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Sustainable Campus Initiative Newsletter

Ensuring Sustainable Footprint!

QUOTE OF THE EDITION:

"We are confident in our youth's ability to challenge, excel and succeed."

— The Late Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan
Al Nahyan

Opening note:

This year the UAE National day is different! As a nation, we completed 50 wonderful years, grew bigger, build up a stronger community, grew sustainably and formed a modern era while preserving our nature, culture, traditions, and heritage.

The UAE is internationally known to have the fleek skyscrapers, with the strongest passport, and is considered one of the safest counties to live in. The UAE is also known to be exporting commodities like crude oil and other mineral products, machinery other equipment, metals, stones, aluminum and other metals.

As we prepare for the 50th UAE National Day Celebration, we are recalling our ancestors hard work, and journey to reach the best. We have reached Mars, hosted key international events, lead conventions of various topics. It's never enough when we talk about the UAE.

By 2071 we look forward to celebrating more accomplishments.

Learnmore:

<https://uaenationalday.ae/#celebrations>



Sponsors Welcome:

Borouge, a joint venture between Abu Dhabi National Oil Company (ADNOC) and Austria-based Borealis, is a leading contributor to innovative plastic solutions for various industries. Borouge endorses the protection of human wellbeing, resource optimisation, and knowledge building to support new opportunities among community members.

As a provider of plastic and chemical products, Borouge commits to sustainability principles and proactively addresses environmental issues, such as water sanitation and the safe management of chemicals. In alignment with the vision of Borouge to positively impact society today and tomorrow, we have partnered with SCI for over five years to build leadership capacity among the youth.

“At Borouge we are proud of our commitment to sustainability in everything we do. Through our long-standing engagement with Sustainable Campus Initiative (SCI) we inspire today's youth to understand and adopt sustainability principles to protect our precious environment and empower our community,” said Maitha Al Marashi, VP Sustainability, Borouge.



SCI in Action

SCI Team Participate at Khalifa University (KU) Environmental Health and Safety (EHS) Day.

Due to Khalifa University's commitment to providing a safe environment for visiting individuals and visitors, on Tuesday 16th November 2021, the university dedicated EHS Day hosting multiple organizations and entities across Abu Dhabi. SCI Team took part at introducing students to SCI, which was a great opportunity to meet and engage with the management, and faculty members, and students from Administration and Facility and EHS, extracurricular activities, SDG's programme team, and Environmental club, who were keen to be involved in Sustainable Campus Initiative components.

It was also an opportunity to network with other faculty members who manage student's extracurricular activities, environmental clubs, and SDG's programme team to collaborate and engage students in SCI further.



Cleanup Campaign

- Al Wathba Fossil Dunes

In the efforts of clearing up litter buried in nature sites, 41 SCI Members participated in cleaning one of Abu Dhabi's Iconic sites, Al Wathba Fossil Dunes cleanup on Saturday 20th November 2021. Participants used gloves, tongs to fill up 250Kg of waste from wood, plastic, paper, clothes and much more.

Fossil Dunes are sand dunes made up of cemented boulders, that are cross bedded. They consist of outcrops formed by the precipitation of calcium carbonate and other salts from ground water during the glacial period. The formations in the Al Wathba area derive their shape from the interaction between wind force and sediment supply.

Thank you to all participants!



SCI in Action

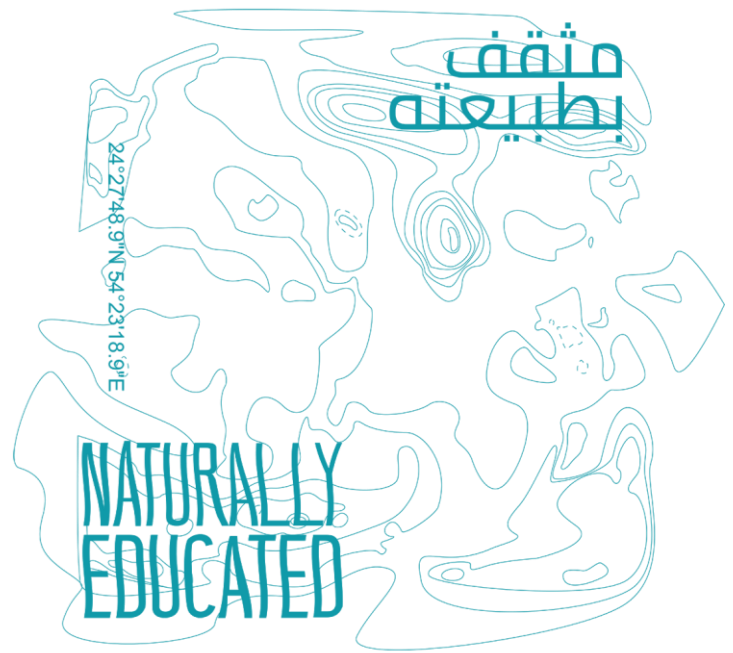
Naturally Educated

Did you listen to our podcast yet? we are pleased to launch Sustainable Campus Initiative's Podcast "Naturally Educated" discussing topics like air pollution, biodiversity loss, to sustainability, circular economy, and Climate change hosting several environmental experts.

Naturally educated podcasts can be used as a learning tool for educators, and students to increase knowledge, and get inspiration of projects, research, and case studies. Also, used for entertainment and gaining general knowledge.

Visit our website and listen to podcast episodes:

<https://sustainablecampus.ead.ae/sciWebsite/web/site/podcast>



Eco Pedestal

Manipal Academy Higher Education (MAHE) participating at DEWA's competition the Solar Decathlon Middle East 2021

Good Luck to Manipal Academy Higher Education (MAHE) for participating at DEWA's competition the Solar Decathlon Middle East (SDME 2021) which involves design, build, cost and energy efficient solar -powered homes, it focuses on considering environmental aspects. The competition targets International Universities and involves a special Expo 2020 Edition under the patronage of HH Sheikh Hamdan bin Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum, Crown Prince of Dubai and Chairman of the Executive Council of Dubai, in partnership between DEWA, the Dubai Supreme Council of Energy, and the US Department of Energy.

Eighty Students and alumni's "Team Tawazun" led by Dr Ravishankar Dudhe (SoEIT), Dr Bhakti More (SoDA), Mr Deep Aranha (SoDA) & Mr Abdul Razzak educators from different majors will be competing

against 7 international teams. Their project is comprised of a design of the concept that balances between the Emirati tradition and contemporary design building a net-zero house at Mohammed Solar Park demonstrating a sustainable construction practice.

AED 500,000 will be rewarded to the winner team with 300,000 supports for research and innovation.

Best of luck Tawazun Team!

Learn more:

<https://www.manipaldubai.com/mud/news-events/news-list/dewa-solar-decathlon-2021.html>

Green Space

Key dates in December!

- December 02, 2021 UAE National Day
- December 05, 2021 World Soil Day
- December 11, 2021 International Mountain Day

Share your sustainability touches at the national day celebration at sustainablecampus@ead.gov.ae

Connect with SCI

Join our network and stay updated with all things sustainable at:

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- <https://www.facebook.com/Sustainable-Campus-Initiative-100339758483754/>
- Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/sustainablecampusae/>
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