Information Day & launching PQSB 2\textsuperscript{nd} Call

Exchange of the Palestinian Researchers

Palestinian Quebec Science Bridge / PQSB

Fonds de Recherche du Québec & Palestine Academy for Science and Technology

27 October 2018

The main goal of the PQSB is to Support short-term scientific missions (two to six months) for Palestinian researchers whose research has already produced notable results in any of the fields of health sciences, natural sciences and engineering, or social sciences and humanities, arts and letters. The first Call was launched in January 2018. Researchers were selected from 13 Palestinian Higher Education Institutions, and the selection processes was transparent based on merit.

Venue: Grand Park Hotel - Ramallah

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<td>9:30-10:00</td>
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<td>Moderator: Dr. Jamil Khader</td>
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<td>- H. E. Prof. Marwan Awartani, PALAST President</td>
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<td>- Dr. Serge Marchand- the Scientific Director of the Quebec Health Research Fund (FRQS)</td>
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<td>10:30-10:45</td>
<td>Presenting the Results/Recommendations of the First Call</td>
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<td>10:45-11:15</td>
<td><strong>Session I: Experience of the First Round Participants</strong></td>
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<td>Moderator: Prof. Naji Qatanani</td>
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<td>- <strong>Bilal Shafei</strong>: Linguistic Variations of French in Canada, Al-Najah National University &amp; Université de Montréal</td>
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<td>- <strong>Sherin Hazboun</strong>: Automatic Control of multi-crossroad intersections by an intelligent traffic light system, Bethlehem University &amp; Université de Sherbrooke</td>
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<td>- <strong>Khader Juma</strong>: The effects of explicit translation on second language writing skill development, Bethlehem University and Université Laval</td>
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<td>- <strong>Alex Hadweh</strong>: Foreign exchange risk exposure for Palestinian firms and industries: new evidence, Bethlehem University &amp; Concordia University</td>
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<td>- <strong>Murad Ishnaiwer</strong>: Human genome editing to confer resistance to HIV-1, Palestine Polytechnic University Université du Québec à Trois-Rivières</td>
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<td>- <strong>Kifah Manasra</strong>: Personal Traits of Those Who Commit Sexual Crimes against Children in the Palestinian Reform and rehabilitation Centers, Al-istiqlal Université du Québec en Abitibi-Témiscamingue</td>
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| 11:30-12:00 | **Session II: Experience of the First Round Participants**  
Moderator: Dr. Mahmoud Manasra |
|        | - **Amer Shehadeh**: psychological and social well being, Al-Istiqlal University & Université du Québec en Outaouais  
|        | - **Saliha Salawdeh**: Co-teaching, a solution to address (fight) academic failure: Study case on Quebecoise and Palestinian schools, Al-Quds University & Université Laval  
|        | - **Samer Radad**: Between Quebec and Palestine: Participation of Urban Farmers in the Urban Development Process, Al-Quds University & Concordia University  
|        | - **Manal Sharabati**: Governance and Information Technologies Auditing, Palestine Technical University - Kadoorie & Université du Québec en Outaouais  
|        | - **Saeed Mousa**: Social innovation in the context of industry 4.0 and its impact on sustainability, Palestine Technical University – Kadoorie & Université du Québec à Rimouski  
|        | - **Karim Abuawad**: The Aesthetic Faces of a Literary Encounter, Birzeit University & Université McGill  
|        | - **Ammar Abu-Houdrouss**: Differential Enhanced/Double Spatial Modulation, Islamic University of Gaza & Institut national de la recherche scientifique |
| 12:00-13:00 | **Launching of the Second Call + Q&A**  
Hisham Qaddumi |
| 12:00-13:00 | Video Testimonial by participating researchers |
| 13:00   | Lunch |
| 14:00   | Business Meeting for PQSB Advisory and Steering Committee (followed by lunch) |