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KOC marked the 34<sup>th</sup> anniversary of November 6, the day the last oil well fire was extinguished following the 1991 invasion, with an official ceremony held in collaboration with the Scientific Center under the slogan “May You Remain Heroes”.

The ceremony was attended by KOC’s CEO Ahmad Jaber Al-Eidan, Chairman of the Board of the Scientific Center, Dr. Redha AlHasan, and several high officials from KOC, the Scientific Center, and government entities, along with some members of the heroic Kuwaiti firefighting team, who made historic achievements at the time.

Among the attendees were KOC’s Deputy CEOs for Admin & Finance, Waleed Al-Rubaian; Exploration & Drilling, Khaled Al-Mulla; Gas & Environment, Ameena Rajab; South & East Kuwait, Fuad Al-Shaikh; and North & West Kuwait, Hamad Al-Zuwayyer. The General Manager of the Scientific Center, Eng. Musaed Al Yaseen, was also present, along with several partners and guests, including Head of Mission of UN Human Settlements Program (UN-Habitat) to GCC and Kuwait, Dr. Amira Al-Hassan.

The event also hosted special guest David Douglas, the director behind the acclaimed film “Fires of Kuwait”, who was honored by both Al-Eidan and Al-Yaseen. In his speech, Douglas expressed his pleasure to be back in Kuwait after 34 years, thanking KOC for its support in re-releasing the film in IMAX, and making a critical part of Kuwaiti history more accessible to a wider audience.

The event also included a short film produced by KOC, telling the true story of the heroic efforts and sacrifices made by the Company’s firefighting team, who succeeded in saving Kuwait from one of the largest environmental disasters in the world.

The ceremony concluded with a tour of the Scientific Center, followed by a screening of the iconic “Fires of Kuwait” film in its new IMAX version. This was followed by a live demonstration by KOC firefighters. The event continued with a three-day commemorative program at the Scientific Center, featuring a variety of scientific, practical, and field activities, which was open to the public. Among these activities were ones for children, as well as the ‘Seen Jeem’ trivia competition.



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## KOC Participates in ADIPEC 2025

Winning first prize at the event for a project on applying AI in oil operations



KOC participated in the Abu Dhabi International Petroleum Exhibition and Conference (ADIPEC 2025), which was hosted by the UAE capital over four days and organized by ADNOC.

The Company's delegation to this event, which is considered the largest globally in the energy sector, was headed by DCEO Commercial & Projects Engineering, Musaed Al-Rasheed, and included several Group Managers, Team Leaders, experts, and specialists.

During the event, Al-Rasheed held a series of meetings with senior officials from several participating international companies, during which areas of cooperation, exchange of expertise, and ways to enhance future partnership opportunities were discussed. He also gave an interview with Sky News, in which he addressed the Company's latest and most prominent projects, plans, and strategies.

For its part, the Company's booth at the exhibition witnessed a wide attendance from international entities and companies that viewed presentations introducing KOC's projects and its future directions in the energy sector.

The Company also achieved a significant accomplishment at this event, as its project titled "Application of Intelligent Waterflood Optimization for the Greater Burgan Oilfield" won first place, earning recognition from the

organizers for the three engineers who prepared and developed the project, in appreciation of their efforts and their role in promoting innovation and technological development.

The three engineers are Senior Geologist in the Greater Burgan Studies Team, Eman Hussein; Senior Reservoir Engineer in the Integration Excellence Team (S&EK), Kholoud Al-Rasheedi; and Senior Petroleum Engineer in the Research & Technology (Subsurface) Team, Noor Al-Kandari.

Meanwhile, Petroleum Engineers Mohammad Al-Eidi from the Fields Development Team (Minagish) and Rawan Al-Enezi from the Prospect Evaluation Team (I) delivered a presentation on Assessing Leakage in a Shallow Water Well After an Explosion: A Case Study in West Kuwait, which received acclaim and appreciation from the participants.

This year's edition was held under the slogan 'Smart Energy for Rapid Progress', and was considered the largest in the history of the event, as it witnessed the attendance of more than 45 ministers and 250 CEOs from around the world, in addition to industry, finance, and technology leaders from more than 172 countries.

The accompanying exhibition also received more than 205,000 visitors, while the number of exhibiting entities approached 2,250.











## KOC and KNG Conduct Annual Joint Exercise

Carried out at Magwa field to assess the readiness of emergency and incident response



As part of the cooperation protocol between KOC and the Kuwait National Guard, both parties conducted the joint annual exercise under the annual program, following the authorized procedures and plans.

The exercise took place in the presence of DCEO N&WK Hamad Al-Zuwayyer, along with several Group Managers and Team Leaders, as well as officials from the National Guard, the Ministry of Interior, the Kuwait Fire Force, and the Ministry of Health.

The goal of the exercise, which was conducted at the Magwa oil field, was to assess the readiness of emergency response teams and handle potential risks associated with the Company's operations, while testing communication and coordination plans and procedures.

The exercise included several scenarios to simulate the risks associated with KOC's operations, testing plans, procedures, and communication methods between the two sides.

On this occasion, Al-Zuwayyer noted that this exercise is part of the Company's annual plan to enhance readiness, meet HSSE

requirements, and strengthen cooperation and teamwork between relevant government agencies.

Al-Zuwayyer addressed the participating employees, praising their crucial role in supporting the Company's operations and ensuring the safety of employees and facilities. He also thanked them for their excellent representation of KOC.

In turn, Manager HSE Group Nasser Al-Buhairi stated that the Company's Higher Management has made the development of HSSE systems a top priority, along with ensuring operational continuity. This includes updating control and command centers, developing specialized national personnel, and equipping them with the resources and capabilities to perform their duties. The Company is also implementing international best practices across all related areas.

Al-Buhairi also emphasized the vital role of the Company's employees in securing KOC's position among the trusted global energy suppliers and contributing to the nation's economic growth.





## KOC Hosts 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition Petroleum Systems of the Middle East GTW

Bringing together around 125 experts from 37 local, regional, and international entities



KOC hosted the Second Edition of the Petroleum Systems of the Middle East GTW, which took place at the Jumeirah Hotel in Messilah over three days.

The workshop, organized jointly by the American Association of Petroleum Geologists (AAPG), the European Association of Geoscientists and Engineers (EAGE), and the Kuwait Geosciences Society (KGS), saw the participation of 125 experts and specialists representing 37 local, regional, and international entities. These included companies operating in the energy, oil, and gas industries, as well as academic institutions.

In a scientific first, a diverse collection of core rocks, totaling 480 feet in length, was displayed. These rocks came from Oman, Bahrain, Saudi Arabia, and Kuwait, representing various geological periods, including the Precambrian, Cambrian, Silurian, Oxfordian, and Tithonian-Berrisian periods. This marked the longest collection of rocks ever presented in a scientific event in Kuwait's history.

Among those involved in the workshop were KOC's Exploration Group Manager, Jarrah Al-Jenaie; the Company's New Ventures Group

Manager and AAPG Middle East President, Talal Al-Adwani; and the Company's Senior Geochemist and President of the KGS, Dr. Mubarak Al-Hajri.

The workshop, which was sponsored by Shell and TotalEnergies, discussed the challenges and solutions related to petroleum systems. The rare rocks exhibited contributed to enhancing the scientific diversity and richness of the event, with Kuwaiti rocks representing the Jurassic period, Omani rocks from the Precambrian era, and Saudi rocks from the Silurian period.

Experts from outside Kuwait represented several countries, including Oman, Bahrain, Saudi Arabia, Malaysia, Turkey, France, Germany, the United Kingdom, and the United States.

On the sidelines of the workshop, a tour of the Ahmed Al-Jaber Oil & Gas Exhibition, affiliated with KOC, was organized for participants. They explored the exhibition's unique experience and interactive facilities, which explain the history and evolution of the oil industry in Kuwait. The tour concluded with a gala dinner and appreciation ceremony for the technical committee.







## First batch of Certified Technicians Graduate from UK AI Academy

The first initiative of its kind in AI for the oil and gas industry in Kuwait and the Middle East



For the first time in the State of Kuwait and the Middle East, KOC, represented by the Gas Fields Development Group, has graduated the first batch of certified technicians from the Artificial Intelligence Academy in the United Kingdom, in cooperation with the international oil services company SLB.

This initiative, which is considered the first of its kind in the field of artificial intelligence in the oil and gas industry, is part of KOC's ongoing digital transformation journey. It reflects the Company's commitment to building future-ready capabilities, empowering Kuwaiti talents, and equipping them with the scientific and cognitive skills necessary to lead digital transformation and accelerate oil and gas upstream operations in the State of Kuwait.

This program is considered one of the strategic projects within the intelligent plan that includes a set of AI-based initiatives under KWIDF.

It will significantly and effectively contribute to developing technical capabilities and competencies in creating smart solutions related to production and performance optimization.

The 12-week intensive program focused on applying artificial intelligence and machine learning in production operations, optimization, and planning, and included hands-on sessions and knowledge sharing with SLB experts enabling participants to enhance their skills and contribute more effectively to future operations.

The visit also included a meeting between the GFD Manager Mohammad Al-Bahar and SLB executive management to explore digital technology solutions across production, subsurface, and drilling, reinforcing the KwIDF program as a key platform for advancing digital initiatives.

This was the first batch of the program, with more planned to further strengthen capabilities and expand AI/ML adoption.





## KOC Inaugurates BP ESP Academy

Demonstrating KOC's commitment to professional and operational excellence in oilfield technology



KOC inaugurated the BP ESP Academy, a groundbreaking training initiative aimed at elevating engineering expertise in Electrical Submersible Pump (ESP) technology. It has successfully completed its initial three workshops for KOC Fields Development Group (S&EK) in collaboration with the Planning Team in the same Directorate.

This marks a significant milestone in transferring critical industry knowledge to the Kuwaiti workforce in the Company. The program is designed to equip emerging Petroleum Engineers and Reservoir Engineers with the specialized skills needed to optimize oil production through the efficient deployment and management of ESP systems.

In a concerted effort to foster local capabilities and promote best practices, the BP ESP Academy was structured around well renowned publications such as Gabor Takacs' "Electrical Submersible Pumps Manual", as well as industry best practices -ISO 15551-1 and API RP 11S1 and BP's internal processes and guidelines.

In this context, Manager FD S&EK Group Abdulla Al-Rabah paid a visit to the academy, where he met with the course participants together with TL Fields Development (SK) Ruqaya Al-Zaabi, TL Fields Development (EK-II) Dhuha Al-Khalid, TL Fields Development (EK-I) Abdullah Al-Watyan, and Artificial Lift Unit Lead Abdullah BuQrais.

In his remarks, Al-Rabah stressed the importance of courses like this, which will deliver the skills KOC engineers need to achieve the Company's organizational targets.

From his side, Ali Izzidien, BP Artificial Lift Petroleum Engineer, and course instructor, emphasized that the goal of the ESP Academy is not just to teach theory, but to build a strong foundation of practical understanding and critical thinking.

This initiative reflects KOC's commitment to professional development and operational excellence in oilfield technology.







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