

## Qatar Foundation

Qatar Foundation Qatar's journey from a carbon economy to a knowledge economy

Qatar Foundation for Education, Science and Community Development (QF) aims to support Qatar on its journey from a carbon economy to a knowledge economy by unlocking human potential.

It was established in 1995 by His Highness the Amir Sheikh Hamad bin Khalifa Al-Thani. His wife, Her Highness Sheikha Moza bint Nasser, is the organization's chairperson and driving force.

### Qatar National Vision 2030

Qatar National Vision 2030 was published in July 2008 and outlines how the nation will use its vast revenues from hydrocarbon resources to transform itself into a modern knowledge-based economy.

The people of Qatar are the key to achieving this aim, so the plan places developing human resources as the main priority for the next 20 years.

National Vision 2030 gave QF an exciting mandate: to be the 'engine' driving the development of Qatar's people, with the headline aim of 'Unlocking Human Potential'.

### Qatar Foundation's Three Pillars

QF aims to unlock the human through its three pillars of Education, Science & Research and Community Development. This will benefit not only Qatar, but the region & the world.

It is bringing world-class education, work experience and career opportunities to Qatar's young people;

It is building Qatar's innovation and technology capacity by developing and commercializing solutions through key sciences.

It is fostering a progressive society, enhancing cultural life and protecting Qatar's heritage whilst addressing immediate social needs in the community.

All these things will help create a forward-looking knowledge economy for Qatar.

### Vision

Qatar Foundation, located in Doha, Qatar, is an independent, private, non-profit, chartered organization founded in 1995 by decree of His Highness Sheikh Hamad Bin Khalifa Al-Thani, Amir of the State of Qatar, to support centers of excellence which develop people's abilities through investments in human capital, innovative technology, state of the art facilities and partnerships with elite organizations, thus raising the competency of people and the quality of life.

### Mission

Qatar Foundation's mission is to prepare the people of Qatar and the region to meet the challenges of an ever-changing world, and to make Qatar a leader in innovative education and research. To achieve that mission, QF supports a network of centers and partnerships with elite institutions, all committed to the principle that a nation's greatest natural resource is its people. Education City, Qatar Foundation's flagship project is envisioned as a Center of Excellence in education and research that will help transform Qatar into a knowledge-based society.

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