



### Prince Mohammad Bin Fahd Center for Futuristic Studies

Futures Studies are an imperative necessity and a reality for both developed and developing countries in order to adjust to technological innovations and to regional and international developments. Hence, Futures Studies have received great attention from industry experts and academics.



# ABOUT

#### **VISION AND MISSION**

PMFCFS envisions a sustainable and peaceful future for humanity. To achieve this, we research, identify and spread the best and most sustainable policy solutions worldwide by:

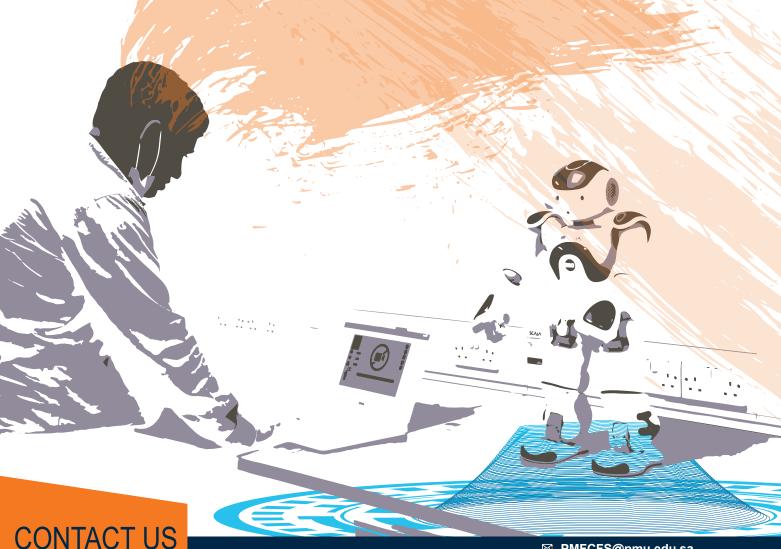
- Allowing a number of distinguished researchers to carry out viable projects in their areas of expertise.
- Ensuring that the mission of PMFCFS is aligned with the University's research strategy, mission, vision and values.
- Establishing collaborations and partnerships with leading research, academic, and industrial organizations to conduct research that leads to demonstrable improvements not only in the academic domain of Futures Studies, but also across developed and developing countries.
- Training and motivating researchers, faculty, students and alumni with the long-term aim of building resources and infrastructures for research activities in the area of Futures Studies.
- Undertaking the appropriate actions, implements activities and focuses on different areas.



#### **OBJECTIVES**

- Establish the Center with the goal of creating a sustainable enterprise of scientifically sound and innovative research activities related to future thinking.
- Operate the Center to ensure that engaged scholars of diverse backgrounds work together to address issues and solve problems through interdisciplinary and fruitful exchanges. The center's activities will also be devoted to the dissemination of ideas and data through international collaborations.
- Development and support for active faculty members and researchers.

- Establishment and development of agreements, partnerships and joint research collaborations with quality research institutions for Futures Studies on agreed projects and mutual interests.
- Engagement of leading academics and scholars in conferences, seminars and workshops.
- Support of PMU Research Center, and involvement of new faculty members.
- Encouragement of PMU students to undertake research and gain experience from senior faculty members.



## CONFERENCES, SEMINARS AND WORKSHOPS

Prince Mohammad Bin Fahd Center for Futuristic Studies (PMFCFS) located at Prince Mohammad Bin Fahd University (PMU) is open to the academic community and to the public at large so that it can become a viable contributor to the 2030 vision of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia (KSA). We envision its role to embrace the entire Arab region and to be influential at the national and regional level through research and practical applications.

- o The Future of Education.
- o Youth Empowerment.
- o Future Employment Opportunities.
- o Sustainable Development.

# PROJECTS

## FIRST FUTURES RESEARCH GRANT PROPOSAL

PMFCFS and World Futures Studies Federation (WFSF) announced its first futures research grant proposal on February 12, 2020. The objective of this grant was to encourage more researchers to explore and research in disciplines related to energy and sustainability, education, and youth empowerment, environment and climate change, and artificial intelligence.

## ROUND TABLE LECTURE SERIES

PMFCFS conducted its first round table series entitled, "Roundtable in Interdisciplinary Research Related to Future Studies" held last November 7, 2019 at PMU.

#### **COURSE ON FUTURES LITERACY**

PMFCFS developed a new course in association with WFSF, which serves as an introduction to the emerging field of Futures Studies, allowing students to participate in activities with the UNESCO and WFSF and listen to guest speakers from around the world on a virtual platform to assist to bringing a real-life connection to the application of future thinking.

### EXHIBITION BOOTH IN FUTURES LITERACY IN INTER-GENERATIONAL LEARNING

PMFCFS is hosting a virtual exhibition booth at the UNESCO High-Level Futures Literacy Summit titled "Futures Literacy in Inter-Generational Learning". Visitors to the booth will be able to explore how the center engages with the future through its various set of anticipation activities. A virtual laboratory experience will be present, allowing visitors to learn and interact on the components of the Futures Literacy course while retracting on Futures Literacy topics lively with experts from the field.



### INTERNATIONAL **AGREEMENTS**

PMFCFS is establishing international collaborations and joint programs through various agreements with major universities and internationally renowned Research Centers for Futures Studies.

**COOPERATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN PRINCE** MOHAMMAD BIN FAHD UNIVERSITY AND THE **WORLD FUTURE STUDIES FEDERATION** 

The WFSF and PMU agreement was signed 2019 for a 5-year collaboration, as well as to establish a chapter and research funds per agreement. This Chapter PMU has developed and operates the Middle East & North Africa (MENA) Chapter of WFSF.

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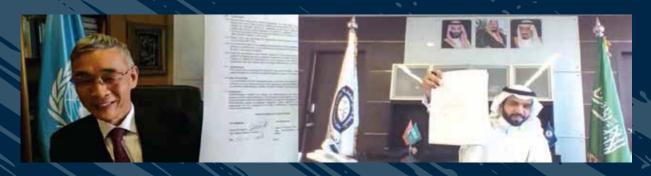
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### PRINCE MOHAMMAD BIN FAHD UNIVERSITY AND UNESCO SIGN A PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT TO DEVELOP FUTURES LITERACY

"Prince Mohammad Bin Fahd University and UNESCO signed an innovative Futures Literacy Partnership Agreement, to develop Futures Literacy at PMU and in the Gulf region. This marks the launch of an ambitious joint effort to advance Futures Literacy (FL) at local, regional and global levels. Futures Literacy is a critical competency for the 21st Century that enables people to "use-the-future for different reasons, using different methods, in different contexts".





MOU with the Association of Professional Futurists (APF, located in Seattle, Washington) signed on Friday 13th, September 2019.





MOU with Teach the Future Association located in Houston signed on Friday 13th, September 2019.



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