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tadTalks 2022

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9:00 am - 1:00 pm (Doha time)

Physical attendance

Qatar University, College of Law
Building (I09), Auditorium B239

Virtual attendance



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Welcome Message from Prof Mariam Ali Al-Maadeed,

Vice President for Research and
Graduate Studies,
Qatar University, Qatar

As part of Qatar University's vision to be a leader in and an advocate for research and graduate education, we are pleased to welcome you to tadTalks 2022. tadTalks provides an important platform for supporting graduate research by sharing local and international perspectives on the graduate research experience with current and prospective graduate students. The pandemic has highlighted, more than ever, the importance of research in solving global challenges, and graduate students play a vital role in driving much of the world's cutting-edge research. Consequently, the dissemination of their strategies for success is crucial towards excellence in graduate research. This year, we are honored to be showcasing graduate researchers from Qatar University, Doha Institute for Graduate Studies, Hamad Bin Khalifa University, Texas A&M, Qatar, University of Calgary, Qatar as well as world-class universities in the U.S., New Zealand, Italy, South Africa, and Malaysia. We are looking forward to the fruits of these efforts in the graduate researchers of tomorrow.



About tadTalks

Studies have shown that around 50% of graduate students do not complete their graduate study. Many of these students cite anxieties around thesis research as a primary cause. tadTalks (thesis and dissertation) at Qatar University was established to help address this shared global concern and to support the invaluable contribution of graduate researchers to the knowledge-based economy. tadTalks, inspired by the well-known TED Talks, follows a similar format in which speakers provide a 10 min talk sharing their perspective on the graduate research experience in order to encourage current and prospective graduate students to take on the challenge of conducting research that has a lasting impact on the local, regional, and international community. tadTalks provides a unique platform to showcase impactful graduate research that addresses global challenges and brings graduate researchers together from around the world to coalesce in a spirit of inquiry. tadTalks was first initiated in 2019 as part of Qatar University's commitment to building a strong sense of graduate community, enhancing the graduate experience, and supporting graduate research. Over the past three years, 21 institutions from 13 countries have participated in the tadTalks event at Qatar University.



Mr. Saad Al-Rumaihi,
Qatar Press Center President,
Keynote Address:
‘Establishing Media in Qatar: A Journey of Resilience
and Inspiration’

tadTalks 2022 Keynote

Mr. Saad Al-Rumaihi is a prominent Qatari media icon who recently won the Arab Sports Culture Award for Media. He is the former president of Al-Saqr magazine and manager of Qatar TV along with his many other achievements.



Dr. Edmund Herod

Assistant Vice President of Diplomacy Institute,
University of Houston - Clear Lake, U.S.

Dr. Gigi Do

Associate Vice President & Senior International Officer
Global Learning and Strategy/Diplomacy Institute,
University of Houston - Clear Lake, U.S.

MoU Signing

As part of this year's tadTalks event, Qatar University (QU) and the University of Houston-Clear Lake (UHCL) will be signing a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) for joint cooperation in the areas of research and graduate studies.

The MoU will be signed by QU President, Dr. Hassan Al-Derham and UHCL, Assistant Vice President of the Diplomacy Institute, Dr. Edmund Herod and Dr. Gigi Do, Associate Vice President & Senior International Officer, Global Learning and Strategy/Diplomacy Institute.

The two parties affirm their endeavor, through signing this agreement, to build scientific, academic and research collaboration that serves the common goals of both parties, exchanging information and experiences. This MoU also marks the first tadTalks event to be held outside of QU, which will be held at UHCL this fall. This step reaffirms both parties' strong commitment to building a graduate community, enhancing the graduate experience, and being an advocate for graduate research globally.



tadTalks 2022 Special Guest

**Mr. Almoez Ali
Professional Footballer,
Qatar National Team**

Graduate Researchers from Qatar and Abroad



Rawdha Ali Al Hammadi

Master of Arts in Arabic Literature and Language,
College of Arts and Sciences,
Qatar University, Qatar
Area of Research: Analysis of Qatari literature from a
post-colonial perspective.



Malek Helali

Master of Science in Chemical Engineering,
College of Engineering, Texas A&M University, Qatar
Area of Research: Ultra-accelerated photoaging and
photodegradation of materials using a solar
simulator facility.





Aseel Hamdan

Master of Media and Cultural Studies,
School of Social Sciences and Humanities,
Doha Institute for Graduate Studies, Qatar
Area of Research: The representation of Muslim
immigrants in Western films shown on Netflix.



Nabila Chaabna

Master of Nursing, University of Calgary, Qatar
Area of Research: The impact of the socio-cultural
beliefs on breastfeeding in Qatar.





Majdoulin Almwaka

Master of Arts in Women, Society, and Development,
College of Humanities and Social Sciences,
Hamad Bin Khalifa University, Qatar
Area of Research: Middle Eastern politics, feminist
pedagogies, gendered violence and MENA feminist
movements.



Alice Proietti

Ph.D in Industrial Engineering, Department of
Industrial Engineering, University of Rome “Tor
Vergata”, Italy
Area of research: Circular economy – hybrid
composites materials.





Norma Veguilla-Martinez

Ph.D in Educational Leadership, Department of Educational Leadership, University of Houston - Clear Lake, U.S.

Area of research: The impact of COVID-19 on K-12 campus leadership and technology integration.



Muhammad Faiz Aizamddin

Ph.D in Science, School of Physics and Materials Science, Faculty of Sciences, Universiti Teknologi MARA (UiTM), Malaysia

Area of research: Bioelectronic materials.





Sina Sheikholeslami

Ph.D in Chemical and Materials Engineering,
Department of Chemical and Materials
Engineering,
The University of Auckland, New Zealand
Area of research: Corrosion, coating systems,
electrochemistry, characterization.



Ronel Maart

Ph.D in Prosthetic Dentistry, Faculty of Dentistry,
University of the Western Cape, South Africa
Area of research: Health professions education
(dental education).



Junior tadTalks

Core Curriculum Researchers

Area of Research: The causes and effects of the increasing prices in Qatar.



Alma Amer Ismail

Biological Sciences, College of Arts and Sciences,
Qatar University, Qatar



Dalal Nasser Alhaidar

General Education, College of Education,
Qatar University, Qatar



Hana Abullaise Athamanakath

Mathematics, College of Arts and Sciences,
Qatar University, Qatar





Maha Al Mohannadi

English Literature, College of Arts and Sciences,
Qatar University, Qatar



Maryam Ahmed Alkuwari

Marketing, College of Business and Economics,
Qatar University, Qatar





Qatar University Young Scientists Center (QUYSC) Researchers

Ahmed Al-Kuwari

Grade 11, Jassim Bin Hamad Secondary School for Boys

Area of Research: Energy-saving membrane distillation hybrid process for resource recovery and zero liquid discharge.



Honors Program Researchers

Ihssane Srhayri

Finance, College of Business and Economics, Qatar University

Area of Research: The effect of COVID-19 pandemic on the financial performance of specific multinational corporations.



Agenda

8:30 - 9:00	Registration
	Opening Remarks, HE Dr. Hassan Al-Derham, Qatar University President
9:00 - 9:10	Opening Remarks, Professor Mariam Al-Maadeed, Vice President for Research and Graduate Studies, Qatar University
	Sponsor Remarks, Mr. Alex Zhang, Huawei Gulf North EBG Managing Director
9:10 - 9:30	Keynote: Mr. Saad Al-Rumaihi, Qatar Press Center President 'Establishing Media in Qatar: A Journey of Resilience and Inspiration'
9:30 - 9:40	MoU Signing with University of Houston - Clear Lake, Houston, U.S
9:40 - 9:45	Honoring Ceremony for Distinguished Guests
9:45 - 10:05	Break
10:05 - 12:00	tadTalks Rawdha Ali Al Hammadi, Qatar University, Qatar Norma Veguilla-Martinez, University of Houston - Clear Lake, U.S. Majdoulin Almwaka, Hamad Bin Khalifa University, Qatar Alice Proietti, University of Rome "Tor Vergata", Italy Aseel Hamdan, Doha Institute for Graduate Studies, Qatar Muhammad Faiz Aizamddin, Universiti Teknologi MARA (UiTM), Malaysia Ronel Maart, University of the Western Cape, South Africa Nabila Chaabna, University of Calgary, Qatar Sina Sheikholeslami, The University of Auckland, New Zealand Malek Helali, Texas A&M University, Qatar
12:00 - 12:20	Break
12:20 - 12:40	Junior tadTalks with QU's Rising Researchers Core-Curriculum Researchers Alma Amer Ismail Dalal Nasser Alhaidar Hana Abullaise Athamanakath Maha Al Mohannadi Maryam Ahmed Alkuwari Honors Program Researchers Ihssane Shayri Qatar University Young Scientists Center Researchers Ahmed Al-Kuwari
12:40 - 12:55	Panel and Q&A
12:55 - 1:00	Closing Ceremony
1:00	Research Networking Lunch