

NEWSWORTHY

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- The President welcomed **His Excellency Mr. Chen Weiqing, the Ambassador of the People's Republic** of **China to the Kingdom**, to explore avenues for bolstering bilateral cooperation in education, scientific research, and various other sectors. Ambassador Weiqing engaged with a Chinese student and several others during his visit to the university. The meeting emphasizes the deepening ties between the two nations in academia and beyond.
- **Dr. Ibrahim Yahaya Wuni**, Assistant Professor in the Architectural Engineering and Construction Management (AECM) Department, was selected for the **World Bank Group Africa Fellowship 2023**. Chosen from 3,200 applicants, Dr. Wuni was among the 35 selected fellows. He spent six months at the World Bank headquarters in Washington, D.C., working on projects related to sustainable construction, cities, and water security in Ghana, Liberia, and The Gambia. His insights and experiences will enrich KFUPM's curriculum and research approach significantly.
- Under Dr. Akram Ahmed's guidance from the Computer Engineering Department, Saudi Arabia's delegation of high school students clinched three awards at the International Olympiad in Informatics (IOI 2023). The students brought home a bronze medal and two certificates of achievement, marking Saudi Arabia's best performance since joining the IOI in 2018.
- The KFUPM team secured second place and the silver cup at the Inaugural Carbon Neutrality Cup
 2023 presented by the Gulf Petrochemicals & Chemicals Association (GPCA). Their winning project focuses on the Electrochemical Conversion of CO₂ to ethanol at low overpotential.
- The Entrepreneurship Institute recently hosted **SABIC's Nusaned initiative**. Over five days, we welcomed experts and entrepreneurs from diverse fields for a series of seminars, workshops, and consultations.
- The SDAIA-KFUPM Joint Research Center for Artificial Intelligence (JRC-AI) showcased its latest research and innovative AI projects at Saudi Aramco's "Skill Up, Learning in the Digital Age" Forum and Exhibition. Attended by an engaged audience of Aramco employees, the event highlighted the pivotal role and vast potential of artificial intelligence across various sectors.
- The University made a noteworthy appearance, capturing the attention of eager prospective students at the **Aramco University Fair**. Attendees showed great interest in the University's cutting-edge disciplines and programs.