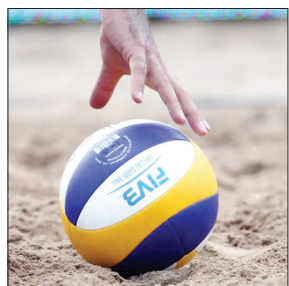


## 2,300 Works Registered in Farabi Festival

Dr. Hossein Mirzaei, secretary to 8th Farabi International Festival, mentioned that the due time for submission of articles in this festival is ending and that this event will be held in Research Week. Mirzaei said: "As to high demands for participation in the festival, the due time for submission of articles in 8th Farabi International Festival was extended for one more week, and the applicants have until the end of the current week to send in their works to the festival's secretariat." Mirzaei went on: "Further extension of the due time is not certain; therefore, those who are interested should register their final works, including research reports, theses, books that have been published in the past four years (beginning of 1391 to end of 1394) on the festival's website." He continued: "So far, 2,300 works have been registered in Farabi International Festival. The final number of the works will be announced when the due time is over. According to the plan, 8th Farabi International Festival will be held in the coming December, simultaneous to the Week of Research, and the President will also attend it."

## POINT OF VIEW



## Beach Volleyball Camp to be Built by IAU

In a ceremony held in Aliabad Katoul branch of the Islamic Azad University, homage was paid to the champion team of beach volleyball of this branch. Dr. Alireza Ladan-Moghadam, director of Aliabad Katoul branch, mentioned that a true champion is the one who can defeat his/her own dark side. This ceremony was held in celebration of Aliabad Katoul branch which had achieved the top rank in 5th national competitions of volleyball. Dr. Moghaddam, said: "Volleyball team of Aliabad Katoul branch, with players such as Bahman Salemi and Rahman Raoufi, earned an impressive position in the competitions which was held in Nour county, with 32 other teams participating." Having considered the fact that 90-percent of professional beach volleyball players in the country are from Golestan, Dr. Ghorbani, head of PE department of Aliabad Katoul, also said: "If the head office of IAU agrees to this suggestion, we will establish a world-class beach volleyball camp. Establishing this camp will be our current priority. By doing this, we would try to make use of the facilities and make this branch of IAU known in the international stage."

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IAU's Chairman Met with Iran's FM

## Cooperation of IAU and Ministry of Foreign Affairs



Dr. Zarif & Dr. Mirzadeh



Dr. Hamid Mirzadeh, chairman of the Islamic Azad University, met with Dr. Mohammad-Javad Zarif, Iran's foreign minister, to discuss joint issues and the topic of international activities of the university. In this meeting, Dr. Zarif emphasized on the presence of IAU and other universities in the international scene, especially with regards to general and scientific diplomacy of the country and announced his ministry's readiness to cooperate with IAU. He said: "IAU has a great capacity which could be used in development attempts focused on scientific standing of the country." He also mentioned his personal cooperation with IAU in a previous occasion, explaining his close affinity with this academic organization as the source of his knowledge, claiming it as one of the most prominent achievements of the Islamic Revolution. He expressed hope that such great progress could be extended to the international fields. He maintained that he had suggested establishment of an international

center for higher education, saying: "Such an establishment could help in coming with terms with the international trends in a more academic and scientific way, and it would assist professors, specialists and students in the international stage."

### International IAU

Next in the meeting, Dr. Mirzadeh said: "Due to JCPOA, IAU has found ample opportunity to extend its activities in the world and to develop its international network in different countries. We are committed to sought the helping hand of foreign ministry for scientific and research cooperation overseas and to attract Persian speaking students." He gave a brief report on IAU's offices opened in Milan, Essen, Moscow, Oxford, Dubai, Beirut, and Kabul as a part of the university's international network and appreciated the support shown by Iran's embassies in the respective countries. Dr. Mirzadeh said: "IAU is ready to extend its network and branches to countries

suggested by the foreign ministry."

Also in this meeting, the international activities of the university and its strategic plan for the next 4 years were presented. The program of IAU's network was next explained which is intended to admit Iranian students residing overseas or all those who are Persian speakers. According to this program, virtual branch of IAU would be the authority which will admit these students in graduate programs which are going to be presented in Persian.

Dr. Hossein Ebrahimi, IAU's deputy of International Affairs, presented the report of Strategic Council of International Affairs on the number of foreign students in this university, establishment of D8 University in Ayatollah Amoli branch, and registration system for Iranians residing overseas or Persian-speaking applicants. In the end, Dr. Zarif repeated the readiness of his ministry for cooperation with IAU in academic and international projects and it was decided that this be relayed to the representatives of both parties.

## Iran's News

## Eliminating Bacteria and Fungus without UV Rays



Mehran Seyed-Masoumi, executive of this research project, says: "The anti-bacterial ceramic tiles are chemically stable; hence they could be used in various settings such as homes, hospitals and treatment centers. We have produced anti-bacterial tiles through nano-composite particles, which are capable of eliminating microbes and could be a substitute for disinfectants. Using these in hospitals would elevate the safety level, in addition to reducing the hospital expenses." He mentioned that the nano-composite particles are capable of eliminating 650 bacteria kind and added: "The nano-composite particles and metal ions are placed in the tile's enamel, which deactivates

the cultivation and reproduction of the bacteria, at the time of the bacteria's placement on the tile's surface." The executive official of this project stated that the nanoparticles were used as additive materials to the tile's enamel and said: "The metal encapsulated with various materials has adequate chemical stability and frees the metal ion shortly, which causes the ceramic tile to show permanent anti-bacterial properties." According to Mehran Seyed-Masoumi, the anti-bacterial property of these ceramic tiles is permanent. They are capable of automatically and continuously maintaining their eliminating properties in absolute darkness, which resolves the need to using UV rays.

## National and International SAMA Language Institute



Qasem Yazdan-Panah, deputy of Education and Research of SAMA organization, emphasized on the inbound and outbound trips of the managers of SAMA institutes for gaining experience, particularly to Italy and Germany, and said: "One of the objectives of SAMA is to establish educational and cultural branches in countries such as Iraq, Oman, United Arab Emirates and Afghanistan."

He continued: "Other objectives of this organization concern establishing companies for developing products and the achievements of the students, and allocating a share of the revenue raised through selling the products to the involved students, for the purpose

of creating job opportunities for SAMA's students; in addition to constructing a knowledge company for SAMA organization." Yazdan-Panah went on: "Considering our most important objective, that is, offering social services, we intend to select certain schools in deprived areas which lack adequate educational space, and dedicate our efforts to developing these schools further in terms of quality and quantity. This would create an opportunity for the students, staff and the parents to participate in educational affairs, helping the schools to grow further and offer valuable services to the public, in addition to developing the culture and education of deprived regions."



SATURDAY, JULY 23: IAU'S COUNCIL OF EDUCATED WOMEN VISITED PARDIS BRANCH.

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## IRAN UPDATES

### Rouhani to Attend Tripartite Summit in Baku

Iranian President, Hassan Rouhani, will participate in a trilateral summit attended by his Azeri and Russian counterparts in Azerbaijan's capital of Baku next month. Rouhani will leave Tehran for the Azeri capital on August 8 to attend the summit with presidents of Azerbaijan and Russia, Ilham Aliyev and Vladimir Putin, and to hold talks with them. During the meeting, which is held upon an offer by Azerbaijan's Aliyev, the three presidents will exchange views about ways to bolster relations and discuss the latest regional developments. In April, Iranian Foreign Minister, Mohammad-Javad Zarif, and his Russian and Azeri counterparts, Sergei Lavrov and Elmar Mam-madyarov, held talks in Baku to discuss trilateral ties and cooperation.

### IRGC Arrests Suspects in Terror Attack in West Iran

Iran's Islamic Revolution Guards Corps forces have arrested three people suspected of being behind a recent terrorist attack targeting an Iranian lawmaker in the western province of Kermanshah, an IRGC commander says. IRGC spokesman, Brigadier General Ramezan Sharif, said on Saturday that the three were detained in Kermanshah Province over their alleged link with an assassination attempt against Heshmatollah Falahatpisheh, the representative of the county of Eslamabad-e Gharb, earlier this month. He added that investigations into the terrorist attack are ongoing and noted that the results would be publicized as soon as possible. On July 10, Falahatpisheh escaped an assassination attempt unhurt after the vehicle carrying him came under an attack by terrorists as he was travelling to the village of Rijab.

### No Link between Munich Shooting Rampage and Iranian Community

A senior Iranian diplomat says there is no connection whatsoever between the Munich rampage, reportedly carried out by a German teen of Iranian descent, and the community of Iranian expatriates in Germany. "The German police see no link between the attacker and the refined Iranian community," Iran's Consul General in Munich Abdollah Nekounam said on Saturday. He added that the Germans will continue to look upon the Iranian society in a positive and favorable light. Nekounam noted that he had held detailed talks with the Munich Police Chief, Hubertus Andrae, and one of his deputies on Saturday, a day after at least nine people were killed in a shooting at a major shopping center in the southern German city of Munich. On Friday, an 18-year-old man, said to be German-Iranian, with no criminal record, went on a shooting spree at the Munich Olympia Shopping Center, killing nine people.

## SPECIAL REPORTS

### Inside IAU

## Inauguration of Ardabil Branch's Dormitory



Yousef Sajed, Development Deputy of Ardabil branch, says: "The construction of this donated dormitory started two years ago in an area of 180 sq/ms. At the moment, the finished building's premises has expanded to an area of 950 sq/ms, with a 5-story building and 19 suite rooms, and the capacity to accommodate 100 students. It is equipped with kitchen, joint dining hall, elevator and other necessary facilities. The safety and utility standards have been considered in the construction of this establishment, which would become operational in the near future."

This faculty member of Ardabil branch mentioned the hospital of this branch with the capacity of 96 patients and said: "The construction process began in 2004 and in 2009, after receiving approval from the head office, this deputy was entrusted with completing it. Since 2011 the process has gained more speed with regards to construction and facilities. Subsequently, the construction was completed in 2014 and the special treatment clinics were assigned to the Medical University of Ardabil. Based on the agreement, other sectors such as ICU, CCU, surgery and emergency rooms have been equipped by the university and are ready to become operational." He added: "We intend to establish an administrative-educational building adjacent to the science faculty in an area of over 9,000 sq/ms; right now we are working on receiving the required permissions. The students' parking lot, built in an area of 6,000 sq/ms with a separated entrance, is now operational and without charging any entrance fee, helps in resolving the traffic of the main entrance." According to Yousef Sajed, another development project of this branch concerns the labs of the Danesh Complex; these labs have been renovated and restored through SAHA system for offering the best possible services.