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"Under the patronage of Her Royal Highness Princess Basma bint Talal, Applied Science University opens the Health Sciences Conference titled:"Excellence and Partnership in Healthcare "









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Applied Science Private University, under the patronage of Her Royal Highness Princess Basma Bint Talal, and in partnership with Ibn Al-Haytham Hospital, inaugurated the health sciences conference titled “Excellence and partnership in Healthcare”, held at the Dead Sea on the 22nd and 23rd of October 2025.

The two-day conference aims to shed light on the latest trends in the fields of health sciences and to enhance collaboration among experts, academics, and healthcare institutions locally and internationally through discussions of the latest scientific and research developments and the exchange of expertise. The conference covers a wide range of multidisciplinary themes addressing current and emerging challenges in the healthcare sector, most notably: digital health, developments in pharmaceutical sciences, epidemic and risk management, nutrition and lifestyle, and the management of chronic diseases. The conference hosts a distinguished group of international researchers and experts from nine countries and fifteen Jordanian universities, along with ten participants from the industrial sector, including keynote speakers, lecturers, and session coordinators.

Among the keynote speakers participating are:

Prof. Rana M. Obaidat – Jordan Food and Drug Administration (JFDA) ،Prof. Mamoun Alhamadsheh – University of the Pacific (USA) ،Dr. Johnny Collett – Oxford Brookes University ،Dr. Osama Hamdy – Harvard Medical School ،Prof. Helen Dawes – University of Exeter ،Prof. Ahmed BaHammam – King Saud University ،Dr. Hamid Ghandehari – University of Utah (USA) ،Dr. Souheil Hallit – Holy Spirit University ،Prof. Mohamed Dkhil – Helwan University (Egypt) ،Dr. Alaa Al-Tammemi – Jordan Center for Disease Control.







Her Royal Highness said, at the opening of the conference, that *health systems are not merely institutions or equipment, but rather the lifeline of humanity,* emphasizing that the interconnection and integration of these systems serve as a guarantee for the continuity and well-being of societies.

Her Highness, in the presence of Brigadier General Dr. Sahl Al-Hammouri, Director General of the Royal Medical Services, added that *the absence of medicine, the weakness of health infrastructure, and the fragility or collapse of health systems pose a real threat to the health of communities, no less dangerous than conflicts and wars.*

She also stressed the importance of such medical gatherings in exchanging expertise and research to develop and improve health systems, address their weaknesses and imbalances, enhance people's lives, and ensure the provision of proper healthcare to everyone in need—guaranteeing the human right to healthcare.

Her Highness pointed to the complete collapse of the health system in the Gaza Strip over the past two years amid shortages of water and food and the spread of famine, citing reports by several international organizations indicating a sharp rise in malnutrition among children under five, with 43% of pregnant and breastfeeding women suffering from malnutrition, along with the spread of hypertension, diabetes, and cancer.

Her Highness praised the remarkable progress achieved by the Jordanian medical sector—both public and private—and the expertise and competence of Jordanian medical professionals, which have made Jordan a leading destination for medical tourism in the region.



As part of his support and guidance to promote distinguished scientific activities, Dr. Haitham Abdullah Abu Khadija, Chairman of the Board of Trustees of Applied Science Private University, affirmed that organizing this specialized scientific conference aligns with the university's vision to strengthen the culture of scientific research and innovation, enhance academic partnerships at both regional and international levels, and contribute to supporting the path of sustainable development while elevating the university's standing in global rankings and accreditations. He added that this event also reflects the university's national role in supporting the healthcare sector in Jordan and improving its quality in ways that positively impact the health of individuals and the community. For her part, ***Professor Dr. Smaha Jarrah, President of Applied Science Private University, emphasized in her speech the importance of holding this conference, saying***:

"With the advancement of science comes our international conference, held over two days under a theme that reflects the spirit of interdisciplinary collaboration among various health specializations to realize a future vision in health sciences—one that seeks to integrate knowledge and expertise to provide optimal healthcare for patients, their families, and communities."

Additionally, Professor Dr. Rana Obeidat, Director General of the Jordan Food and Drug Administration, delivered a talk titled: " The Role of the Jordan Food and Drug Administration in Ensuring the Quality and Safety of Medicines amid Rapid Technological Developments,"in which she highlighted the institution's vital role in monitoring the quality of medicines and ensuring their safety in light of ongoing scientific and technological advancements.







On the sidelines of the conference, specialized workshops were organized for students of the health sciences faculties, covering topics related to patient safety, nutrition and artificial intelligence, physical therapy, behavior modification, and health promotion, in addition to scientific exhibitions in which the university, Ibn Al-Haytham Hospital, and a number of industry partners participated. The conference concluded with a Gala Dinner held on the university campus, attended by participants and speakers. The event included an introductory tour of the university's key academic and scientific facilities, allowing guests to explore the campus amid an atmosphere of constructive cultural and scientific exchange, reflecting the spirit of cooperation and excellence that distinguished the conference from its inception.

In conclusion, the participants expressed their appreciation to Applied Science Private University for organizing this distinguished scientific event, which contributed to strengthening academic and research collaboration among universities and healthcare institutions both locally and internationally. They emphasized the importance of continuing such conferences that enrich knowledge and enhance integration among various health sectors.










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