



Dr. Adib Saad's Retirement Honoring Ceremony

___ Workshops and Conferences

Workshops on Biologically Based Integrated Pest Management for Sustainable Vegetable Production

The workshops, held on February 24 and February 28, 2017, were based on local experiences and trials that were conducted in cooperation with the University of Vermont, USA, and funded by the Conservation, Food & Health Foundation.

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Dr. Vikram Bisht, Expert in Plant Pathology, Gives Insight on Seed Potato Production

The Agriculture department at FAFS in cooperation with USAID Farmer-to-Farmer program, implemented in Lebanon by Land O'Lakes International development, invited Professor Vikram Bisht to give a presentation entitled "Seed Potato Production and Diseases in Canada" on February 13, 2017.

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___ Research and Outreach

FAFS Dean Nahla Hwalla's Interview about FAFS New Masters Program in Food Security

Dr. Nahla Hwalla discusses the relevance of food and nutrition security during an interview with Ms. Rachel Bahn of the Food Security Program.

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Dr. Mohamad Farran Appointed as Advisor to the Minister of Agriculture

Dr. Mohamad Farran has been appointed as an advisor to His Excellency the Minister of Agriculture, Ghazi Zeaiter, as of February 1, 2017.

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FAFS Hosts "Training of Trainers Workshop Targeting Syrian Refugee Teachers and Health Care Providers"

The workshop was a capacity building opportunity for school teachers and health care providers working with Syrian refugee children and youth within informal tented settlements and schools in the area of West Bekaa.

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FAFS Hosts "Tackling the Health and Nutritional Status of Syrian Refugees: Comparisons between Lebanon and Germany" Roundtable Discussion

The roundtable event intended to share information, experiences, and lessons learned from research on food and nutrition security among Syrian refugees in Germany as compared to Lebanon. This will help identify research gaps, and propose research efforts and recommendations moving forward.

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FAFS' Faculty Members Participate in AUB4Refugees Forum: A Narrative of Hope

The AUB4Refugees Initiative was launched to gather AUB members and many different groups who are addressing the impacts of the Syrian refugee crisis. Three of our valued FAFS Faculty members delivered presentations during this forum: Dr. Lamis Jomaa, Dr. Salma N. Talhouk and Mrs. Dominique Anid.

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NFSC Organized the "HACCP for Food Service Facilities" Workshop

Participants learned food safety principles, Good Manufacturing Practices (GMP), Standard Operation Procedures (SOP), methods of auditing and principles of the Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Points (HACCP) of food safety system.

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Food Security Post-Conflict: A Foundation for Peace and Sustainable Development

Food security was the focus of a panel entitled, "Food Security Post-Conflict: A Foundation for Peace and Development" within the Office of Strategic Health Initiatives conference on Rebuilding Health Post-Conflict: A Dialogue for the Future held on the AUB campus.

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FAFS Students Attend Vitas' Training Workshop

Fifteen students from the AUB Agribusiness Program participated in a "Build Your Business" training workshop at Vitas Lebanon headquarters where they learned the fundamentals of entrepreneurship.

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FAFS Career Services Organized the "Personal Branding through Social Media" Workshop

During this workshop, FAFS graduate and undergraduate students learned more about social media, job hunting and personal branding skills.

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FAFS Career Services Organized a "CV Writing, Cover Letter & Interview Skills" Workshop

The attendees enjoyed a practical learning workshop that focused on how to write a winning CV and a captivating cover letter.

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LDEM Alumni's Project Wins the Public Spaces Category of the Lebanese Architect Awards

FAFS LDEM alumni Zeina Kronfol and Pamela Haydamous, won the Public Spaces category of the 2017 Lebanese Architect Awards for their project entitled "Karantina Play Garden: Space for Encounters".

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FAFS Professor Elie Barbour's TV Interview about the New Emerging Avian Influenza "H5N8"

Dr. Barbour spoke about this influenza's dangers, how is it spreading, and provided suggestions on how to protect ourselves from catching this flu.

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FAFS Professor Elie Barbour's TV Interview about the "Problem of Seagulls and Aviation Safety in Beirut Airport"

Dr. Barbour recommends that "a specialized company should have its professionals organize and ensure an overall sweep of the area, to know the initial source of the problem that is attracting these birds".

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LDEM Student Receives UNIDO's Honor Award

LDEM student Thea Maria Maroun received the honor award for the international United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO)'s 50th Anniversary Youth Competition.

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Could Algae Be the Fuel of The Future? FAFS Professor Yussuf Abou Jawdah & AUB Research Team Contribute to Environmental Sustainability

Dr. Yusuf Abou Jawdah, along with other AUB's professors, won the National Energy Globe Award for their research on the micro-algal diversity of coastal areas of the Mediterranean Sea.

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__ Events

FAFS Welcomes Drs. Elie Jacques Fares and Issmat Kassem

On February 22, 2017, FAFS faculty members and staff gathered to welcome Drs. Elie Jacques Fares and Issmat Kassem to the Faculty as Assistant Professors of Clinical and Sports Nutrition and Food Microbiology at NFSC.

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Dr. Susan Marie Prattis' Farewell

On January 18, 2017, FAFS faculty and staff gathered on the occasion of Dr. Susan Marie Prattis' farewell and wished her the best of luck in her future endeavors.

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Dr. Adib Saad's Retirement Honoring Ceremony

FAFS honored Dr. Adib Saad for over 50 years of loyalty with a reception held in Mary Dodge Hall on December 16, 2016.

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Dr. Ioannis Savvaidis' farewell

On December 16, 2016, FAFS faculty and staff gathered to bid farewell to Dr. Ioannis Savvaidis and wished him the best of luck in his future endeavors.

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AUB's ESDU and Food Heritage Foundation (FHF) Participate in the Food & Agriculture Organization and the World Health Organization's International Symposium

The conference entitled "Sustainable Food Systems for Healthy Diets and Improved Nutrition", took place at FAO's headquarters in Rome as a follow up to the Second International Conference on Nutrition and was attended by 800 participants from around the globe.

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— Announcements

Funded PhD in Environmental Economics at the University of New Hampshire

FAFS students can now apply for a funded 4-year Ph.D. degree program in economics in the field of Environmental Economics, at the University of New Hampshire (UNH).

The application must be completed by March 15, 2017.

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Apply to the 2017 – 2018 Cohort of the MasterCard Foundation Scholars Program

FAFS is now accepting applications for the 2017-2018 cohort of the MasterCard Foundation Scholars Program.

Deadline for Undergraduate applications: March 24, 2017.

Deadline for Graduate programs applications: April 3, 2017.

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Purpan Summer Study Abroad Program (SSAP) 2017

Second Year Agriculture, Agribusiness and Food Science & Management Students have the opportunity to register for SSAP 2017 in Purpan School of Engineering, University of Toulouse, Toulouse, France. Deadline for application: March 15, 2017.

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