CALL FOR PARTICIPATION

You, Junior Scientist, Engineer, Designer, Photographer, Planner, Economist and Architect, explore the living and non-living world and discover the mysteries of human existence and relationships with the surrounding environment. You get inspired from nature for your art and you design your ventures in sciences based on the wisdom gained when you observe the natural world.

While focusing on Marine Biodiversity, you are invited to discover your capacity and participate in the interfaculty events organized to celebrate with the world communities the International Day for Biological Diversity (IDB) ‘in situ at NDU’. You can be an active participant in the event through attending seminars and documentaries and/or joining the poster, photography and crafts competitions.

NDU, believing in its students, their capacities and their driven state of mind to build a better world, calls for your active participation in the various interfaculty activities on Marine Biodiversity. So, let us join hands to raise awareness on the importance of the protection of marine biodiversity!

Eligibility
The poster and photography competitions are open to all NDU Student enrolled in the Academic year 2011-2012

Prizes
First Prize: USD 500
Second Prize: USD 300
Third Prize: USD 200

BOOK YOUR AGENDA

OPENING, WINNERS ANNOUNCEMENT AND AWARDS DISTRIBUTION
UNDER THE PATRONAGE OF MR. NAZEM EL KHOURY, MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND FR. WALID MOUSSA
Date: May 24th, 2012 at 11:00 AM
Venue: Issam Fares
Running Exhibition: May 24th-25th
Venue: Exhibition Hall (10:00 AM- 5:00 PM)

Posters Competition
Submission Deadline
May 15th, 2012

Photography Competition
Submission Deadline
April 27th, 2012

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2012 INTERNATIONAL DAY FOR BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY
MARINE BIODIVERSITY

The Faculty of Natural & Applied Sciences in close collaboration with the University Research Board is organizing a series of interfaculty events to celebrate the International Day on Biological Diversity (IDB) from May 21st till 29th, 2012 and to raise awareness on the importance of marine biodiversity. Awareness on biodiversity empowers communities to be part of public participation processes and to better protect biodiversity. Its importance is globally highlighted each year on the International Day for Biological Diversity (IDB) on May 22nd of each year as proclaimed by the UN.

Biodiversity is defined as the variability among living organisms from all sources including, inter alia, terrestrial, marine and other aquatic ecosystems. It encompasses the ecological complexes of which they are part.

Did you know that natural diversity enriches our lives because it enriches our extended self and thus brings us greater self-realization?

It is essential for our personal growth.
### Seminars

**Venue: Abou Khater**

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