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Cities are hubs for ideas, trade, culture, science, production, social development, and other human activities. They play a crucial role in enabling people to achieve social and economic advancement. It is essential to mobilize support to ensure that policymakers are convinced of the need to include access to information in national and regional development plans.

Professor Bashar Mahmoud Ali, Chairman of the Board of Trustees of Alnoor University, participated in the launch ceremony of the “Ibn Al-Atheer Youth Creativity Award” project, organized through an initiative by Baytuna Foundation in strategic partnership with the University of Mosul. The event was attended by Dr. Richard Sunderland, Country Director of the British Council, alongside a number of academic and cultural figures and representatives of universities and institutions across Nineveh Province. Alnoor University took part as a sponsor and supporter of the project, reflecting its commitment to nurturing young talents and fostering a vibrant cultural and creative environment within the university community, as well as supporting initiatives that strengthen the cultural and civilizational identity of Mosul and Nineveh. The “Ibn Al-Atheer Youth Creativity Award” aims to discover and support talented university students in literary, artistic, and cultural fields while providing new opportunities for young people to express their abilities and creativity within a supportive academic and cultural framework. Alnoor University reaffirmed its continued support for intellectual, cultural, and youth initiatives that contribute to building an aware and creative generation capable of making a positive impact and serving society.



A delegation from Alnoor University, headed by the University President, Professor Yaseen Taha Al-Hajjar, visited Nineveh University and met with Professor Osama Al-Mashhadani, President of Nineveh University, to extend their congratulations on his safe return from performing the Hajj pilgrimage. The visit took place in a cordial atmosphere that reflected the strong academic ties between the two universities, with both sides emphasizing the importance of strengthening mutual cooperation and maintaining coordination in ways that support the advancement of higher education and the development of the academic environment in Nineveh Province. The Alnoor University delegation also expressed their sincere wishes for Professor Al-Mashhadani's continued health, well-being, and success in his duties, praying that Allah accepts his Hajj and acts of worship and that this blessed occasion returns with goodness, prosperity, and blessings.



Dr. Bashar Mahmoud Ali, Chairman of the Board of Trustees of Alnoor University, participated in the inauguration ceremony of the new Directorate of Civil Status, Passports, and Residency on the right bank of Mosul. The facility was officially opened by Dr. Hussein Al-Awadi, Senior Undersecretary of the Ministry of Interior, in the presence of several leaders and officials from the Ministry of Interior and Nineveh Governorate, as well as a number of official, security, and academic figures. The opening of the new directorate comes within the framework of enhancing the quality of services provided to citizens, reducing pressure on existing service departments in the governorate, and supporting institutional and digital transformation within the Civil Status, Passports, and Residency Directorates. Attendees emphasized the importance of the new facility in facilitating procedures for citizens and expanding modern administrative services in line with the Ministry of Interior's vision for improving institutional performance and advancing the quality of public services.



The activities of the First Scientific Forum of Civil Status, Passports, and Residency, entitled “The Journey of Development in the Institutional Transformation of Civil Status, Passports, and Residency Directorates” and held under the slogan “From Traditional Documents to Digital Identity,” were launched by the Directorate of Civil Status, Passports, and Residency in Nineveh Governorate in cooperation with Alnoor University. The forum was attended by a number of security and academic leaders, official figures, and representatives of government institutions, with the aim of highlighting the administrative and technological evolution and digital transformation of civil status, passport, and residency institutions, as well as showcasing efforts to enhance citizen services and strengthen modern digital identity systems. The event featured a documentary film about the forum, official speeches, and dialogue and research sessions that addressed institutional transformation, technological advancement, and the role of institutions in building modern government services capable of meeting future requirements. The forum reaffirmed the importance of integration between governmental and academic institutions in supporting development and digital transformation pathways and in building a more efficient and stable future that serves Iraqi citizens and keeps pace with contemporary developments. The event concluded with a special ceremony for the exchange of commemorative shields in recognition of the efforts made to ensure the success of the forum and to strengthen mutual cooperation in support of institutional development, digital transformation, and the advancement of modern services, underscoring the importance of partnership and collaboration in the success of scientific and institutional initiatives and in building a more efficient administrative and service environment.



Alnoor University welcomed a delegation from the Mosul Families Council, headed by Mr. Qutaiba Mohammed Agha, President of the Council, accompanied by several council members. They were received by university officials, who organized a field tour to introduce the delegation to the university's facilities and educational infrastructure. The visit included tours of the scientific laboratories, lecture halls, and modern infrastructure, as well as presentations on the university's expansion and development projects, newly established educational buildings, and the services provided to students. The delegation members commended the remarkable progress achieved by Alnoor University across academic, scientific, and infrastructural levels, expressing their appreciation for the efforts made to enhance the university environment and provide the requirements of modern education in a manner that contributes to producing distinguished graduates capable of serving society and the labor market. For its part, Alnoor University reaffirmed its commitment to strengthening communication with various institutions and community organizations in Nineveh Governorate, in line with its academic and societal role in supporting development and serving the people of the province.



As part of its commitment to supporting religious and community activities, Alnoor University dedicated its fleet of buses to serve visitors and participants commemorating Ashura at the Shrine of Imam Zain Al-Abidin (peace be upon him) in the village of Ali Rash. The transportation services were organized under the direct supervision of the university administration and with the support of its service and administrative departments, which provided all necessary facilities to ensure the comfort of visitors and the smooth movement of participants. This initiative reflects Alnoor University's mission of serving the community, promoting solidarity, and reinforcing its active presence in various fields that touch the lives of the people of Nineveh and Iraq as a whole.



Dr. Sallal Ali Al-Kargari, a member of the Iraqi Council of Representatives, visited Alnoor University and was received by Dr. Bashar Mahmoud Ali, Chairman of the Board of Trustees of Alnoor University. During the visit, he toured several of the university's scientific and educational facilities, including modern laboratories, specialized equipment, lecture halls, and the simulation operating room. The university also presented an overview of its academic and practical capabilities and the advanced educational environment it provides for its students. Dr. Bashar Mahmoud Ali emphasized the university's commitment to continuously developing its scientific and practical infrastructure and enhancing the quality of education in line with the requirements of modern higher education and the preparation of qualified professionals to serve society. For his part, Dr. Sallal Ali Al-Kargari praised the advanced facilities, laboratories, and scientific halls he observed, commending Alnoor University's efforts in supporting the educational process and developing the university environment in Nineveh Governorate.

