

Munib and Angela Masri Institute of Energy and Natural Resources

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Introduction

The Munib and Angela Masri Institute of Energy and Natural Resources at the American University of Beirut (AUB) was established in June 2007 through a generous endowment pledge of \$5 million by AUB Trustee Munib Masri of the Munib R. Masri Foundation.

Mission

The Munib and Angela Masri Institute of Energy and Natural Resources provides a vehicle for promoting research and advanced study in the petroleum, water, and energy disciplines, as well as a focal point for collaborative research among scientists, engineers, and professionals in Lebanon and in the region at large. The institute serves as an interfaculty coordinating unit in AUB and a catalyst for advanced research in the sciences and engineering for the management and conservation of natural resources and energy.

Objectives

The objectives of The Munib and Angela Masri Institute of Energy and Natural Resources are the following:

- Conduct research in the sciences, engineering, and business with special emphasis on energy and natural resources
- Promote and contribute to the advancement of training programs in the petroleum and energy sciences and in the effective use and management of natural resources
- Support postdoctoral research and education at AUB, and at other local and regional universities, and foster a multidisciplinary environment encompassing the various areas of energy and natural resource science
- Identify and pursue promising new fields of science, engineering, business, and/or policy studies that could be integrated into the Masri Institute and the university
- Act as a focal point for promoting collaborative research among scientists and professionals in the region, partly by accommodating visitors for various intervals of time, and also by organizing topical meetings, workshops, and conferences in different fields

Activities of the Institute

The activities of The Munib and Angela Masri Institute of Energy and Natural Resources are the following:

- Organize seminars
- Invite visiting scholars
- Administer research awards in relevant themes
- Organize International Workshops
- Organize High Impact Conferences
- Offer Professional Training Programs
- Facilitate research and development projects on energy to be performed at relevant academic units at AUB