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## A Day of Collaboration: Engaging with Outstanding University Leaders

Yesterday was a hectic yet enjoyable day as I had the privilege of meeting with the presidents and senior teams from four outstanding Lebanese universities.

I began my day at **Beirut Arab University**, my alma mater, where I met with President Prof. Wael Abdel Salam and Dr. Omar Hourri. We already have an MOU with BAU to support joint work in the area of health sciences. Following that, I had a productive meeting with the President of **Université Antonine - UA**, Pere Michel Saghbini, along with Prof. **Rony Darazi**, Prof. **Talar Atechian**, Prof. **Antoine El Samrani**, and my good friend Prof. **Roger R. Achkar, Ph.D.** Each of these leaders is making significant contributions to the academic community, driving innovation and excellence in education.

Next, I met with President Pere Joseph Moukarzel of **Holy Spirit University of Kaslik - USEK**, alongside my dear colleagues Prof. **Rima Mattar, PhD** and Prof **Danielle Khalife-Fraiha, PhD**. We already have an MOU with USEK and we are doing joint work in various areas. The day concluded with a meeting and dinner with my dear friend Prof. Bassam Badran, President of the **Lebanese University** where I was joined by my esteemed colleague **Prof. Habib Fardoun, QS Quacquarelli Symonds** Consultant. Prof. Badran and his team are doing outstanding work in my home country Lebanon 🇱🇧.

Throughout all four meetings, we explored various opportunities for collaboration, aiming to strengthen our academic connections and enhance the educational landscape. The dedication and vision of these outstanding university leaders inspire all of us to work together for a brighter future. In my capacity as Chair of the QS Global Advisory Committee for the Middle East, we explored opportunities for the four universities to take part in QS conferences and workshops organized in the region.

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