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CIFAL Saudi Arabia - UNITAR-UNESCO LEAP-FAST Certificate Programme (Edition I) “Leaders in Higher Education Alliance and Programme – For Accelerating Sustainability Transformations” (Part I)

People

Deadline: 1 Dec 2024

Type:	Course
Location:	Majmaah, Saudi Arabia
Date:	23 Mar 2025 to 24 Mar 2025
Duration:	1 Days
Programme Area:	Decentralize Cooperation Programme
Website:	https://cifal.mu.edu.sa/about
Price:	\$0.00
Event Focal Point Email:	ssalih.alsamhan@mu.edu.sa
Partnership:	CIFAL Saudi Arabia, UNITAR, UNESCO, Majmaah University

BACKGROUND

The LEAP-FAST programme was launched as a flagship partnership between UNITAR, UNESCO, and Majmaah University to accelerate sustainability transformations in higher education. This first edition brought together faculty

and leaders from global universities to design institutional, curricular, and pedagogical innovations aligned with the SDGs. Activities included self-paced learning, peer learning, virtual and in-person workshops, and collaborative assignments across 10 weeks.

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CONTENT AND STRUCTURE

- Modules: Induction, Institutional Level, Programme Level, Course & Pedagogical Level, Summation
- Activities: Self-paced reading and videos, online quizzes, group and individual assignments, peer learning, mentorship, 2 online workshops, and 1 five-day in-person co-creation workshop hosted by Majmaah University

METHODOLOGY

- Blended and experiential learning
- Confidential and peer mentorship
- Institutional team-based collaboration
- Virtual community of practice (via UN SDG Learn and UNITAR VLE)
- Reflection, foresight methods, systems

thinking, participatory co-creation

TARGETED AUDIENCE

University administrators, programme directors, deans, faculty members, curriculum developers, and sustainability officers from global HEIs