

Visiting Scholars Programme

About the Programme

Each quarter, a renowned international scholar or policy-maker is invited to contribute to the work of the WANA Institute. Visiting Scholars are housed at the Majlis El Hassan and provided with office space together at the WANA Institute for 3-6 month placements. Visiting scholars are selected on the basis of their capacity to bring unique expertise, insight and experience to a specific research project.

Purpose of the El Hassan Fellowship Programme

The scholars advance the work of the WANA Institute by mentoring and advising a research project team, as well as authoring or co-authoring a number of short academic pieces, providing keynote addresses, and participating in other stakeholder events. It is expected that their presence will advance the reputation and outreach of the WANA Institute, enhance the quality of its outputs, improve research methodologies, and facilitate new partnerships with the visiting scholar's institution.

Inclusions

- Return economy airfares to Amman, Jordan from the Fellow's country of origin;
- Accommodation;

- Health insurance;
- A monthly stipend; and
- Visa.

Selection criteria

- Demonstrated expertise in a subject that sits within one of the WANA Institute focus areas: social justice, green economy or human security.
- Professor or Associate Professor level, or equivalent international programming experience.
- Fluent written and spoken English, Arabic is highly desirable.

Applications

Interested candidates should send their current CV along with a covering note explaining their motivations and availability to info@wanainstitute.org.

About WANA Institute

The WANA Institute is the only region-focused, interdisciplinary policy think tank working towards more informed development strategies in the West Asia – North Africa region. The Institute conducts qualitative and quantitative research, hosts conferences and events that provide a space for non-politicised discussion on key development challenges, and undertakes capacity building initiatives for civil society groups. All of the

Institute's work is focused on the areas of social justice, green economy and human security. The Institute believes that development challenges require regional, cooperative approaches from an interdisciplinary perspective. Additionally, it believes civil society must be strengthened to become a vital stakeholder in the region and that we need far greater insight into the impact of development initiatives to ascertain levels of success. The WANA Institute is chaired by His Royal Highness, Prince El Hassan bin Talal and operates from the Majlis El Hassan in Amman, Jordan.

About HRH Prince El Hassan Bin Talal

A pluralist, believing in consensus and respect for the other, HRH Prince El Hassan bin Talal believes in societies in which all peoples can live, work and function in freedom and with dignity. This goal has been the driving force behind his interest and involvement in humanitarian and interfaith issues, with particular stress on the human dimension of conflicts.

HRH has initiated, founded and is actively involved in a number of Jordanian and international institutes and committees. He co-chaired the Independent Commission on International Humanitarian Issues (ICHI) 1983, and is currently Chairman of the Higher Council for Science and Technology, the Royal Institute for Inter-Faith Studies, the Royal Scientific Society, the West Asia-North Africa Institute, and President and Patron of the Arab Thought Forum.

HRH is a Trustee of the UK-based Coexistence Trust and is President of the Foundation for Inter-religious and Intercultural Research and Dialogue and President Emeritus of the World Conference of Religions for Peace. HRH is a Board Member of the Nuclear Threat Initiative (NTI), served as a Commissioner on Legal Empowerment for the Poor and is a Patron of the Global Centre for the Responsibility to Protect. From 2013 to 2014, HRH was the Chairman of the United Nations Secretary-General's Advisory Board on Water and Sanitation (UNSGAB). HRH is the author of nine books.