



Ankabut "Spider" spins faster webs for academics @ UAEU

Under the Patronage of His Excellency Sheikh Nahyan Bin Mubarak Al-Nahyan, Chancellor of UAEU and Minister of Higher Education and Scientific Research, United Arab Emirates University hosted Ankabut Users' Meeting on September 18 and 19, 2012. The Ankabut Users' Meeting has exceeded by far all expectations, with almost 400 attendees on both days which is a new record registered only through UAEU.

The Ankabut users' meeting was attended by Vice Chancellor of UAEU, Dr. Mugheer Al-Khaili, Director General of Abu Dhabi Education Council and Dr. Arif Al-Hammadi, Executive Vice President of Khalifa University.

The sessions of the event focused on "Discovering Ankabut" with H. David Lambert, President and CEO of Internet2 and Dr. Salem Alaghtash, Managing Director of the Arab States Research and Education Network (ASREN) as key speakers at this event.

The sessions also featured a session on "Preparing state of the art ICT infrastructure to support modern mobile devices, the planning and implementation experience on deploying iPad-based learning for foundation courses", by our very own Sharath Hedge, Manager of IT Support Services and Muhammad Imran, Manager of Email Services.

What people said ...

"I have been to a lot of conferences and Ankabut always organizes great events. I love using internet2 as an educational network and the Ankabut Users' Meeting was essential to help us take full advantage of internet2 in the web community", Raed Shehada, Web Design Specialist, UITS.

"I believe such events are very informative for those directly involved in such implementations. These kinds of events bring everyone to a common platform to sit and discuss the issues and challenges faced. Researchers should be directly involved in these events in order to extend networking and social contacts with other colleagues in the rest of world", Umair Gul Memon, Network Administrator, UITS.

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