Director, Asfari Institute for Civil Society and Citizenship

The American University of Beirut (AUB) invites applications and nominations for the position of founding director of the Asfari Institute for Civil Society and Citizenship, a regional hub for academics, practitioners, and policy makers committed to exploring associational life in the Arab world and to advancing realistic solutions for effective civil society and citizenship. Reporting to the provost, the director will develop the Institute’s strategy and lead its operations, including programs (research, education, outreach), partnerships, public relations, budgeting, fundraising, assessment, and reporting.

The director will be a dynamic visionary and authority on the Arab world (particularly the E. Mediterranean) with a clear understanding of emerging opportunities for positive change. Holding an advanced degree (preferably PhD) in a pertinent field, the director will have strong scholarly/research credentials and extensive hands-on experience in national or international organizations involved in civil society and/or citizenship. S/he will also possess outstanding leadership, communication, and interpersonal skills; the ability to work with people from a range of backgrounds; and fluency in written and spoken English and Arabic.

Applications, nominations, and requests for more information may be sent to provost@aub.edu.lb. Applicants should include a statement of interest, CV, and references. Review of materials will begin on 28/2/13 and will continue until the director is selected. AUB is an equal opportunity employer.