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## 2019 Gulf Research Meeting

July 15<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup>, 2019  
University of Cambridge

### Workshop No. 8

### Quality of Higher Education in the Gulf: Quo Vadis?

#### Workshop Schedule\*

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*\*Please note that this schedule is subject to change.*

#### Tuesday, July 16, 2019

Venue: Hobson Room, The Royal Cambridge Hotel, Trumpington Street

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8.30-9.30	<b>Introduction</b>
09.30-10.15	<b>Joanna Soraya Abu Zahari, Reynaldo Gacho Segumpan and Wan Norhayate Wan Daud:</b> Global Rankings as Yardstick to Quality of Higher Education: Voices from Gulf-based Academics  Discussant: <b>Mariam Orkodashvili</b>
10.15-11.00	<b>Mariam Orkodashvili:</b> Quality Enhancement Through Internationalization at GCC Universities  Discussant: <b>Khalaf Marhoun Al'Abri</b>
11.00-11.20	Coffee break
11.20-12.05	<b>Khalaf Marhoun Al'Abri:</b> Quality Assurance Mechanisms and Policies in the Omani Higher Education System: The Imperatives, Challenges and Future Directions  Discussant: <b>Solane Duque</b>

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12.05-12.50 **Solane Duque:** Quality Management System: A Framework for Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) in the GCC

Discussant: **Khuram Shahzad**

13.00-14.15 Lunch break, King's College (lunch is served at 13.00; please make sure to be there on time.)

14.30-15.15 **Khuram Shahzad and Muhammad Rehan Shaukat:** Quality Prospects in Higher Education: A Case of Oman

Discussant: **Mouza Said Al Kalbani**

15.15-16.00 **Mouza Said Al Kalbani and Ahmad BinTouq:** Funding Quality Higher Education in Oman

Discussant: **Sufian Eltayeb Mohamed Abdel-Gadir**

16.00-16:30 Coffee break

16:30-17.15 **Sufian Eltayeb Mohamed Abdel-Gadir and Parul Jain:** Evaluating Quality Assurance and Academic Accreditation in SQU, Oman: Implementations, Progress and Achievements

Discussant: **Abood Al Sawafi**

17:15-17.30 **All participants**  
Wrap-up session and discussion

### **Wednesday, July 17, 2019**

Venue: Hobson Room, The Royal Cambridge Hotel, Trumpington Street

08.30-09.30 **Introduction**

09.30-10.15 **Abood Al Sawafi and P. Mani Joseph:** Accreditation Challenges: A Case Study in Oman

Discussant: **Cameron Mirza**

10.15-11.00 **Malak Hamdan and Cameron Mirza:** A Critical Insight into the Gulf Higher Education Landscape to Enhance Knowledge and Innovation

Discussant: **Omneya Badr**

11.00-11.20 Coffee break

11.20-12.05 **Omneya Badr:** Framing the Social and Cultural Factors  
Influencing the Quality of Gulf Universities Graduates: The Case of  
Qatar

Discussant: **Catherine Hill**

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12.05-12.50 **Catherine Hill and Nadera Alborno:** Reshaping Teacher  
Education in the Gulf Region

Discussant: **Simon Hayhoe**

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13.00-14.15 Lunch break, King's College (lunch is served at 13.00; please make  
sure to be there on time.)

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14.30-15.15 **Simon Hayhoe:** The Representation of Disability in the Higher  
Education Institutions of the Cooperation Council for the Arab  
States of the Gulf

Discussant: **Radha Krishan Sharma**

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15.15-16.00 **Radha Krishan Sharma, Vishal Jain, and Senthil Kumar:**  
Significance of Personality Dimensions to Feedback and Its Impact  
on Quality Assurance in Higher Education: Comparative Study of  
Oman and India

Discussant: **Samina Fazli**

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16.00-16.30 Coffee break

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16.30-17.15 **Anis Ur Rehman and Samina Fazli:** An Empirical Study on the  
Impact of Current Education System in Business Schools on the  
Development of Entrepreneurial Skills of Students in Saudi Arabia

Discussant: **G. Orkhon**

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17:15-17.30 **All participants**  
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**Thursday, July 18, 2019**

Venue: Keynes Room, King's College, University of Cambridge

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08.45-09.30 **O. Bolorsaikhan and G. Orkhon:** How Internationalization  
Facilitated the Reform Process of the National Quality Assurance  
System in Mongolia

Discussant: **Bahtiar Mohamad**

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08.30-08.45 **Bahtiar Mohamad and Ridwan Adetunji Raji:** Improving the Quality of Corporate Identity Management among Higher Education Institutions in the Gulf: A Conceptual Model

Discussant: **Mohammad Osaid Farooq**

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09.30-10.15 **Mohammad Osaid Farooq and Ayesha Farooq:** Strategies and Perspectives through the Prism of HR System in Higher Education: HR an Essential Component of Quality

Discussant: **Anisur Rahman**

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10.15-11.00 **Anisur Rahman:** Human Resource Development in the GCC Countries: Challenges and Opportunities

Discussant: **Wan Norhayate Wan Daud**

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11.00-11.30 Coffee break

11.30-12.15 **Wan Norhayate Wan Daud, Fakhrul Anwar Zainol, and Reynaldo Gacho Segumpan:** Knowledge Management and Organizational Innovation as Drivers of Quality Higher Education in Malaysia: Lessons for Gulf Countries

Discussant: **Seungah Lee**

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12.15-13.00 **Seungah Lee and Cameron Mirza:** Higher Education Policies in the GCC: Enablers or Barriers to Innovation?

Discussant: **Vishal Jain**

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13. 00-14.30 Light lunch at Hilton Cambridge City Centre

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