



FOOD & AGRICULTURE WEEK

Post-Summit Excursion

**Organized by
Aridland Agriculture Department**

27 – 28 March 2013

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The Post-Summit Excursion will allow students, faculty members and laboratory specialists to present their research ideas and facilities, and to discuss opportunities for future collaboration. International speakers of the Summit will be invited to the UAEU in Al Ain, where they will visit the Experimental Farm in Al Foah and the Maquam Campus. Students and Faculty members are welcome to contribute presentations to the Research & Education Forum that aims at fostering scientific discussions and the development of joint ideas. On its last day, the post-Summit event will offer a guided visit to the Al Ain Oasis, where all Guests, Faculty members and students can enjoy the beauty of the place and learn about how date palm orchards were maintained in ancient times. Representatives of the Al Ain Municipality will explain their current ambitions to save irrigation water spent on maintaining the Oasis without changing its overall traditional appearance. Faculty members and experts from abroad will be very welcome to share their ideas and suggestions.

Program

27 th March	Activity
10:30 am– 12:30 pm	Visit of Scientific Guests to the Al Foah Experimental Farm of the UAE University Exhibition of ongoing experiments, plant and animal research facilities <i>-Open to UAEU Faculty and Students -</i>
2:00 pm– 6:00 pm	Visit of Scientific Guests to the Department of Aridland Agriculture of the UAE University Research & Education Collaboration Forum <i>-Open to CFA Faculty and all UAEU Students-</i>
2:00 –2:10	Welcome note Dr. Elke Gabriel Chair, Department of Aridland Agriculture, College of Food and Agriculture, UAE University, Al Ain, UAE.
2:10 – 3:15	Overview over the main areas of horticultural research at UAEU Various Faculty Members and their Students Department of Aridland Agriculture, College of Food and Agriculture, UAE University, Al Ain, UAE
3:15 – 4:15	Coffee and round table discussion on future ideas for collaboration in research & education All Forum participants
4:15 – 5:30	Tour around the UAEU Maquam Campus and agricultural research facilities Laboratory Specialists & Faculty members Department of Aridland Agriculture, College of Food and Agriculture, UAE University, Al Ain, UAE
7:00 pm	Dinner with Scientific Guests at the Ayla Hotel <i>-Open to UAEU Faculty and Students at their own expense -</i>

28th March Activity

9:00 am–
12:00 pm
Meeting
point: Al Ain
Oasis

Visit of Scientific Guests to the Al Ain Oasis with its traditional 'Falaj' irrigation system & Brainstorming on strategies for improving the water use efficiency of this system without changing its characteristic features.

-Open to CFA Faculty and Students-

Representatives of the Al Ain Municipality & Researchers
Horticultural Sector of the Al Ain Municipality & UAE University,
Department of Aridland Agriculture