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# Istanbul Okan University and GMC Studies unveil first joint office in Bangladesh

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Istanbul Okan University, recognised for its commitment to global education, marked a milestone by establishing its first office in Bangladesh in collaboration with GMC studies. The inauguration ceremony took place on January 14.

Arif Hasan Chowdhury, Managing Director, GMC Studies, commenced the event. He talked about GMC Studies' unwavering commitment to strengthening global connections through exceptional educational support. He said, "In collaboration with



#### Net Zero Festival jointly organised by SUB and DAEJAYON, Korea

The Department of Food **Engineering and Technology** (FET). State University of Bangladesh (SUB), and DAEJAYON (composed of university students from all over the world), Seoul, South Korea jointly organised a twodav Net Zero Festival between January 23 and 24 at the SUB permanent campus. The programme included several events such as the signing of an MoU between SUB and DAEJAYON, an interactive session related to Green Campus and Green Planet, Korean games, languages, traditional dress, etc. Prof. Dr Chowdhury Mofizur Rahman, Vice Chancellor (Designate), SUB, and Seo Mikyung, Bangladesh Representative, DAEJAYON signed the MoU. The programme was convened by Dr M. Shafiur Rahman, Associate Professor and Head, the Department of FET. This strategic collaborative programme emphasises a joint commitment to establishing environmental clubs to address crucial issues like environmentfriendly packaging materials, enhancing food safety and security, and combating environmental pollution.

Istanbul Okan University, our objective is to foster a synergistic environment that not only enriches the educational journey for students but also plays a pivotal role in advancing knowledge and nurturing future leaders."

Omer Faruk Erkan, Director, International Office, Istanbul Okan University said, "This partnership signifies our commitment to providing exceptional educational opportunities and global experiences for our students." This partnership between GMC Studies and Istanbul Okan University is poised to serve as a stepping stone in assisting Bangladeshi aspirants to pursue global education.



# EWU welcomes Spring semester freshers

The orientation programme for the newly admitted students for the Spring semester 2024 of East West University (EWU) was held at the EWU campus on January 25. Almost 1600 students were admitted to the undergraduate and graduate programmes in 13 different departments this semester. The objective of the orientation programme was to welcome the new students and introduce them to the university facilities, faculty members, academic systems, and the rules and regulations of the institution. Each Department of EWU arranged individual programmes for their newly admitted students.

These programmes were attended by Prof. Dr Mohammed Farashuddin, Chief Adviser, EWU, and former Governor of Bangladesh Bank; Prof. Dr Shams Rahman, Vice Chancellor, EWU; Prof. Dr M. Ashike Mosaddik, Pro Vice Chancellor, EWU; EWU Deans, and EWU alumni.

Speakers welcomed the freshers to the EWU campus and encouraged them to work hard and be the future leaders of the country. Along with academic education, they also urged the newly admitted students to make the best use of university resources and take the opportunity to develop human qualities and innovative abilities.

#### Uddami Ami's fifth cohort kicks off at BRAC University

Uddami Ami, an initiative led by the Research & Professional Development Center (RPDC) of BRAC Business School, BRAC University kicked off its fifth cohort recently. The programme is crafted to educate female business owners on the particulars of entrepreneurial processes, challenges, and adaptations to a business environment. Established as a social endeavour, Uddami Ami aims to invigorate women-led enterprises and foster a supportive network for knowledge exchange.

With a focus on addressing the needs of women entrepreneurs, Uddami Ami targets new and aspiring individuals to empower them economically and help them be self-sufficient. The sixweek training programme provides participants with valuable insight into the complexities of initiating a new venture. The programme will culminate



with an industry visit and a Business Plan Pitch Competition, where the top three performers stand a chance to win a total cash prize of BDT 100,000.

Having successfully trained over a hundred entrepreneurs in previous cohorts, the current programme welcomes 19 enthusiastic entrepreneurs representing diverse sectors.

Uddami Ami continues to be a catalyst for women's economic empowerment, fostering a community of skilled and resilient entrepreneurs ready to contribute to the business landscape.

### NUB hosts round table discussion on supply chain management

Northern University Bangladesh (NUB) hosted a round table discussion titled "The Evolving Careers in Supply Chain Management: Trends, Challenges, and Opportunities" on January 27, bringing together academics and industry leaders to explore the landscape of SCM in Bangladesh. NUB BoT Chairman Prof. Dr Abu Yousuf Md. Abdullah attended the event as the Chief Guest. NUB VC Prof. Dr Anwar Hossain chaired the event. Prof. Abdullah outlined the evolving global trends in SCM, highlighting the increasing adoption of automation, artificial intelligence, and data analytics. The engaging panel discussion, moderated by NUB Pro-VC Prof. Dr Nazrul Islam featured the perspectives of a range of experts. Discussions took place on the academic challenges in nurturing future SCM professionals, the evolving job market

for SCM graduates, and the real-world challenges and opportunities in the field.