

Qatar Foundation Research Division is pleased to announce the Seventh Lecture in the **Qatar Foundation Distinguished Lecture Series**

Professor the Lord Darzi of Denham PC, KBE

“Health Care Reforms – Quality and Innovation”

Date: Monday, 22nd November 2010
Time: 9:00 am – 12:00 pm
Venue: Lecture Hall 4 – Weill Cornell Medical College in Qatar
Education City, Doha

The **Qatar Foundation Distinguished Lecture Series** involves a lecture by distinguished speakers who speaks on a niche area of science that affects our daily lives. The lecture is followed by a discussion session with the speaker.

Admission is free and reservation is on first come first served basis. To register and /or learn more about the Qatar Foundation Distinguished Lecture Series please visit www.qf-research-division.org/distinguished/.

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BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH OF PROFESSOR THE LORD OF DARZI



Lord Darzi holds the Paul Hamlyn Chair of Surgery at Imperial College London and is an honorary consultant at St Mary's Hospital and The Royal Marsden Hospital. Lord Darzi and his team are internationally respected for their innovative work in the advancement of minimal invasive surgery and the development and use of allied technologies.

Research led by Professor Darzi is directed towards achieving best surgical practice through both innovation in surgery and enhancing the safety and quality of healthcare. This is achieved by a combined focus on the role and evaluation of new technologies, studies of the safety and quality of care, development of methods of enhancing healthcare delivery and of new approaches to education and training. His contribution within these research fields has been outstanding, publishing over 500 peer-reviewed research papers to date. In recognition of his outstanding achievements in research and development of surgical technologies, Professor Darzi was elected as an Honorary Fellow of the Royal Academy of Engineering, and a Fellow of the Academy of Medical Sciences.

He was knighted for his services in medicine and surgery in 2002. In 2007 Lord Darzi was introduced to the House of Lords and appointed as Parliamentary Under Secretary of State at the Department of Health. He led a major review of the NHS in the form of the Next Stage Review with the subsequent publication of his report in 'High Quality Care For All'. Lord Darzi was appointed as a member of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council in June 2009.

ABOUT DISTINGUISHED LECTURE SERIES

The QF distinguished lecture series is an ongoing event to invite renowned scientists to share their experiences through lectures and to provide opportunities for local scientists to approach them for potential research collaborations.

Typically, a Nobel Laureate is invited to give a lecture about his work giving scientists in Doha insight about his work and chance to gain from his/ her expertise.

The Distinguished Lecture Series are part of QF Research Division mission to create a knowledge-based society in Qatar by introducing students, scientists and the public to globally renowned research achievements.

For more information about Distinguished lecture series past events, kindly visit:

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RESEARCH, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AT QATAR FOUNDATION

Research is an essential component in Qatar Foundation's strategy to make Education City a world-class center for innovative education. Qatar Foundation's Research Division, with Education City's branch campuses and Research Centers, is aiming at pursuing cutting-edge research and development that helps build Qatar's innovation and technology capacity, supports the growth of Qatari society and uncovers solutions to national challenges in health, climate change, the environment, clean energy and other fields.

Qatar Foundation's research strengths will be organized around core platforms of medicine, biotechnology, information and communication technologies, environmental sciences, molecular sciences and nanotechnology. Each of the university branch campuses boasts a research element, and SIDRA Medical and Research Centre will be as much cutting-edge research facility as clinical care provider. And Qatar Science and Technology Park will be an incubator where private companies can partner with government agencies and academic institutions and developing research into

commercial applications. Qatar National Research Funds plays a vital role in providing financial support to researchers at all levels, from students to professionals, in the private, public and academic sectors.

As part of Qatar Foundation supporting national aspirations for research and development, the Research Division implements a number of programs that relate to achieving the development in niche areas of science that give the country competitive advantage while raising the research profile at the global stage. The QF distinguished lecture series provides an avenue to invite renowned scientists to share their experiences through lectures and to provide opportunities for local scientists to approach them for potential research collaborations. The Scientific Research Exchanges serves to establish collaborative programs with hosting institutions for junior scientists to receive training in niche areas of research which are not available locally.

The Scientific Advancement and Coordination program highlights Ethical, Environmental, Economic, Legal and Social Issues of science and technology that must be addressed in a country in order to progress. The International Science Cooperation program helps to initiate targeted areas of research that give strengths to Qatar Foundation, Qatari Centres and Institutions by directing concentrated efforts in a particular area of work that is of strategic importance to Qatar Foundation and Qatar.

Qatar Foundation envisions research as a catalyst for expanding and diversifying a country's economy; enhancing the education and well-being of its citizens and the training and development of its workforce.

ABOUT QATAR FOUNDATION

Founded in 1995 by His Highness Sheikh Hamad Bin Khalifa Al Thani, Emir of Qatar, and chaired by Her Highness Sheikha Mozah Bint Nasser Al Missned, Qatar Foundation is a private, non-profit organization committed to the principle that a nation's greatest natural resource is its people.

Qatar Foundation's flagship project is Education City which has branch campuses of six major American universities. Others are expected to join in the coming years from various parts of the world. The branch campus concept-world-class universities bringing their best-regarded programs to Qatar as full-fledged partners with Qatar Foundation - is unique in the history of education.

Education City is, in essence, a university of universities, a community of education and research institutions that serve the whole citizen, from early childhood education to post-graduate study. A string of knowledge-based organizations is being created at Education City, including the Qatar Science and Technology Park which will house technology-based companies and entrepreneurs, and link the universities with industry.

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