 | Open Week at both campuses |
| ***E17*** | AAU 2024 | AAU Open Week public invitation — 2024 | Public Open Week invitation |
| ***E18*** | AAU 2024 | AAU Seventh Annual Environmental Day — 2024 | Seventh Annual Environmental Day |
| ***E19*** | AAU 2024 | Official record: AAU Seventh Annual Environmental Day — 2024 | Downloadable Environmental Day record |
| ***E20*** | AAU 2024 | Innovation Day: Uniting Minds to Drive Sustainable Solutions — 2024 | Innovation Day |
| ***E21*** | AAU 2024 | Widespread engagement in AAU Breast Cancer Awareness Day — 2024 | Breast Cancer Awareness Day and health partners |
| ***E22*** | AAU 2024 | AAU wins third place nationally in the Aoun Award for Community Service — 2024 | National Aoun Award for community service |
| ***E23*** | AAU 2024 | Al-Ihsan Charity Organization honours AAU for supporting Ramadan Aman — 2024 | Recurring Ramadan Aman volunteer campaign |
| ***E24*** | AAU 2021 | Awareness lecture on safe investment with Abu Dhabi Securities Exchange — 2021 | Financial-literacy lecture with Abu Dhabi Securities Exchange |
| ***E25*** | AAU 2021 | Awareness lecture on the biological clock, biorhythm and health — 2021 | Health lecture on biological clock and biorhythm |
| ***E26*** | AAU 2021 | Awareness lecture on cancer and the role of surgery in oncology — 2021 | Cancer-awareness lecture with clinical expert |
| ***E27*** | AAU 2020 | AAU and the Association of Arab Universities discuss distance learning — 2020 | Regional distance-learning exchange with Arab universities |

**PUBLIC EVIDENCE CONTINUED**

## 11.2 Current continuity and expansion

| *ID* | Year/type | Public source | Evidence supported |
|---|---|---|---|
| ***E28*** | AAU 2025 | AAU Virtual Professional Development Week — 2025 | Virtual Professional Development Week |
| ***E29*** | AAU 2025 | AAU Free Russian Language Course — 2025 | Free Russian Language Course |
| ***E30*** | AAU 2025 | AAU lecture: The Art of Public Speaking and Audience Engagement — 2025 | Public-speaking lecture |
| ***E31*** | AAU 2025 | AAU lecture on Multiple Intelligences — 2025 | Multiple-intelligences lecture |

| *ID* | Year/type | Public source | Evidence supported |
|---|---|---|---|
| ***E32*** | AAU 2025 | AAU hosts Financial Reporting Summit with IMA Abu Dhabi Chapter — 2025 | Financial Reporting Summit |
| ***E33*** | AAU 2025 | AAU hosts the First Concrete Convention with 20 companies and seven universities — 2025 | Concrete Convention with companies and universities |
| ***E34*** | AAU 2025 | AAU Eighth Annual Environmental Day — 2025 | Eighth Annual Environmental Day |
| ***E35*** | AAU 2026 | AAU Ninth Annual Environmental Day — 2026 | Ninth Annual Environmental Day |
| ***E36*** | AAU 2026 | Fourth AAU Health and Biomedical Postgraduate Symposium — 2026 | Fourth Health and Biomedical symposium and series history |
| ***E37*** | AAU 2026 | International Conference on Smart Management, Green Technologies and Entrepreneurial Ecosystems — 2026 | International smart management and green technology conference |
| ***E38*** | AAU 2026 | 120 researchers discuss AI at AAU's Annual Student Forum — 2026 | Annual Student Forum with 120 researchers |
| ***E39*** | AAU 2026 | AAU Cybersecurity Day — 2026 | Cybersecurity Day |
| ***E40*** | AAU 2026 | AAU Sixth Book Fair — 2026 | Sixth AAU Book Fair |
| ***E41*** | AAU 2026 | AAU Deanship of Student Affairs concludes the 2025–2026 activities programme | Completion of the 2025–2026 Student Affairs activities programme |

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