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Al Ain University Launches "Innovators and Sustainability" Competition in Conjunction with the Year of Sustainability

The Innovation and Entrepreneurship Center, in collaboration with the Deanship of Student Affairs (Abu Dhabi Campus), launched the "Innovators and Sustainability" competition as part of its series of events for the Year of Sustainability 2023, coinciding with (COP28) conference hosted by the United Arab Emirates.

The competition witnessed widespread participation from Al Ain University students and over 12 government and private universities in the country. Approximately 49 projects and innovations were presented, reflecting the creativity of more than 200 students in finding sustainable solutions to modern challenges in areas such as energy efficiency, renewable energy, waste reduction and recycling, environmentally friendly designs, sustainable agricultural practices, biodiversity preservation, marine ecosystem conservation, sustainable construction, geotechnical engineering solutions, and more.

The judging panel comprised university professors from various institutions in the country, specializing in sustainability fields, to evaluate the innovative projects and proposed ideas using precise evaluation criteria announced earlier.

The competition was intense, with both Abu Dhabi University and the University of Science and Technology in Fujairah sharing the first-place position. The University of the Emirates and Al Ain University shared the second-place position, while the Police College and the University of Dubai jointly secured the third-place position.

The closing ceremony of the competition was attended by Prof. Ghaleb Al Refae, Al Ain University President, and Prof. Amer Qasem, AAU Vice President (Abu Dhabi Campus). These competitions reflect Al Ain University's commitment to promoting a culture of innovation, achieving sustainable development, generating innovative solutions, and encouraging students to continue developing their projects and turning them into viable, implementable initiatives.

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