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Royal Court Chief Opens the Main Amphitheatre at Prince Hussein Building, Yarmouk University



During his official visit to a number of projects in Irbid, Ajloun, and Mafraq, the Royal Court Chief and head of the follow-up committee for the implementation of Royal initiatives, Yousef Issawi, inaugurated the “main amphitheatre” located at Prince Hussein Building, Yarmouk University, which is funded by the Arab Potash Company (APC).

Interestingly, this funding complies with His Majesty King Abdullah’s vision to improve living conditions and achieve sustainable growth across the Kingdom and with the APC’s social responsibility initiatives.

Considering that the main amphitheatre can host up to 500 people and has been equipped with “state-of-the-art” sound systems and digital screens during ongoing renovations, Yarmouk President, Prof. Zeidan Kafafi, expressed his gratitude to the APC for the implementation

of the project, in cooperation with the Royal Court. He further stressed that the amphitheatre will enhance the educational process at Yarmouk University.

Noteworthy that the inauguration ceremony was attended by Irbid Governor, Mr. Radwan Al-Otoom, APC’s Chairman of the Board of Directors, Jamal Sarayrah, and several Yarmouk deans and academic and administrative staff members.



Cooperation between Yarmouk and Ipark

The president of Yarmouk University, Prof. Zeidan Kafafi, recently met with the director of the Intellectual Property Trade Office of the Scientific Association (Ipark), Dr. Mohammad Jaafari. The meeting was part of congregation of the International Initiative Committee, which aims at supporting the universal innovation environment, 'The Next Society', strengthening the values of creativity, pushing development efforts, and developing scientific research in which Yarmouk University is pioneering among other Jordanian institutions.

During the meeting, the two parties discussed possible cooperation between Yarmouk University and the Intellectual Property Trading Office in the fields of training and consultation, which should result in exchanging experiences and knowledge among the two parties. Prof. Kafafi confirmed Yarmouk's interest in participating in international projects of all fields as such participation benefits the university as well as the teaching board, contributes to exchanging experiences and scientific skills among participants of the project, provides an idea about other pioneering educational associations' experiences, and enables the deployment of such experiences for developing the educational process at Yarmouk University. This eventually, as Prof. Kafafi stated, reflects on the level of Yarmouk's graduates who will help to renew national associations and push the sustainable development process in all sectors.

Pointing out the need to activate cooperation between the different scientific, research, and academic institutions with the university, Prof. Kafafi stressed the depth of relations between Yarmouk University and the Royal Scientific Society, which is considered an incubator of creativity and innovation. He confirmed that the cooperation always leads to exchanging experiences and joint work, which results in advancing Jordan's academic institutions and keeping pace with the tremendous developments witnessed by the world in the fields of information and technology transfer and intellectual property. He also noted that knowledge is no longer exclusive to any party and does belong to all people and that the



great overlap between multiple sciences opens great prospects for creativity and innovation, considering the inevitable need for basic sciences despite the huge developments and major changes in all scientific fields. Prof. Kafafi added that Yarmouk, as one of the leading Jordanian universities, is keen to expand bridges of cooperation with the various scientific and research institutions to pelletizing scientific research along with encouraging creativity and innovation, considering that Yarmouk was established to be an incubator of science and academic research that contributes to the development of the society.

In return, Jaafari stressed the keenness of the Royal Scientific Society to institutionalize cooperation relations with the various Jordanian universities, pointing out the readiness of the Intellectual Property Trade Office to provide all training and consultation services to Yarmouk University, as one of the pillars of scientific research in Jordan. He mentioned that Yarmouk was the first university in Jordan to compose intellectual property instructions, which took place in 1978. He then reviewed the services of the Intellectual Property Trade Office, which seeks to support technology transfer offices in the national institutions, and emphasized their role in achieving development and entrepreneurship and supporting innovation.

Yarmouk Displays the Jordanian Film "Theeb" at Yarmouk

Within the activities of the first summer cultural season of the library of Hussein bin Talal at Yarmouk University, supported by the Jordan Kuwait Bank, the library, in cooperation with the Royal Film Commission, screened the Jordanian film "Theeb" directed by Naji Abu Nawar, at 8:00 pm. The event was attended by a large crowd of the members of the academic and administrative bodies, and students.

Prof. Zeidan Kafafi, the President of the University, praised the efforts of the staff of the activities of the first summer cultural season of the library, stressing the importance of holding such diverse literary, cultural, and artistic events, which stimulate the minds of university students, develop their skills, and enrich their cultural outcome. He also mentioned that such events establish the principle of effective partnership between the university and various national institutions.

Noteworthy mentioning here that Theeb, a Jordanian film released in 2014, tells the story of a Bedouin boy wandering in the desert of Wadi Rum and seeking to survive his life. It takes place in



the second decade of the twentieth century during the Great Arab Revolt against the Ottoman Empire. The film seeks to identify the joints of Bedouin life, charm, the risks, hardship and manifestations of masculinity. The film achieved a qualitative leap in the Jordanian cinema by reaching the Oscar nominations as the first film of the young director and being nominated for the Academy Award for 2016 for the best foreign language film.

Enhancement of Cooperation with the US Embassy in Amman

The President of Yarmouk University Prof. Zeidan Kafafi met with a delegation from the American Embassy in Amman among whom were a number of cultural affairs officials and the regional office of the English language at the embassy. The two parties discussed many ways of enhancing cooperation between the university and the embassy in a number of areas of common interest.

During the meeting, Kafafi stressed Yarmouk University's keenness to strengthen the ties of cooperation with the American Embassy on the one hand and the various American universities, institutions, and educational institutes on the other. He also expressed his hope to expand the base of cooperation with the Embassy in the fields of cultural exchange and to attract American students wishing to learn Arabic in the University's Language Center, which has a distinguished academic reputation at the international level. He pointed out that the Center includes a number of lecturers who are capable of teaching the Arabic language in modern methods to ensure students master the basic skills of the Arabic language. In addition, Prof. Kafafi emphasized the possibility of cooperation between the university and the embassy through a number of developmental projects that contribute to the revitalization of tourism in the northern region of Jordan, Irbid governorate in particular. He then expressed the willingness of Yarmouk to cooperate with the embassy in the field of establishing a training program for students and those wishing to complete their graduate studies at American universities. Kafafi then proceeded to talk about the willingness of Yarmouk to become a center for holding qualifying courses to pass the GRE test in the region and probably be a place for holding the test itself in the future.

On their behalf, the delegation praised the distinguished scientific



reputation of Yarmouk University, which called on the embassy to choose Yarmouk University to establish a training program for qualifying students to pass the international ability test GRE. The embassy expressed its devotion to support the links of scientific and cultural cooperation with Yarmouk University in various fields, considering it as one of the pioneering educational institutions in Jordan.

The meeting was attended by two Vice Presidents of the University, the Deans of the Faculty of Education and the Faculty of Scientific Research and Graduate Studies, the Director of the Language Center, the Director of the Department of International Relations and Projects, the CEO of the National Center for Curriculum Development, and other officials from the two sides.

Launching and Updating New Electronic Systems and Services

The Computer and Information Center of Yarmouk University has developed, launched, and updated a set of new electronic systems and services for students and faculty members. Among these electronic services outstands an electronic university enrollment system for Diploma programs in the Faculty of Education, which is launched in collaboration with the Admission and Registration Department. Also, the payment service of all electronic enrollment applications (Higher Education, Parallel Education, and Diploma) is made electronic through E-fawateercom service, thus making tuition payment easier for those who wish to enroll in the university.

Moreover, in collaboration with the Deanship of Scientific Research and Graduate Studies, the Computer and Information Center computerized the process of applying for scientific publishing incentives for the academic faculty members through its (LTR) system username registration.

Besides, the Computer Center in collaboration with the Department of Human Resources/Health Insurance sect. launched four new electronic services for the members of both the academic and administrative bodies in the university. The first new service is uploading or changing personal pictures for the participants or users of the university health insurance electronically. Second,

in collaboration with the concerned liaison officer, the service of applying for cellular lines and Internet subscription was also launched electronically. Third, in collaboration with the Department of Supplies, the Center launched the service of investigating about the custody of the buildings by the deans or directors of the different organizational units, leave aside the head of the divan section. Fourth, the Center launched the service of providing the return of the custody of the building electronically (through the dean, director of the organizational unit, and/or head of the divan section).

However, the director of the Computer Center, Mr. Eshaq Matalqah, pointed out that the electronic applications offered by the Computer and Information Center have now reached a total of 50 services. He mentioned that these new services and systems come within the plan of the Computer and Information Center to lessen the paperwork used at the university, which saves effort, time, as well as money and helps the university gets rid of the traditional paperwork used in the university's official internal mail. In addition, Mr. Matalqah referred to the fact that the Center has started a new server hardware system which guarantees fast response and high-quality performance of the university hardware system, specifically the Student Information System (SIS) and the Employee Self Service system (ESS).

Cooperation between YU and Saudi Arabia Cultural Mission



The president of Yarmouk University, Prof. Zeidan Kafafi, met the Acting Cultural Attache in the Saudi embassy, Ibrahim Al-Saadon, in Amman. The two parties discussed methods of reinforcing the means of cooperation as well as some important cases and concerns of the Saudi students at Yarmouk University.

Prof. Kafafi confirmed that Yarmouk University is keen to providing its students with the highest levels of care and constantly encourages them to participate in different activities arranged by the deanship of students affairs, which reflects positively on their personalities and contributes to developing their communication skills. He explained that this helps students to assimilate better into the student body of the university, which provides students with a broader knowledge of other cultures, expands their horizon, and qualifies them to become good citizens. This also, as Prof. Kafafi explained, allows students to

become capable of giving and making the required developments in their professional life on the local and regional level.

Moreover, Prof. Kafafi stated that Yarmouk University seeks to attract more Saudi students to attend Yarmouk University, pointing out the importance of reinforcing the affairs of cooperation with the Saudi Cultural Mission on one hand and other Saudi universities on the other hand. He explained that doing that should help in exchanging academic experiences among faculty members and developing higher education in the Middle East. Furthermore, Prof. Kafafi pointed to Yarmouk's interest in developing and updating its study plans, creating the necessary educational environment for its students, and providing students with the latest scientific innovations, as such a strategy qualifies students to become representatives of Yarmouk University in the labor market.

In his turn, Al-Saadon praised the unique intellectual reputation of Yarmouk University and pointed out the fact that Saudi students who graduate from Yarmouk always prove themselves as qualified workers in different job positions. Al-Saadon also expressed his appreciation and gratitude for the unique assistance Yarmouk provides for its Saudi students and its continuing contact with the Saudi embassy to handle any obstacles that may challenge Saudi students at the university level.

It is noteworthy that the number of Saudi students attending the different scientific degrees and academic majors in Yarmouk University is about 113 students. However, the meeting was attended by the Dean of the Faculty of Science, Prof. Nehad Yousef, the Vice Dean of the Faculty of Medicine, Dr. Zain Al-Abdeen Abdullah, and several other officials in the university.

Petra Training Program for YU Students of Mass Communication

Twenty-two students from the Faculty of Mass Communication at Yarmouk University completed a two-month field training program, which included practical and field training in the press directorates, at the Jordanian News Agency, Petra. The General Director of the Jordan News Agency, Fayrouz Mubaideen, stressed the importance of field training in providing students with practical skills and professional experiences. She reviewed the role of Petra's Training Directorate in the service of governmental institutions and media faculties at universities and pointed out that Petra is always up to date regarding any technological developments that the press and media sects are witnessing. She also encouraged students to get a hold of modern media tools and to take advantage of the high professional standards adopted by the agency in its editorial policy.

For his part, prof. Ali Al-Zinat from the Faculty of Mass Communication at Yarmouk University praised Petra's professional competencies and its contribution to the enhancement of students' professional skills and conception of



professionalism. Besides, the participant students confirmed that they have acquired many skills after practicing journalism in the various directorates of the Agency and expressed their gratitude to Yarmouk and Petra for offering them such an opportunity. At the end, certificates were delivered to the program's students.

Cooperation with the Malaysian University of Pahang

The Vice President of Yarmouk University for Student Affairs and External Relations, Prof. Fawwaz Al-Abed Al-Haq, met the Dean of the Faculty of Islamic Studies and Arabic Language of the Pahang Foundation University in Malaysia, Prof. Muhammad Rashimi, and they discussed ways to enhance cooperation between Yarmouk and Pahang. At the beginning of the meeting, Prof. Al-Abed Al-Haq stressed Yarmouk University's keenness to expand its cooperation with various international educational institutions, as doing this complies with the university's vision to become universal and exchange experiences and ideas with different partners to reflect positively on the educational process and the level of the university graduates. Also, Prof. Al-Abed Al-Haq praised the depth of the academic relations between Yarmouk University and Pahang Foundation and expressed Yarmouk's readiness to expand the fields of cooperation and activate them in areas of common interest, especially in the field of holding lectures, and participating in scientific events and seminars through video communication. Moreover, Prof. Al-Abed Al-Haq pointed out that Yarmouk is keen to take care of its new students from various Arab, Western, and Islamic nationalities and emphasized Yarmouk's strategy to involve the Malaysian arrivals into the various extracurricular activities organized by the Deanship of Students Affairs at the University, thus sharpening their skills and enhancing cultural exchange among university students. He then proceeded to praising the outstanding level of the Malaysian students studying in Yarmouk in various academic disciplines and acknowledged their commitment to the



regulations and laws of the University.

In his turn, Prof. Rashimi thanked Yarmouk University for its unwavering care for Malaysian students and stressed the keenness of his own faculty supported by the Pahang Foundation to send more students to Yarmouk University. He praised the scientific reputation of Yarmouk and the outstanding level of the university graduates of Malaysian students who proved their competence in many different job positions back home. He also expressed his hope to benefit from the experiences of Yarmouk University in developing and updating the study plans for several academic programs at Pahang Foundation University and to renew the agreement between the two sides and expand the fields of cooperation between the two parties.

The First Cultural Summer of Yarmouk's Library



New World New Mind: Moving Toward Conscious Evolution by Robert Ornstein and Paul Ehrlich, translated by Ahmad Mustageer, was discussed in the presence of the University Vice President for Student Affairs and External Relations, Prof. Fawwaz Al-Abed Al-Haq. The event took place during the first summer cultural ceremonies arranged by Al-Hussein bin Talal library at Yarmouk University in collaboration with Irbid Directorate of Culture. The novelists, namely Hashem Gharaibeh, Rawanda Kafarneh, and Muath Bani Amer participated in discussing the book, specifically the effects and inventions of mankind in our world. They pointed out that the 'development' that mankind has achieved in the world has created many damages that humans aren't fully aware of yet.

Also, they confirmed that humans must take a second look at the world and start creating new ways of thinking to be suitable for the world as we know it today. Otherwise, the world will suffer severe consequences that will wipe out all previous civilizations.

In addition, the library hosted a musical concert called "Oriental Summer", which was played by a band from Krishindo Institute of Music and Arts, which was established in 2015 and became then an important provider of creative artistic individuals in Jordan. The band performed many songs of the Jordanian-Palestinian heritage featuring the artists, Yazan Sabagh, Lena Saadah, and Natali Samaan who were accompanied by their supervisor, Omar Abaad. The concert was patronized by the Vice President for Scientific Faculties and Administrative Affairs, Prof. Anis Khassawneh.

Moreover, the library offered a movie's premiere of the Palestinian movie "Palestine Stereo", which was written and directed by Rasheed Mshharawi in the outdoor courtyard. The movie tells the story of two siblings from Jenine refugee camp who have been hurt badly since moving there. Therefore, they have decided to open an audio hardware rental shop for ceremonial necessities in order to collect enough money to emigrate from Palestine to Canada. Yet, their project does not go as planned. However, after the movie's premiere, a discussion of movie was directed by Dr. Mohammad Al-Omari of the Faculty of Education.

Signing Agreement with the 'Sport for Regional Development', GIZ

Yarmouk University signed a cooperation agreement with the 'Sport for Regional Development' program of the German Agency for International Cooperation (GIZ), which aims at supporting the cooperation between the two sides in sports related issues at the national level, and at developing and widening sports and physical activities field in Jordan. The cooperation agreement was signed by the president of the university, Prof. Zeidan Kafafi and by the Director of the 'Sport for Regional Development' Project in Jordan, Mr. Henning Schick.

According to the agreement, the 'Sport for Regional Development' program will provide an intensive and integrated workshop for students of the Faculty of Physical Education at the university focusing on the skills necessary to prepare them to be trainers and teachers to train school students and children in sports and explore the skills of the talented to develop them.

During the signing ceremony, Prof. Kafafi stressed that Yarmouk is keen on preparing its students and equipping them with the necessary scientific and practical skills and raising their academic and professional level in order to qualify them to enter the labor market. Thus, they can play their role in developing national institutions and supporting the sustainable development process in all sectors. He also pointed out the university's relentless devotion to update and develop the plans and curricula of the faculty to keep pace with the developments witnessed in the world in all fields. In addition, Prof. Kafafi stressed the need to support Jordanian athletes and local sports clubs by developing their athletic skills,



thus elevating them in sports competitions enrollment at the local, regional, and international levels.

For his part, Mr. Schick praised the distinguished scientific reputation of YU in the region, pointing out that 'Sport for Development' is a regional program implemented in both Jordan and Iraq. He explained that the program seeks to harness sport and use it as a tool to support social cohesion and prevent violence between children and youth. The program, through the application of a sports methodology specifically designed for school students and members of the community, allows the targeted members to properly engage in sports and develop the skills of the talented, and support them to achieve their ambitions and dreams.

Cooperation between Yarmouk and Huawei in Jordan



The Vice President of Yarmouk University for Scientific Faculties and Financial Affairs, Prof. Ahmad Al-Ajlouni, has met with Huang Chesi, the Public Relations Manager at Huawei in Jordan, and they discussed possible cooperation between the two sides in areas of mutual interest. Al-Ajlouni affirmed Yarmouk's devotion to extend cooperation with Huawei, considering it as one of the leading companies at the international level in the ICT sector. Also, he pointed out the widespread achievement of the company in Jordan through its cooperation with Jordanian telecommunications companies. Then he expressed his hope that the cooperation between Yarmouk and Huawei will be framed to establish the "Huawei Academy" at the university, which is a platform for training and developing human resources in the ICT sector. Prof. Al-Ajlouni explained that

such an academy supports the plans and visions of the university to train students and qualify them with modern scientific skills and knowledge and that it may direct all vital sectors to advanced technological solutions. Moreover, Prof. Al-Ajlouni emphasized the high scientific level of graduates of Hijjawi Faculty of Engineering and the Faculty of Information Technology and Computer Science at the University, who have proven their competence in the labor market and received multiple scientific awards at the local, regional and international level. He added that the university seeks to engage its students in various methodological and extracurricular competitions, believing in the importance of these participations to develop the participants' skills and enrich their knowledge, thus raising the level of competitiveness in the labor market.

In his turn, Chesi praised the outstanding scientific reputation of Yarmouk University, especially in the fields of engineering and information technology, and he expressed his hope that a huge number of university students would participate in Huawei ICT competition for the Middle East this year. He explained that the competition aims at developing the talents in the ICT industry. However, Chesi pointed out the possibility of working by both sides and framing future cooperation between Huawei and YU in areas of common interest. He also emphasized the possibility of opening the Huawei Academy at Yarmouk University to provide training and rehabilitation services for university students and community members in the Northern region.

Yarmouk Concludes a “RIADI” Project within the EU-funded HOPES Program



The President of Yarmouk University, Prof. Zeidan Kafafi, sponsored the closing ceremony of the “RIADI” project, which is implemented by the University under the framework of the scholarship of the HOPES program funded by the European Regional Trust Fund for Responding to the Syrian Crisis “Madad Fund”, which is executed by the German Scientific Exchange DAAD in partnership with the British Cultural Center, Campus France, and the Dutch Organisation for Internationalisation in Education (Nuffic). In a speech delivered during the ceremony, Kafafi stressed the university's interest to provide a sound educational environment for its students, offer various academic programs that meet their aspirations, and include distinguished competencies in their teaching and administrative staff, thus preparing students and qualifying them with the leading skills necessary to enable them economically and socially. He then pointed out that Yarmouk University has always been able to achieve balance between its academic programs dealing with various humanities, scientific, and medical topics; simultaneously, it has always sought to develop new academic programs that keep pace with the changes in the world in various scientific fields.

Prof. Kafafi further explained that Yarmouk, as a national institution that has a social responsibility towards the local community, was the pioneer in the establishment of the Refugees, Displaced Persons and Forced Migration Studies Center in 1992. He explained that since the beginning of the

Syrian crisis, the University has implemented nearly twenty international projects to serve Syrian refugees in the northern region of Jordan attempting to qualify and prepare refugees to be productive individuals in the host communities.

In his turn, the project director, the Director of International Relations and Projects at the university, Dr. Mowaffaq Ootom, explained that the number of Syrian refugees officially registered in Jordan in 2018 reached 657,628, and that a large number of them were concentrated in the northern region, especially in Irbid governorate, which caused a great pressure on the Jordanian society, especially at the educational sector and the labor market. Thus, the idea of the project focused on entrepreneurship and providing young people with the appropriate

skills to build their future aspirations. He also mentioned that through the project, a business incubator was established on the campus, thus providing an opportunity for Jordanian youth and Syrian refugees to design and develop their entrepreneurial ideas.

Dr. Nasser Al Hindawi from HOPES thanked Jordan for its cooperation in the success of this project, praising the efforts of the project team who supported the students and motivated them to keep developing their entrepreneurial ideas through creating short-term projects that can enable them to build their future. He pointed out that the HOPES program received 128 requests for projects support and that just eight projects were selected. Among those eight, as he mentioned, four projects are from Yarmouk University, something that indicates the outstanding level of projects submitted by the university and the outstanding supervision devoted by the faculty members of the university to their students.

During the closing ceremony, the incubator's director, Dr. Yazan Al-Essa, briefly introduced the ideas adopted by the incubator and the stages of translating them into projects on the ground. However, the ceremony was attended by the Director of the DAAD Office in Jordan, Gabriela von Verkes, a number of deans, faculty members, university officials, students involved in the project, and some students' families.

Support Received from Erasmus + to the Faculty of Medicine at YU

The Faculty of Medicine at Yarmouk University, in partnership with its counterparts from the faculties of medicine in the Jordanian public universities and with the support of the European Union in the Erasmus + program, received a fund for developing the study plans in the medical major. The Dean of the Faculty of Medicine at the University, Dr. Wissam Shehadeh, expressed his gratitude to the project team members who came from the different Jordanian universities and who contributed to the preparation of the project. He emphasized that the project will lead to a qualitative leap in the study plans of medical faculties as well as medical education in Jordan. In addition, he appreciated the efforts made by Erasmus+ staff and their continuous contribution to various universities and educational institutions in Jordan.

Discussing Cooperation with St. Olaf College



The Vice President of Yarmouk University for Humanities Faculties and Administrative Affairs, Prof. Anis Khassawneh, discussed with a delegation from St. Olaf College in Northfield, USA ways of scientific and research cooperation in the field of refugee studies. Prof. Khassawneh stressed that YU was the forerunner among the Jordanian educational institutions with respect to paying attention to refugees' studies through the establishment of the Refugees, Displaced Persons and Forced Migration Studies Center, which is concerned with spreading community awareness regarding asylum issues.

Pointing out that the Center holds conferences, seminars and workshops on issues of asylum, displacement, and forced migration, Prof. Khassawneh asserted that Yarmouk is ready to receive students from St. Olaf College who are interested in working in the field of refugees' studies and displaced persons. He also stated that YU is willing to integrate those students in Arabic language programs for non-native speakers, so they can conduct research studies on

asylum issues with high efficiency and credibility. Moreover, Prof. Khassawneh said that YU hosts a group of Syrian students who continue their studies in various disciplines through grants provided to them under the cooperation agreements concluded with the university. In her turn, Dr. Ibtisam Al-Atiyat, Professor of Sociology at St. Olaf College, praised the distinguished level of Yarmouk University in general, and the Refugees, Displaced Persons and Forced Migration Studies Center in particular, which has a distinguished scientific reputation. Then she called for strengthening cooperation between the two sides by receiving a number of Yarmouk students at St. Olaf College for conducting studies and scientific research specializing in asylum and displacement issues.

In response, Dr. Ayat Nashwan, the director of Refugees, Displaced Persons and Forced Migration Studies Center at that time, reviewed the establishment of the Center, its objectives and activities on various issues related to asylum. She pointed out that the Center seeks to communicate with refugees inside and outside the camps and works to find effective solutions to the problems they face through research and field studies conducted by the Center in cooperation with various international organizations.

However, during their visit to the university, the delegation reviewed the support and service unit for refugee students at the university R-SOS Unit of the Rescue project in which YU participates and aims to build research cooperation with participating universities to deal with refugee issues. As Prof. Khassawneh explained, this unit was established and outfitted with modern equipment that enables the Refugees and Displaced Persons Center to develop its research and training programs and build sustainable services that serve refugees and refugee issues.

Through Erasmus +, YU Receives EU Support

An academic research team from Yarmouk University, in partnership with the Spanish University of Granada and a number of Palestinian and European universities, has received support from the European Union, within the Erasmus + program, to implement a project that aims at establishing and developing a training diploma on the neurological development of refugee children in the host communities.

The project, entitled NeuCaRe, is based on learning outcomes and the use of ICTs and integrated education, and it includes

educational tools, methodologies, and pedagogical and social methods. Through the project, new and innovative curricula and teaching methodologies will be developed and a variety of courses on care and neurological development of refugee children will be introduced.

The team from Yarmouk University includes Dr. Ayat Nashwan of the Faculty of Arts, Dr. Anas Al-Subuh of the Faculty of Information Technology and Computer Science, Dr. Muawiya Al-Khatatbeh from the Faculty of Medicine, and Dr. Ibtisam Rababaa from the Faculty of Education.