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ORIC NEWS

Office of Research, Innovation and Commercialisation, UAF

ORIC organizes PhD Research Proposal (Oral and Poster) competition twice a year at University level. The winners are decorated with cash awards and

certificates. On April 7, 2016 prize distribution ceremony was held at New Senate Hall. The Vice Chancellor gave away the prizes.

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ms. Bushra Akhtar Ms. Sana Ashraf Mr. M. Bilal Shakoor 	PhD Research Proposal (Oral Presentation)	Cash Awards
	Inst. Pharmacy Physiology and Pharmacology	Rs. 20,000/-
	Inst. of Soil & Environmental Sciences	Rs. 15,000/-
	Inst. of Soil & Environmental Sciences	Rs. 10,000/-
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ms. Sana Ashraf Mr. Tanvir Ahmad Ms. Sahmsa Kanwal 	PhD Research Proposal (Poster Presentation)	
	Inst. of Soil & Environmental Sciences	Rs. 10,000/-
	Zoology, wildlife and Fisheries	Rs. 7,000/-
	Plant Breeding & Genetics	Rs. 5,000/-
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Shamoon-al- Islam Miss Nimra Ahmad and Maham Mr. Abdul Moiz 	Innovative Idea Competition	
	Portable Solar Umbrella	Rs. 10,000/-
	Solar Powered Umbrella (AURA)	Rs. 5,000/-
	Earth Tube Ventilation System	Rs. 3,000/-



ORIC successfully completed two phases of Indigenous on Campus Trainings where 520 members of Administrative and Supporting staff were trained from August 2014 to January 2016. The trainees, who completed their training in phase II, were awarded certificates by the Vice Chancellor on April 7, 2016 at New Senate Hall. The Vice Chancellor desired to see the impacts of these trainings towards change in mindset for earning of honest living with dedication and determination. He promised to continue such type of capacity sharing workshops in future.



ICDD Guest Lecturer

Dr. Angela Dziedzom Akorsu, Senior Research Fellow, Institute for Development Studies, University of Cape Coast, Ghana is visiting UAF as ICDD guest Lecturer from April 09-29, 2016. She will help in finalization of Curriculum for 2 New Courses on Gender Studies

She will deliver lectures on following topics:

- Gender Issues on campuses
- Importance of gender centres for University Education
- Understanding and doing gender
- Gender sensitive research ethics
- Social Science Research Methods & Issues



Visit of Prof. Dr. Masudul Alam Choudhury Prof. of Islamic Economics & Finance, University of Jakarta, Indonesia to UAF

Dr. Masudul Alam Ch. Prof. of Islamic Economics & Finance, University of Jakarta, Indonesia under visiting scholar program by HEC is capacitating the postgraduate students and faculty at Institute of Agriculture & Resource Economics, UAF from March 30 to April 28, 2016.

Student Startup Business Centre (SSBC)

University of Agriculture, Faisalabad has established Student Startup Business Centre (SSBC). The objective of this center is to promote student start-up businesses and offer support in terms of knowledge and finance to establish their own businesses.

This three party agreement and investment among Higher Education Commission (HEC), Promotion of Education in Pakistan (PEP) and University of Agriculture, Faisalabad contributing Rs.2 million each. Kick off ceremony is being organized in the end of this month.

Prime Minister's Youth Training Scheme

The Government of Pakistan Ministry of Inter Provincial Coordination has initiated National Internship Program (NIP) "Prime Minister's Youth Training Scheme" to provide hands on training to the young degree/diploma holders with the aim to enhance employability to educated youth. More than 200 intern(s) have joined UAF through ORIC which are being placed in the relevant department/Institutes for their hand on training as a national task.

Provision of Information for Ranking 2016

The Higher Education Commission (HEC) is committed to promote higher education in Pakistan. The ranking of universities is one of the mechanisms available to assess the quality of teaching and research in the universities and to enhance the quality of higher education.

In this regard, HEC has invited UAF to participate in Ranking 2016. ORIC is compiling the data with the co-operation of Faculty/Administrative offices / Sub campuses. All concerned offices are requested to submit requisite information within time frame to respond to the ranking agency.

Grant Writing Workshops by USPCAS-AFS and ORIC

ORIC in collaboration with US Pakistan Center for Advance Studies for Agriculture and Food Security (USPCAS-AFS) organized grant writing workshops to capacitate the researchers regarding to write a viable proposal to funding agencies especially for 2nd round of grants by USPCAS-AFS. These two workshops were organized on April 4-5 and April 6-7 at UAF where >100 researchers from UAF and other R&D organizations participated. Prof. Dr. Tom Rost, Dr. J.E. Hill, Dr. Nancy Allen from UC-Davis and Mr. Farjeel Javed were the resource persons.



How to write a winning proposals for HEC under NRPU?

ORIC is organizing capacity building workshop for the faculty members "How to write a winning proposals for HEC under NRPU", as per following schedule:

April 19, 2016 11:00 am – 12:00 Noon New Senate Hall
April 20, 2016 11:00 am – 12:00 Noon New Senate Hall

The faculty members are requested to join these sessions as per their convenience. The projects of those faculty members will be processed by ORIC only who would get this training to curtail the rejection rate by the funding agency.

Deadline to submit research proposals under NRPU by HEC is May 10, 2016. As ORIC will initially scrutinize the research proposals, it is requested to submit the research proposals to ORIC on or before April 30, 2016.

Technologies Developed for Commercialization

UAF as a seat of higher education, research outreach and advocacy has developed innovative technologies ready to be commercialized and available for the use of farming community to cater the national needs. ORIC in consultation with the inventors has compiled a technology brochure which is available on the website (www.uaf.edu.pk). Comments by the researchers to improve the compiled information will be acknowledged.



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Dawn Pakistan Food & Agri Expo 2016

University of Agriculture, Faisalabad participated in Dawn Pakistan Food & Agri Expo 2016 at Expo center Lahore. Provincial Minister for Agriculture Dr. Furrukh Javid and Prof. Dr. Iqar A Khan, Vice Chancellor UAF visited UAF Stall and appreciated the efforts of UAF team to showcase the innovative technologies for the farming community.

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