



Bridging the Gap: Innovations Across Academia and Industry in Information Technology

22 March 2017 Venue: Hall 104, Said Khouri Bld., Birzeit University Workshop Agenda

| 8:30-9:30 | Registration | Moderator |
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| | Opening, Welcome Notes and Introductions | |
| 9:30- 10:00 | - Dr. Abdellatif Abuhijleh- Birzeit University President | Dr. Mamoun |
| | - Dr. Yahya Al-Salqan - Chairman of PITA | Nawahdah |
| | Higher Education and Innovations | |
| 10:00-11:00 | - Dr. Busri Saleh (Ministry of Higher Education) | Dr. Mirvat |
| | - Dr. Abdellatif Abuhijleh (President of Birzeit University) | Bulbul |
| | - Dr. Imad AlKhateeb (President of Palestine Polytechnic University) | |
| | - Dr. Marwan Awartani (President of Palestine Technical University - | |
| | Kadoorie) | |
| 11:00-11:15 | Coffee Break | |
| | Academia-Industry Collaborations | |
| 11:15-12:15 | - Ammar Aker - Chief Executive Officer at Palestine | Mr. Omar |
| | Telecommunications (Paltel) Group | Al-Sahli |
| | - Hassan Qassem – Chairman OF Dimensions | |
| | - Dr. Adel Taweel – Professor at BZU (challenges & opportunities: a UK | |
| | perspective) | |
| 12:15-13:00 | Prof François Bry (keynote speech) | Dr. Adnan |
| | "How Human Computation and Data Science are Transforming Human Collaboration" | Yahya |
| | Initiatives and Next Steps | |
| 13:00-14:00 | Academia – Industry Initiatives | Dr. Yahya |
| | Erasmus+ (Dr. Nidal Jayousi) | Al-Salqan |
| | Jossor (PMDP) | |
| | PICTI (Maher Alawneh) | |
| | IBDAA (Rasem Suwan) | |
| | Open Discussion | |
| | Debriefing /Recommendations/way forward | |
| 14:00 | Lunch and Close | |

Keynote Speaker Biography:

François Bry is a professor at the Institute for Informatics of the Ludwig Maximilians University of Munich, Germany. He is currently investigating Human Computation and Technology Enhanced Learning. Before joining University of Munich in1994, he worked in industry in France and Germany, in particular with the research centre ECRC in Munich.