

Digital networking meeting with GJU alumni in Germany

Since 2018, the Alumni Ambassadors Program (APP) has been one of the key initiatives of the GJU Project Office to foster connections between German-Jordanian University (GJU) and University of Applied Sciences Magdeburg-Stendal with GJU graduates who started their professional careers and/or continued their academic education in Germany.

To deepen the regional networking of GJU alumni in Germany, to strengthen the exchange between the GJU and its graduates as well as to further develop the alumni work in a well-founded way, the first joint event took place digitally on Saturday, 05.08.2023 in preparation for this year's GJU Alumni Ambassador Meeting 2023. GJU alumnus Omar Anabtawi moderated through the program, who started by welcoming GJU President Prof. Dr. Ala `aldeen Al-Halhouli, who highlighted the importance of alumni work at GJU. Furthermore, he addressed the role of alumni as ambassadors for the GJU and for the country of Jordan in Germany and the world, as well as the high rate of employability of GJU graduates. This was followed by the presentation of the German-Jordanian Association by the President Dr. Jochen Pleines, and Prof. Dr. Anton Mangstl, former Vice President for International Affairs of the GJU. The organization offers essential interfaces and networking opportunities between the two countries Germany and Jordan.

In order to further develop the foundation of alumni work at the GJU and within the community of GJU graduates in the AAP, the contribution of keynote speaker Loreen Bahour, Alumni Relations Specialist of the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland (RSCI) Bahrain, invited from Bahrain, was extremely purposeful and successful. In particular, the early retention of students at the university, the lifelong support of graduates on their career path and the networking of alumni through various event formats as well as the opportunity to use the academic and professional-practical knowledge of this human capital were in the focus.

During the second half of Saturday morning, the participants of the alumni meeting continued the two informative presentations and engaged in further discussions in their regional alumni groups in Germany. Nationwide, a total of over 60 GJU alumni participated in the digital exchange. To promote networking among each other in Germany and to increasingly strengthen cooperation between GJU Ambassadors and the German and Jordanian multipliers, the GJU Alumni Ambassador Meeting 2023 will be held in presence in Hamburg in early October. Special thanks go to the organizers Abdullah Nsair, Ramz Sbeitan, Hasan Jaber and Rashad Barakeh, who made this successful start possible and who will welcome the GJU alumni again from 06.10.-08.10.2023 in the North.