

## **The Arabian Gulf University Collaborates with GISTEC On GIS And Remote sensing**

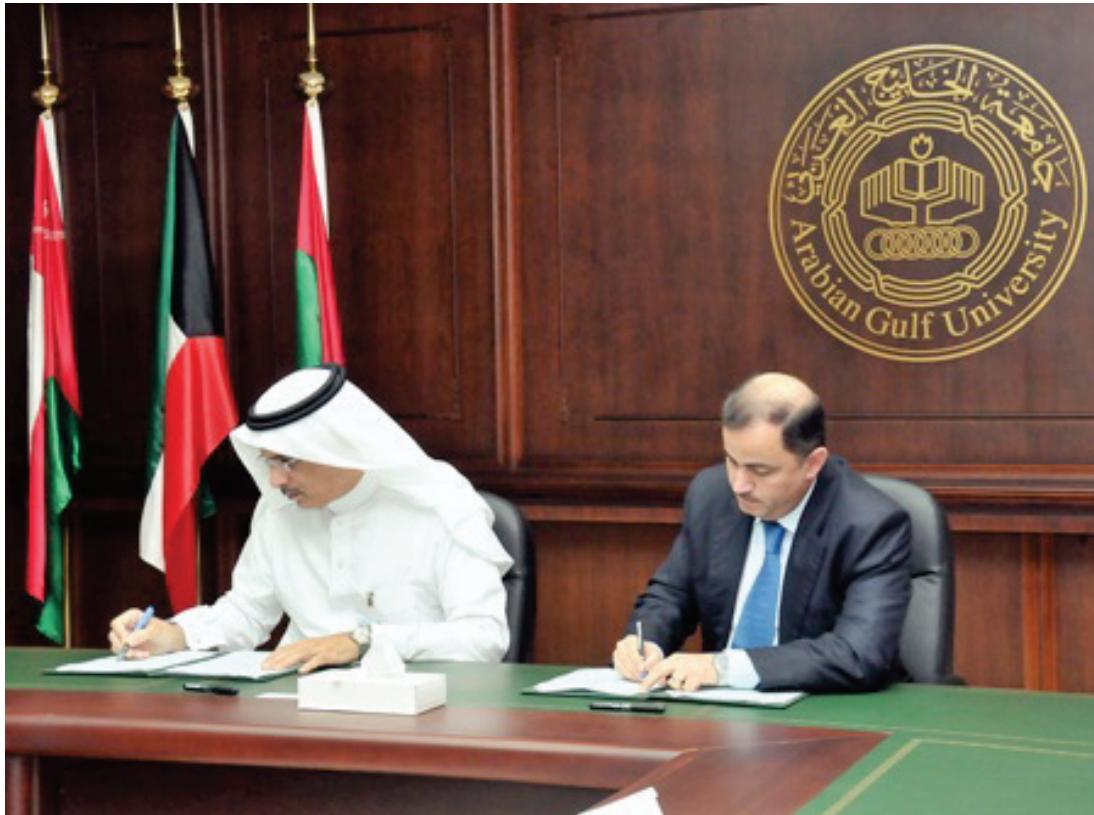
*Arabian Gulf University, Bahrain (October 02, 2012) - A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) has been signed on 02 October 2012 between the Arabian Gulf University and GISTEC by the President of the University, Dr. Khalid Al-Ohal; and the Managing Director & CEO of GISTEC, Mr. Mohamed Abuziad.*

The purpose of the MOU is to develop and carry out collaborative activities in furtherance of the common interest of the two institutions. The scope covers continuing education, capacity development and software licensing in Geoinformatics' areas especially GIS and Remote Sensing. "With this collaboration we aim to pursue our leadership by establishing alliances with leading private sector institutes in technology as well as the adoption and diffusion of innovation" says Dr. Waleed Khalil Zubari, Dean of Graduate Studies College (AGU).

It also includes the organization of symposia, conferences, short courses and meetings on the use of GIS and RS software, applications and tools in research issues, in addition to exchange of staffs, job placement and internship for postgraduate students.

Through this collaboration, GISTEC will act as a representative of GIS professional sector in the Continuing Advisory Committee for AGU's GIS-RS specialization. GISTEC might also be approached to act as a member of the Program Review Committee.

The two institutions both desire to catalyze the synergy between higher educational institutions and the professional sector to effectively and optimally up-rise the benefit of adopting Geoinformatics in the whole Middle East region. "It is part of our Corporate Social Responsibility to contribute in building an advanced society" emphasized Mohamed Abuziad, GISTEC CEO.



*Dr. Khalid Al-Ohal [left] and Mr. Mohamed Abuziad [right] appending their signatures to the MOU and exchanging documents.*



*Group picture showing representatives from both institutions.*

#### **About Arabian Gulf University:**

The idea to build the Arabian Gulf University was based on the belief in the importance of university and higher level education in the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) society. This would be the start of satisfying the needs of GCC countries in terms of specialists and experts in various occupational fields connected to society.

After studying the cultural, social, and economic situation in the GCC region, the challenges it faces, the shared historical background was also examined. It was found that united aspirations towards a brighter future, one of which was to create a melded co-existence, of mentality and of advancement in knowledge for members of the society at large to promote the area and growth in its various sectors.

With this in mind, the General Convention of Arab Education for the GCC at its fourth meeting was held in Bahrain on the 4th of Jumada al-Oola, 1399 A.H, corresponding to the 3rd and 4th of April, 1979, the convention and it was decided to establish the Arabian Gulf University to be located in the Kingdom of Bahrain.

#### **About GISTEC:**

GISTEC is a professional services company specialized in the development of intelligent, enterprise wide geospatial solutions. Its services include GIS consulting, database services, geographic imaging, applications development, technical support, server & Web GIS, and training.

GISTEC offers its customers a selection of geospatial solutions including software from leading vendors such as Esri, AED-SICAD, Latitude Geographics, PCI Geomatics, QCoherent, Con terra, HNIT-BALTIC, 3-GIS, Ericsson and SAFE Software. [www.gistec.com](http://www.gistec.com)

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