

Date for your diary: 21 Kurdistan University leaders visit United Kingdom in May 2006

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On Sunday, the 21st of May 2006, up to twenty one of Kurdistan's academic leaders will arrive in Nottingham to attend a two week training course on management of modern institutes of higher education. Delegates will include Presidents, Vice Presidents and/or Deans of Colleges from the Universities of Duhok, Salahaddin, Hewlér Medical, Suleimani, Kerkuk and Koya (See table below). This training course is the third of its kind organised by the University of Nottingham for Kurdistan University leaders. The first was in October 2004, attended by 17 Iraqis, including seven from Duhok, Salahaddin and Suleimani Universities (below). The course was very successful and the delegates found it useful and satisfactory. This led to the second training course held in June 2005 and attended by nine delegates from Duhok, Salahaddin, Suleimani and Koya Universities. Again, the candidates provided encouraging feedback and recommended a re-run for others in Kurdistan in 2006.

This year, the course promises to be even more successful and for the first time it will be attended by almost all the current Presidents of Kurdistan Universities. The course programme consists of lectures, tutorials, visits and meetings with Nottingham's senior academic leaders. Importantly, each delegate will have the opportunity to visit Departments and Colleges of their interest. A major objective of the course is to help Kurdistan's academic leaders establish strong personal links and active channels of communications with their counterparts in UK. Importantly, the course will offer delegates the opportunity to establish networks among Kurds in Diaspora (in UK and elsewhere). Conversely, it provides UK-based professionals the opportunity to offer their support for the reconstruction of Kurdistan's Institutes of Higher Education.

As in previous occasions, a seminar and a social event will be arranged in Nottingham for the afternoon of the Bank Holiday Monday, 29th of May. Closer to the time, venues and further details will be announced and, as usual, all registered guests are welcome. To register, please e-mail info@zaninonline.org with subject title "*Registration for the seminar on Monday, 29th of May 2006*", with your full name and a valid e-mail address.

The following are the lists of delegates from Kurdistan Universities for the training courses.

2006: Delegates will attend the forthcoming training course from 21st May to 2nd June, 2006

Dohuk University

- Dr. Asmat M. Khalid, President of Dohuk University
- Dr. Hassan Al-Mezori, Vice- President for Scientific Affairs
- Dr. Luis C. Bender, Dean of Basic Education.
- Dr. Khalil Ghazi Hassan, Dean of Admin and Economics

Salahaddin University

- Dr. Mohammad Sadik, President of Salahaddin University
- Dr. Kamal Hamad Amin Younis, Dean of Engineering
- Dr. Sa'ad Suleivany, Dean of Postgraduate studies
- Dr. Ali Mahmood Jokil, Dean of Languages
- Dr. Salam H. Taha, Dean of Arts

Hewlér Medical University

- Dr. Abdul-Rahman R. Abdulla, Vice President for Scientific Affairs
- Dr. Farhad Jalil Khayat, Dean of Medicine
- Dr. Ja'afar Hamad Qadir, Dean of Dentistry

Suleimani University

- Dr. Ali Saeed Mohammad, President of Suleimani University
- Dr. Khasraw A. Ali, Dean of Veterinary Medicine
- Dr. Dler A. Mohammed, Dean of Languages

Koya University

- Dr. Khidir Hawrami, President of Koya University
- Dr. Nazm Hasan Salih, Dean of Information Technology
- Dr. Ahmed Aras, Dean of the College of Agriculture

Kerkuk University

- Dr. Hussian H. Omar, President of Kirkuk University
- Dr. karim N. Khdhir, Dean of Education College
- Dr. Bahram KH. Mohammad, Dean of the college of Agriculture

2005: Delegates attended the course of 1-10 June, 2005

Duhok University

- Dr. Mohammad salih Zebari, Dean of Arts
- Dr. Ali Flaih Hesson, Dean of Engineering
- Prof. Odeat Essi, Dean of Physical Education

Salahaddin University

- Dr. Nadhum Jalal Ismaiel, Vice-President for Scientific Affairs
- Dr. Kafia Mawlood Shareef , Dean of Nursing
- Mrs. Jwan Jalal Sharif, Director of Central Admissions of Kurdistan Region

Suleimani University

- Dr. Aras Aziz Abdulla, Dean of Medicine
- Dr. Azad Hama Ahmed, Dean of Technology

Koya University

- Dr. Ali Mahmood Asad, Dean of Engineering

2004: Delegates attended the course of 3-17, October 2004

Duhok University

- Dr. Lazgin Abdi Jamil, Dean of Science
- Dr. Mohammad Ahmad Ramadan, Dean of Law

Salahaddin University

- Dr. Shamal Mohammed Mochtar, Vice President
- Dr. Govand Hussien Shrwani, Dean of Science
- Dr. Kamal Mustafa, Dean of Pharmacy

Suleimani University

- Dr. Nazer Amin, Vice President
- Dr. Fereydun Katfan, Deputy Dean of Medicine