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Mubadala Applied Research Open Day

Yesterday, I attended the inspiring Mubadala Applied Research Open Day, which showcased the collaborative research efforts of students from several universities in Abu Dhabi alongside industry partners. I also visited Abu Dhabi University's pavilion, highlighting research conducted by students in partnership with various industries. The students presented work addressing challenges related to robotics, artificial intelligence, climate change, sustainability, and more. It was rewarding to see the interdisciplinary efforts from our two colleges: the College of Engineering and the College of Health Sciences.

Many thanks to our industrial and academic collaborators, including [ADNOC Group](#), [Lockheed Martin](#), [Cleveland Clinic Abu Dhabi](#), [Emirates Global Aluminium \(EGA\)](#), [Sheikh Shakhbout Medical City - SSMC](#), Mohammad bin Rashid Al Maktoum Solar Park, Ministry of Community Development, [National Reference Laboratory \(NRL\)](#), [Imperial College London Diabetes Centre](#), [M42](#), [United Arab Emirates University](#), and [Khalifa University](#)

I also visited the section dedicated to Mubadala's Higher Education Competition to Design and Develop a Water-Debris Collection Robotic Platform, which the [College of Engineering - Abu Dhabi University](#) University will host later in April. Eighteen multidisciplinary teams from eleven universities are participating in this pioneering competition to engineer the best and fastest teleoperated and autonomous boats.

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I am thankful to Mubadala for providing exceptional leadership in promoting a strong culture of research and innovation in the educational sector. Additionally, I appreciate the leadership of our faculty, including Prof. [Mohammed Ghazal](#) who heads our Research Institute on AI and Emerging Technologies; the College of Engineering; and the Office of Research and Sponsored Programs, led by Dr. [Hamdi Mustafa Sheibani](#) and Prof. [Montasir Qasymeh](#), respectively, for organizing these exceptional activities. In addition, I would like to acknowledge the great leadership of our colleagues [Salem Aldhaheri](#) and [Dr. Sarah Al Sakkaf Al Hashimi - CFRE](#).

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