ADU Reinforces Global Standing with Third Consecutive EQUIS Re-accreditation

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Building on its track record of achievements, <u>Abu Dhabi University's (ADU) College of Business</u> has been re-accredited by the European Quality Improvement System (EQUIS), a comprehensive quality review system for business and management schools, that recognizes its world-class programs and academic excellence.

ADU consolidates its position in an elite group of 224 world-renowned institutions from more than 45 countries accredited by EQUIS. This milestone marks ADU's third consecutive EQUIS accreditation, further cementing its position as one of the world's leading business institutions. With this reaccreditation, ADU continues to set global standards for excellence in business education, ensuring its graduates are well-equipped with the skills and knowledge required to succeed in an ever-evolving economy both nationally and internationally.

Professor Ghassan Aouad, Chancellor of Abu Dhabi University (ADU), said: "At ADU, we remain committed to providing our students with world-class programs that enable them to contribute to the development of the UAE's growth and economic development. The University's College of Business continues to demonstrate excellence in education on a global level. This achievement serves as a testament to the faculty's continuous dedication and hard work in advancing the UAE's educational sector."

ADU's College of Business is one of the select few institutions worldwide accredited by both EQUIS and the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB). This double accreditation places ADU among the top two percent of business schools globally, reflecting the college's ongoing commitment to academic excellence.

Professor Barry O'Mahony, Dean of the College of Business at Abu Dhabi University (ADU), said: "Prestigious recognitions like these place ADU's College of Business at the forefront of global business education and further reinforces our commitment to shaping the next generation of business leaders. As a faculty, we strive to offer diverse and dynamic educational programs leveraged by the latest research, technology and global best practices to help our students cultivate the skills required by tomorrow's market demands. As a result, our business graduates have secured leading positions in the market, enabling them to achieve their career goals and contribute to the UAE's knowledge-based economy."

Institutions accredited by EQUIS are assessed in an extensive evaluation process that thoroughly reviews the quality of courses, faculty, academic services, international exposure, community impact, and connections with industry as well as corporate responsibility and sustainability. As the leading accreditation system for management schools, EQUIS is awarded only to top-tier institutions such as those at Oxford and Cambridge universities.

In addition to its double accreditation, ADU's College of Business was ranked the number one business school in the UAE and Arab region and 101-125 globally according to Times Higher Education (THE) World University Rankings 2024 by Subjects.

ADU's College of Business offers a comprehensive range of undergraduate and postgraduate programs designed to prepare students for successful careers in business, management, and leadership. Students also benefit from international exchange programs with leading institutions, either for short student exchange programs or to complete further studies. The College's partners include prestigious universities, including Monash University in Australia, University College Dublin in Ireland, McMaster University in Canada and Menlo College in the USA.