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## **AUB alumni Emira Hayat Arslan and Sheikha Hissa Al-Sabah to speak at world alumni convention**

*Special graduation ceremony to be held for 1974 alumni whose commencement was canceled due to a long national strike*

Beirut, Lebanon- 13/06/2014 - The Worldwide Alumni Association of the American University of Beirut (WAAAUB) will be holding its annual Convention and Reunion weekend on June 20, 21, and 22.

During the convention, alumni who graduated 25 and 50 years ago will be honored, and those who graduated in 1974 will have the opportunity to participate in their commencement exercises for the first time, after their 1974 graduation ceremony was canceled due to a long national strike.

Speakers during the weekend will include Emira Hayat Arslan and Sheikha Hissah Al-Sabah, head of the Arab Women's Business Council and a successful entrepreneur.

Moreover, Lebanese sculptor, a Lebanese environmentalist, a philanthropist, and a Pakistani scholar among other alumni will be honored during the convention weekend.

The convention will take place on **Friday, June 20, 2014, 2 pm-5:30 pm, at the WAAAUB Alumni Clubhouse / Mary Dodge Building. Other alumni activities will take place on June 20 and 21, as outlined in the attached programs.**

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**Note to Editors**

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