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We want to hear from you and encourage you to share this newsletter with your faculty and spark conversations with relevant departments for more information.

- During the MENA Climate Week, the university held the first **Circular Carbon Economy Course** in collaboration with the University of Oxford and KAPSARC as part of the Regional Cooperation Initiative for the Circular Carbon Economy.
- A delegation from the **Saudi Geological Survey** met with representatives from CPG, the Department of Computer and Information Sciences, and JRC-AI. The visit aimed to discuss collaboration on the Authority's project to establish an **AI and Geological data analysis center**.
- During the **Innovative Teaching Day** organized by the **Deanship of Academic Development**, the university celebrated 60 years of educational excellence, highlighting the use of innovative learning methods and praising the efforts of the dedicated faculty.
- Two Petroleum Engineering students from CPG secured **1st place in the Doctoral Student Paper contest** and **2nd place in the Bachelor's category** at the **ATCE 2023 - International SPE Annual Conference** held in San Antonio, Texas.
- The **Department of Materials Engineering and Science** partnered with the Oil Sustainability Program to host a workshop and a competition for students about new hydrocarbon materials.
- A team of undergraduate and graduate students is representing the University at the **Bridgestone World Solar Challenge in Australia**. They are among 38 global teams showcasing a solar car built by themselves.
- The University hosted four **Saudi astronauts** from the Saudi Space Agency for a dialogue meeting with faculty members, male and female students, and those interested in the field, where they shared their experiences and their vision for the future of space exploration.
- The University organized the **13th Athletics Championship** in collaboration with the Saudi Universities Sports Federation, during which three students from KFUPM secured a **silver and two bronze medals**, competing against 380 athletes from 27 universities.
- The newly introduced "**KFUPM Early Admission exam**" done in coordination with Qiyas is open for registration. The new exam is for students who want to apply to KFUPM Early Admission track, and is similar to the Tahsili exam. The aim of the newly introduced exam is to attract high achieving students for admission, early in the academic year.
- **CPG** has established robust setups to determine the sought after **TAN, TBN, and SARA characterization parameters of crudes**. They give a direct route to high-throughput determination with a high degree of reproducibility.