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- QatarDebate Center concludes the European Universities Arabic Debating Championship in the Austrian capital of Vienna
- The European Institute of human sciences team from Germany crowned champions of QatarDebate Centre's EUADC 2019

Doha - QatarDebate

QatarDebate Center (QD) a member of Qatar Foundation (QF), concluded the European Universities Arabic Debating Championship, hosted in the Austrian capital of Vienna from 3-5 January. The three-day tournament featured 20 universities representing 15 European countries.

The European Institute of human sciences team from Germany was awarded the championship title, while the Yalova University team from Turkey took second place. The two teams debated the motion, 'This House believes that the time has come to replace international laws with a single universal constitution'.

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Dr. Hayat Abdulla Maarafi, Executive Director of QatarDebate, said: “This is an exceptional achievement in QD Center history, which is a good start of the year 2019, stressing the center keenness through this tournament on the rise of the Arabic language to use the debate in an effective way, noting the importance of debate role in influencing young people thought.”

Commenting on the “EUADC 2019” Aisha Al-Nesf, Head of Educational Programs-QatarDebate, said:” The tournament is a diverse and wonderful gathering, with many cultures, tendencies, and views, and they have met with the principles of debate and thought, as well as the practice of Arabic.” Abdulrahman Al-Subaie, Head of Outreach Program - QatarDebate, expressed his thanks to all those who thought, organized and implemented this tournament, especially QatarDebate Center, particularly Dr. Hayat Abdulla Maarafi, Executive Director of QatarDebate for her trust in the Qatari delegation.

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Al-Subaie said: "We conclude today the first European debate Championship in Arabic organized by QD in Vienna, a championship was entitled Civilization Dialogue on the European student's tongue, We gather today to announce that QatarDebate center has reached every spot in the world through the dissemination the art of debate and expression of opinion, which is one of the pillars of human life.

He also extended thanks to all the distinguished media and the management of The European Institute of human sciences in Germany for their idea, and to all participating teams, judges, and volunteers.

"We had the opportunity to participate in the 4th International University Arabic Debating championship 2017 in Qatar," said Mrs. Amel Al Rabai, Head of Arabic Language at the European College of Humanities, Frankfurt.

Mrs. Amel Al Rabai presented her idea to QatarDebate management to organize a European universities debate Championship in the Arabic language, which welcomed the idea and ensured the organization and held in Vienna.

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Notes to Editors:

QatarDebate Center: The idea of launching QatarDebate had emerged from the vision of Her Highness Sheikha Moza bint Nasser Al Thani -Chairman of Qatar Foundation for Education, Science and Community Development, which is based on human development as the most expensive wealth through two parallel lines: transplant science and knowledge and launch enhancing the skills of creative talent: the ability to express opinion and interact with others and not a collision with them.

Thousands of students underwent to training courses organized by QatarDebate, and many of them participated in local, regional and global tournaments which organized by "QatarDebate" Center, and so many proven over the success of the "QatarDebate" during the last period, and reflects the great effort done by the officials in the center... QatarDebate helped to achieve its objectives the great support given by the Qatar Foundation for Education, Science and Community Development...

The QatarDebate Center was founded in 2008 in order to develop the level of open discussion and debate and promote it among students in Qatar and the Middle East, including contributing to the preparation of global citizens and leaders of thoughts in the future.
