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## **AUB appoints leading management scholar as Dean of the Olayan School of Business**

**Beirut, Lebanon- 13/08/2015** - Steve Harvey, PhD, a recognized scholar in management and human resources, has been appointed as the new dean of the Suliman S. Olayan School of Business (OSB) at the American University of Beirut (AUB). Dr. Harvey is currently the dean of the John Molson School of Business at Concordia University in Montreal, Canada, which is ranked by both the *Economist* and *Bloomberg Businessweek* amongst the best business schools worldwide. Dr. Harvey will assume his post at AUB in January 2016.

Dr. Harvey's areas of expertise include: organization staffing, management, human resource management, organizational behavior, occupational stress and wellness and organizational conflict and negotiations. As dean, he has experience in introducing innovative new programs in both regular and executive education. In addition to his work in higher education, Dr. Harvey has served as a consultant to the private and non-profit sectors. He regularly presents his work at international conferences and has published in diverse journals such as: *Work and Stress, Journal of Occupational Health Psychology, Journal of Business and Psychology, Canadian Psychology, Personality and Individual Differences and Social Behaviour and Personality*.

Prior to Concordia University, Dr. Harvey served as Dean of the Williams School of Business and the Associate Vice Principal, Research at Bishop's University in Canada. Dr. Harvey received his PhD in Industrial and Organizational Psychology from the University of Guelph in Canada.

AUB President-elect Fadlo R. Khuri said, "I am both pleased and excited that Dr. Harvey is joining AUB to lead the Olayan School of Business. Out of an outstanding list of highly competitive candidates, Dr. Harvey was the unanimous choice of the Search Committee, and his recruitment was unanimously endorsed by the Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees. He is a committed, strategic and accomplished leader of one of North America's leading and largest business schools. Dr. Harvey is an innovator and his scholarly areas of research are highly relevant to the interests of our faculty, students and their employers. As a key member of AUB's senior leadership, the entire University will benefit from Dr. Harvey's expertise."

"I am delighted to have this opportunity" said Dr. Harvey. "The Olayan School of Business is widely recognized as the finest business school in the Arab world. I look forward to working with President Khuri and the OSB faculty to deliver an outstanding experience to students. I am equally interested in engaging with the dynamic business community of the region and AUB's many highly accomplished alumni."

Acting AUB President Makhoul Haddadin said "We were extremely impressed with Dr. Harvey's accomplishments at Concordia University. We have recruited a dynamic and respected leader in higher education for the Olayan School of Business. He will bring great experience and innovative proposals to teaching, research and executive education at AUB." AUB Interim Provost Muhamad Harajli said, "Dr. Harvey brings the best of business school education and practices to AUB. In a highly competitive global environment, education and

advanced training at OSB will give every ambitious student, company and organization a distinct advantage."

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