



VIRTUAL FORUM ON :  
**EDUCATION EXCELLENCE  
SUSTAINABILITY**

Thursday, 4<sup>th</sup> June, 2020  
8:30 PM – 10:30:00 PM Bahrain Time  
[www.ahlia.edu.bh/ees](http://www.ahlia.edu.bh/ees)

## INTRODUCTION

COVID-19 impacted Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) globally, universities were challenged to transform from student centred learning to online teaching and learning. In some countries, a paradigm shift was made in a short time frame, which includes adapting assessment for online platforms and engaging students in their education.

Higher Education leaders and policy makers considered taking decisions and changing strategies related to future teaching and learning including blended learning and education sustainability in line with United Nations Sustainable Development Goals.

This Forum aims to discuss Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) practices and reform ideas with panel experts and leaders from Higher Education, Quality and Regulatory Authorities and United Nations.

## PROPOSED THEMES

1. Higher Education Future Strategies  
Lessons and practices from COVID-19 pandemic
2. Paradigm Shift  
Teaching Transformation through online learning during COVID-19 Pandemic
3. Education Sustainability  
Maintenance of quality assurance measures and lessons learnt during COVID-19

## REGISTRATION

Please register for the live event on the following link: [www.ahlia.edu.bh/ees](http://www.ahlia.edu.bh/ees)

The forum is free of charge, we welcome participants from

- Higher Education Institutes
- Regulatory and Licensing Authorities
- Quality Assurance Authorities
- Students, Parents and Employers
- Educational Accreditation and Ranking Organisations

If you can not attend please register and we will provide you with a recording of the event.

## HOSTED BY



**Prof. Abdulla Y. AlHawaj**  
Founding President  
Chairman, Board of Trustees  
Ahlia University



**Prof. Mansoor Alaali**  
President  
Ahlia University



**Dr. Esra AlDhaen**  
Executive Director Centre for  
Accreditation and Quality  
Assurance, PFHEA

## PANELLISTS



**Prof. George Lodorfos**  
Dean of Leeds Business School  
Leeds Beckett University, UK



**Dr Anastasia Konstantopoulou**  
Associate Dean  
Learning and Teaching,  
Edge Hill University, UK



**Prof. Allam Ahmed**  
President World Association for  
Sustainable Development (WASD)  
U.K



**Dr. Ashwin Fernandez**  
Regional Director, QS Director



**Mr. Ihsan Zakeri**  
Manager, Accreditation,  
Europe, the Middle East and  
Africa - AACSB International



**Ms. Samantha Miles**  
Head of Learning, Knowledge E,  
UAE



**Ms. Annie Lajinian Magarian**  
Senior University Registrar  
Lebanese American University