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All sessions will be held at Lecture Hall A, Main Building

10:30 a.m.  Welcoming Remarks  
Dr Susan Mumm, AUS Chancellor

Inaugural Keynote Remarks  
H.E. Mohammed Al Musharrakh, CEO, Sharjah FDI Office – Invest in Sharjah (AUS Alumnus)

11:00 a.m.  Session keynote:  
The impact of technological advances on youth labor markets  
Ghada Abdelkader, Senior VP, CE- Invests

Panel Discussion: Skills gap – Towards a collaborative cooperation between industry and academia  
Technological and digital transformations have changed the fundamentals of work and widened the gap. Understanding these shifts and how they are disrupting work environments will help educational institutions, business leaders, students and alumni make the right decisions in developing the skills of the future to succeed in the job market.

Siladitya Bandyopadhay, VP Analytics & Insights, P&G  
Kerem Cengiz, Managing Director, LWK+PARTNERS  
Christopher Cook, Managing Director, A.P. Moller – Maersk  
Belgin Ertam, VP HR MENAT, GE

Moderator:  
Dimitris Tsouroplis, HR Director, Crescent Enterprises
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12:00p.m.  Break

12:15p.m.  Session keynote:
The future of the educational system in response to the changing environment
Dr. Juan Sanchez, Provost and Chief Academic Officer, AUS

Panel Discussion:
Enhancing students’ experience and developing the skills of the future | Proactive role of the academic institutions
The changes in the employment landscape will affect the future demand for different types of jobs and the skills required. The ways that these trends are interacting affects the skills needed and predicts which jobs would be on the rise, and which would be in decline. The discussion will also focus on the future of training systems, such as internships and co-op programs, and the role of educational institutions and employers in creating the right environment for the skills development of future graduates.

David Casey, Expert Advisor, UAEU
Kylie Elbert, Director of Graduate Success, Macquarie University (Sydney)
Abdelrahman Al Jahoushi, Employability & Industry Engagement Director, Higher Colleges of Technology (HCT)

Moderator:
David Lumson, Middle East Regional Manager, Symplicity Corporation
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13:15p.m. Lunch Break

14:00p.m. Fireside Chat:
Future Trends: Digitization and Its Impact on Employment
To stay competitive in the current environment, organizations and nations need to anticipate the most significant technology trends that are shaping their businesses or services and then develop innovative ways to use them to their advantage in line with their strategies and the development of their human capital.

H.E. Sheikh Saud bin Sultan Al Qasemi, Director, Sharjah Digital Office (AUS Alumnus)

Interviewed by:
Thomas Jepsen, President International, Symplicity Corporation

Closing Remarks:
Dr Juan Sanchez, Provost and Chief Academic Officer, AUS

15:00p.m. Employer Informational Session
Introduction to P&G: Summer internship and graduate opportunities

Rashed Alsadiq, HR Director, P&G (AUS Alumnus)
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16:00p.m.  Panel Discussion: Utilizing technologies to enhance student engagement and graduate outcomes
Hear from senior representatives from both the USA and UAE on how they have embraced technology to help guide their student towards increased engagement, improved experience and better outcomes.

Dr Emanuel (Manny) Contomanolis, Director of the Office of Career Services, Harvard University
Mohamed Yassine Otmani, Career Services Manager, AUS
Michael Rjeily, Senior Manager – Employability, Higher Colleges of Technology

Moderated by: Khaled Chebat, RVP International Strategy, Symplicity

17:00p.m.  End of Day 1

On-campus AUS Career Fair (day 2) starts on March 16 at 9:00a.m. at the AUS Main Building Rotunda.