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AAU Achieves International Institutional Accreditation by QAA (UK)

Al Ain University (AAU) has achieved a significant milestone in accreditation. For the very first time in AAU's history, AAU has secured institutional international accreditation from the "Quality Assurance Agency for Higher Education (QAA)"- United Kingdom. The International Quality Review (IQR) is a rigorous process that benchmarks global higher education institutions against international Quality Assurance standards, of the "Standards and Guidelines for Quality Assurance in the European Higher Education Area (ESG)".

Al Ain University successfully completed its IQR and has been awarded global quality accreditation by QAA. Overall, the review team concluded that AAU meets all 10 internal quality assurance standards outlined in the ESG. Securing IQR accreditation from QAA allows AAU to highlight our quality standards on an international stage and facilitates dialogue with institutions worldwide.

Prof. Ghaleb El Refae, AAU President, said; "Securing Institutional International Accreditation

was a set objective of the (2021-2025) AAU's Strategic and Operational Plan and achieving it within the stipulated set target is noteworthy". He added; "This goal was achieved on time, highlighting the University's commitment to successfully meeting its objectives. This accomplishment underscores AI Ain University's effective quality assurance and adherence to international standards, which enhances the University's global standing and encourages us to continue striving for development and excellence".

Dr. Nazih Khaddaj Mallat, Vice-President (Accreditation & Quality Assurance), said: "We are immensely proud to achieve a significant milestone by obtaining institutional accreditation through the QAA International Quality Review. This international recognition, obtained after rigorous assessment against the 10 European Standards and Guidelines for internal quality assurance, directly impacts the student learning experience and underscores our commitment to excellence in education, continuous improvement, and adherence to international best practices. At the end, we do extend our heartfelt thanks to QAA, the Review Team, and all our internal and external stakeholders for their invaluable contributions to this accomplishment."

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