



Crown Prince's International Scholarship Program

Kingdom of Bahrain

- HRH meets with 12th Group of Scholarship Recipients
- CPISP welcomes Dr. Cynthia Gessling to the team
- First CPISP Scholar completes PhD



12 / 05 / 2011 - HRH the Crown Prince and Deputy Supreme Commander Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa meets with the Program's 12th Group of Scholarship Recipients at the Court of the Crown Prince, Kingdom of Bahrain.

HRH receives 2011 Scholarship Recipients

HRH the Crown Prince and Deputy Supreme Commander Prince Salman bin Hamad Al-Khalifa met with the new group of CPISP scholarship recipients for 2011 at the Court of the Crown Prince on Thursday, 12 May 2011.

HRH affirmed the importance of education and the role of Bahrain's talented youth in contributing to the future and development of Bahrain.

HRH congratulated the students on their selection

as recipients of this year's scholarships, based on their outstanding academic merit.

He wished them success in their future academic journeys, and in achieving their dreams and aspirations.

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2011 Recipients (Group 12)

Student Name	Secondary School	School / University
Ahmed Adham Bardooli	Isa Town Boys School	Tabor Academy, USA
Esraa Abdulnabi Sabah	Khawla Girls School	Loomis Chaffe School, USA
Feras Abdulla Al Ajmi	St. Christopher's School	Yale University, USA
Jannat Oun Al Khunaizi	Khawla Girls School	Sedbergh School, UK
Mohamed Nabeel Noor Nedham	Isa Town Boys School	Canford School, UK
Mona Mohamed Hasan	Khawla Girls School	Oakham School, UK
Ola Mohamed Aboukhsaiwan	Abdulrahman Kanoo International School	University of Pennsylvania, USA
Saeed Ahmed Al Rahma	Isa Town Boys School	The Hun School of Princeton, USA
Sarah Ali Saeed Alzeera	Al Raja School	New York University, USA
Yousif Fareed Rouben	St. Christopher's School	Massachusetts Institute of Technology, USA

CPISP welcomes new USA Higher Education Advisor



Dr. Cynthia L. Gessling joined the CPISP team in February 2011 as USA Higher Education Advisor, replacing Dr. Kathy Cummings.

Dr. Gessling's responsibilities not only include serving as an educational advisor for scholars studying in the US and Canada, but also extend to overseeing the Program's application process and the training programs and

activities offered to scholarship candidates before the selection of the final recipients.

Dr. Gessling has over 20 years of extensive experience in educational administration, serving as an administrator and superintendent with the Department of Defense Dependent Schools (DoDEA), residing in various locations in Europe and the Caribbean.

Dr. Gessling worked as a consultant for the Ministry of Education in the United Arab Emirates prior to arriving in Bahrain. She has been residing in Bahrain for the past three years, just recently leaving Modern Knowledge Schools as the educational consultant to the Chairman.

She holds a Doctorate in Education from the University of Missouri.

"The CPISP received over 260 applications this year for its 2012 scholarships."

2012 Candidates begin selection training

The CPISP has selected the top 60 candidates for next year's scholarships, after receiving a record number of over 260 applications for its 2012 scholarships before the 28 February 2011 deadline.

The candidates were selected based on their GPAs and results of the Qualifying English Language Test that the Program administered on 5 March 2011. They include 40 Ministry of Education school

students and 20 private school students.

IELTS and SAT training commenced in April, and the IELTS exam was administered on 16 April 2011 and the SAT exams on 4 June 2011.

This year, candidates will be able to take advantage of a Critical Reading Course.

A new specialized training program will be introduced this summer for all

candidates, which will count as part of their final selection, in addition to a Critical Thinking course.

Candidates will also take part in career development seminars to introduce them to the needs and required fields of the job market.

The final recipients are selected based on their GPAs, results of the IELTS and SATs, and performance in the training program and critical thinking course.



CPISP introduces new Summer Academy as part of selection for 2012 scholarships

On 3 July 2011, the 60 candidates competing for next year's 2012 scholarships will begin a specialized training program focusing on leadership and communication development.

The program will help students outline their desired educational and career paths through psychometric testing and introduce them to

various professions required by the job market.

A specialized module entitled "Going West" will enhance their life skills and prepare them for tertiary education in foreign universities, while leadership and communication training based on courses from the Institute of Leadership and Management (ILM) will allow

them to attain an internationally recognized Level 3 Award in Effective Management from ILM.

Students will also be tasked to work on team projects in line with the objectives of Vision 2030, and conceive a new business, which they will present with their entire learning experience in a final presentation before top officials.

Recipients prepare for 2012 Action Learning Program

The CPISP's Action Learning Program for its scholars will be entering its 6th year this summer.

Induction week will begin on 26 June 2011 where teams will undergo intensive leadership training, after which they will start work on their individual challenges

with their designated companies and delegates.

Participating organizations include Platinum Sponsors **Batelco** and **Alba**, and **Bahrain Mumtalakat Holding Company**.

Each team will give their final presentations in a special

ceremony at the Court of the Crown Prince on 25 August 2011, which will be attended by top officials from the Court, the CPISP Board, and participating organizations.

“These programs allow students to have a better understanding of their country in various fields and enable them to be good citizens and ambassadors representing their country abroad.”

*– Abdulrahman Jawahery,
General Manager of Gulf
Petrochemical Industries
Company (GPIC)*

Trade Mission of Taiwan invites CPISP scholars to take part in 2011 Taiwan Youth Culture Camp

The new representative of the Trade Mission of Taiwan to the Kingdom of Bahrain, H.E. Mr. Paul Y. F. Hsu extended an invitation to scholars from the Crown Prince's International Scholarship Program to attend the 2011 West Asian Youth Taiwan Culture.

Scholars **Nadia Khalaf**, **Wafa Al-Sayed**, **Ola Aboukhsaiwan**, and **Feras Alajmi** were selected to take part in this camp based on

their fields of study and exemplary performance as CPISP scholars.

They will be joining other students from this part of the world to experience Taiwan's culture first hand through various activities, field trips, and site visits in Taiwan.

Destinations include the capital Taipei, Kaohsiung City, and Tainan City, and visits to the Taipei Neihu Technology Park, a Tea

Research Station, a harvest festival, the Kuroshio Ocean Education Foundation, and other national and historical sites.

CPISP Director Dr. Ronald Koller expressed his thanks and appreciation to the Trade Mission of Taiwan for this valuable opportunity which will provide the scholars with a rich cultural experience.



Chiang Kai-shek Memorial Hall in Taipei.

2011 Graduates include conferral of first PhD

The CPISP is proud to announce the graduation of its first PhD scholar: Khalid Fakhro from Yale University, majoring in human genetics.

Also this summer, eight

scholars completed their undergraduate degrees, and three completed their Master's degrees.

Meanwhile, scholars from Group 10 attending boarding

and prep schools have either completed their A-Levels or High School Post Graduate Diplomas, and will be starting university in the Fall.

“CPISP celebrates the graduation of its first scholar to complete his PhD.”

Nadia Khalaf presents paper on Bahrain at conference

NYU Graduate Nadia Khalaf was invited to participate in a graduate conference in April entitled “The Non-Human, the Subhuman and the Superhuman: Exploring Nature(s) in the Middle East,” at the Middle East Center at the University of

Pennsylvania.

Nadia presented a paper on the history panel entitled, “Bringing Bahrain Back into the Bitter Sea: [De/Re]constructing Maps of a Small Island.”

It included an analysis of

maps of Bahrain from 1681 to the present, including a contemporary ‘sound map’ or audio recording of Manama city center, to highlight the limits and possibilities of mapping urban environments.

2011 Graduates (post-graduate degrees)

Name	University / Major	Future Plans
Ahmed Abdulrahim	London Business School, UK / Master's in Business Administration	Seeking employment in Bahrain
Khalid Fakhro	Yale University, USA / PhD in Human Genetics	Seeking employment
Nadia Khalaf	New York University, USA / MA in Near Eastern Studies	Seeking employment
Yasmeen Farid Rouben	University College London, UK / LLM in Law	Continue 2nd Master's in Law at University of Southern California, USA



Wafa Alsayed graduates from Georgetown University, USA.

2011 Graduates (under-graduate degrees)

Name	University / Major	Future Plans
Ali Saeed Abbas	Columbia University, USA / BSc in Operations Research: Engineering Management Systems	Begin employment at Société Générale Corporate & Investment Banking, NYC
Abdulla Saleh Abdulaal	University of Warwick, UK / BSc in MORSE: Mathematics, Operational Research, Statistics, and Economics	Continue MSc in Economic History at London School of Economics and Political Science, UK
Fahad Ibrahim Sperinck	University of Oxford, UK / Master of Mathematics	Teach Mathematics and pursue a PhD in Analytic Number Theory
Husain AlShehabi	Columbia University, USA / BSc in Operations Research: Engineering Management Systems	Begin employment at Boston Consulting Group, Dubai
Maha Ashour	Tufts University, USA / BSc in Economics and German Studies	Continue MSc in Economics at Tufts University, USA
Mishal Awadah	University of Pennsylvania, USA / BSc Eng in Computer and Information Science	Continue MSc Eng in Computer Science at U Penn, USA
Sayed Alderazi	University of Nottingham University, UK / Bachelor of Medicine and Surgery	Begin employment at Nottingham Hospital, UK
Wafa Faisal Alsayed	Georgetown University, USA / BSc in Foreign Service - International Politics	Continue MSc in Foreign Service, Georgetown University, USA



Husain Al-Shehabi (center) graduates from Columbia University, USA.



Rawan Maki is granted summer Yale Fellowship to explore alternative energy in Alaska

CPISP scholar Rawan Maki, who is pursuing an undergraduate degree in environmental engineering and economics at Yale University, was granted a Yale Fellowship to work this summer with the Institute of the North, a main lobby for environmental research and policy in the Arctic region, in Anchorage, Alaska. She is working on projects for alternative energy and will be devising scientific plans for several cases.

She explains, "The case studies will mainly focus on North America, but the analysis methods are universal, and are definitely comparable to areas such as the Gulf region. Alaska is an

economy that is heavily reliant on oil and does not have income taxes. It is quite an anomaly for the USA, but there are clear overlying comparisons for a country like Bahrain when it comes to environmental economics. Alaska also has some of the most pressing environmental issues worldwide, ranging from water, climate change, oil, and general sustainability."

"I am staying with Mead Treadwell, who is the Lt. Governor of Alaska. As such, I have been meeting several high-ranking politicians and influential people in the state of Alaska. This is amazing exposure as I get to see exactly how

scientific research gets processed, and exactly how the political mind thinks when it comes to resources, different groups, and economic policy. Next week, Mr. Treadwell is having a banquet for US ambassadors, where he will host several ambassadors to the United States. He has invited me to the dinner as a representative of Bahrain, and I will be asked to take part in discussions regarding Bahrain's current state and future in terms of environmental policies and advances."

Rawan has set up a blog to report her cultural, environmental and economic findings on her Arctic adventure at

<http://rawanmaki.blogspot.com>



Rawan attends a conference in Kotzebue, Alaska

"Today, I tried walrus, moose, and a fish called Hooligan."

Mishal Awadah designs application for aspiring DJs

Mishal Awadah, a U Penn graduate who just completed his BSc Eng degree in Computer Science in Information Science, received the "Greatest Potential" Award for creating an android application entitled "DJ Feed" for a software

development competition hosted by U Penn.

Designed for amateur DJs and house parties, DJFeed allows listeners to influence the party's music by voting for upcoming songs and rating previously played songs, giving DJs instant feedback.

Details on the Mishal's application can be found on:

<http://www.seas.upenn.edu/~emish/djfeed/>

Details on the competition can be found on the official site www.pennapps.com.



Aysha Falamarzi and Housemistress Judy Gracie at Stowe School. UK

Aysha Falamarzi honored for work with children

Aysha Falamarzi, who is completing her A-Levels at Stowe School in the UK, was awarded the Sir Nicholson Prize for her charity work with children with disabilities.

She explains that the Sir Nicholson Prize is awarded at Stowe each year to one person who shows commitment to helping

others, especially young children.

Aysha worked with a local based charity branch of the national inclusion project "Let's ALL Play," spending 3 hours a week with children with disabilities over the last year, organizing various recreational activities.

"I have enjoyed every minute of working with Let's ALL Play. There is nothing more beautiful than enjoying the scene of smiles that you have drawn. I love to do good for others simply as a way of paying the world back for all the amazing things I'm privileged with."

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About Our Organization...

Established in 1999 by HRH the Crown Prince and Deputy Supreme Commander Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, the CPISP provides ten annual scholarships to outstanding Bahraini secondary school students to study at top international universities.

CPISP Endowment Fund

The Crown Prince's International Scholarship Fund was launched in 2006, with the aim of drawing in financial support of the Program from national and international organizations and individuals.

In addition to HRH the Crown Prince's funding, contributions from sponsors have ensured the continued

operation of the Program, and allowed scholarship recipients the opportunity to pursue post-graduate opportunities and take part in specialized educational programs and initiatives.

The Fund offers three main sponsorship tiers: Platinum, Gold, and Silver; payable in one installment or with the option of paying in annual

installments of up to five years. **Platinum** Sponsors commit funding of BD 1 million and above, **Gold** Sponsors commit BD 500,000 and above, while **Silver** Sponsors commit BD 250,000 and above. 'CPISP Friends' is a special fourth category for contributors committing amounts from BD 50,000 to BD 250,000.

Sponsorship Tier	Commitment Amount
Platinum	BD 1 million and above
Gold	BD 500,000 and above
Silver	BD 250,000

Sponsor Updates

NEW COMMITMENTS:
A.M. Yateem Brothers and **Mr. Mohammed Dadabhai** were among the most recent sponsors to support the CPISP as Friends, each committing a total of BD 50,000 over the next five years. **Al Baraka Islamic Bank** also made a one-time payment of BD 10,000.

UPGRADES: **NBB** and **BBK** both upgraded to Platinum sponsorship, each committing a total of BD 1 million to the Program.

SPONSOR RENEWALS: **ALBA**, **KFH**, and **Investcorp** have renewed their Platinum sponsorships, committing another BD 1 million to the

CPISP over the next five years, while **Ahli United Bank** committed another BD 100,000 as part of the Friends package, and **United Gulf Bank** also renewed its sponsorship at the Friends level.

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 OFFICIAL PLATINUM SPONSOR BD 1 MILLION +			
 OFFICIAL GOLD SPONSOR BD 500,000 +	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Arab Shipbuilding and Repair Yard Co. (ASRY) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bahrain Petroleum Company (BAPCO) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gulf Petrochemical Industries Company (GPIC)
 OFFICIAL SILVER SPONSOR BD 250,000 +	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ahliya University Al Salam Bank Bahrain 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bahrain Duty Free Durrat Al Bahrain 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Y.K. Almoayyed & Sons Esterad Charitable Trust
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