

In the Name of Allah,

The Most Compassionate, The Most Merciful.

I am honored to meet you on this particular educational and developmental occasion to officially announce the opening of the Community College of Qatar (CCQ) after the completion of all the facilities and preparations. The college will start its activities in September receiving the first batch of students for the academic year 2010 – 2011.

Following our leadership's wise vision and directives, the Supreme Education Council (SEC), has focused on encouraging excellence and providing the best educational alternatives to our youth in order for them to obtain the best education and meet the Qatar National Vision 2030 of creating a knowledge-based economy.

The State of Qatar believes that prosperity can only be achieved by investing in its human resources. Qatar has placed education quality and development as its national priority and allocated huge financial funds for expenditure believing that investing in the Qatari citizen guarantees its place in the 21st Century global economy.

In order to implement these objectives, we worked within the framework of sound scientific planning to meet the country's educational needs through establishing the CCQ, an outgrowth of Education for a New Era's goals. The college adds to the already existing array of higher education institutions in the country that enable our youth to continue their education after they graduate from the secondary stages.

The Community College is a scientific college established after obtaining the best international examples, practices and experiences. The CCQ offers specialized courses, and qualifies the students either to join the labor market or continue their studies in the best educational institutions and universities in Qatar and internationally.

The CCQ aims to build a generation of excellence including engineers, economy specialists, educational experts, legal experts, and doctors that may enhance their skills and talents with education and knowledge and lead the developmental efforts towards building a better future for Qatar.

On this occasion, I urge Qatari youth to discover the various academic programs and opportunities accessible to them and offered by the college. The programs are based on the internationally accredited academic standards and features. Apart from short term training courses in all the subjects that meet the labor market, the college will offer internationally accredited diploma certificates.

In conclusion, I extend my appreciation to the role played by the CCQ steering committee members who worked tirelessly being entrusted with the mission of establishing the community college in 2008. They will explain their journey from vision stage to reality.