



AUB to inaugurate first high-tech automation lab in the region

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Under the patronage of Industrialists' Association President Nehmet Frem, the Faculty of Engineering and Architecture at the American University [FEA] of Beirut is inaugurating the first high-tech automation lab in the Arab region on Wednesday, May 26, 2010, at 5:30 pm.

The OMRON Industrial Automation Lab will be hosted at the faculty and will cater to students, faculty members, and industrialists alike.

The leading Japanese OMRON Corporation builds operational controllers and sensing and safety components for machines in the manufacturing industry. METACS is its official distributor in Lebanon.

Co-sponsored by METACS, OMRON, and FEA, the lab will introduce students to the automation technology, which is widespread in all modern factories, thus enabling AUB's engineering graduates to better compete in the job market.

The lab could potentially be used to allow AUB to partner with the private sector and offer training workshops.

The inauguration will be attended by a number of top-level OMRON staff including its European CEO, Lebanese industrialists, members of the Lebanese private and public sectors, as well as faculty members.