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### eginning!

Nizamuddin Rezahi, Communication Specialist for English Language at Kardan University, marks the beginning of an exciting chapter in his life on December 19, 2019.

We wish him a happy married life!

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	istant Professor, MIR	January 1
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Admission Officer		January 29



Hamid Khan

### Welcoming to the Team!



### Mr. Faridullah Ahmadzai

**Construction Engineer** 

**Mr. Faridullah Ahmadzai** joined Kardan University as Construction Engineer for Kardan University's new campus development project.

Mr. Ahmadzai completed his Masters of Science in Structural Engineering from Kabul Polytechnic University in 2017, and his Bachelors of Science in Civil Engineering from Shaikh Zayed University in 2012.

He has received several training in Advanced Survey including Total Station, Level Machine and GPS, Engineering Software such as Autocad, Revit Architecture, STAAD, Pro V8i, ETABS, Civil 3D, Eagle Point, Primavera P6, Project Planning and Scheduling Tools, Project Monitoring and Evaluation, Microsoft Project and Construction Safety and Health.

Mr. Ahmadzai has worked as Civil Engineer and Field Engineer with Asia Consultancy Group in the years 2017 - 2019. He also served as a Project Manager with Afghan Builders Consortium and Architect and Quality Assurance Engineer from 2015-2017.

As a Senior Engineer, he worked with Wash Program, UNICEF, and a Civil Engineer for the Bamyan Airport project with Japan International Cooperation Agency in the years 2013-2014.

Mr. Ahmadzai can be reached via f.ahmadzai@kardan.edu.af.

We welcome Mr. Ahmadzai to Kardan University and wish him the best of luck on this project.



**Mr. Tamim Yaqubi** joined Kardan University as IT Assistant for Kardan University. Currently, Tamim is pursuing his bachelor's degree in Computer Science at Kardan University specializing in Networking.

Previously, he has worked as IT Officer with Omarn Improver Engineering & Construction Company. In 2016, He served as a computer and English Language trainer at Qutub English Language and Computer Center.

He will be providing support to computer lab systems across campuses of Kardan University including the development and maintenance of IT services.

He can be reached via t.yaquubi@kardan.edu.af. Welcome to the Kardan team.



**Mr. Fetratullah Nadeem** joined Kardan University as Cashier/Teller in Parwan-e-Du Campus.

He graduated from the Institute of Management and Accounting in 2014 and has completed his internship in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

He holds a Diploma in the English Language from Muslim English Language Institute and a Certificate in IT from the Ideal Information Institute.

He is available via VOIP 2016 and f.nadeem@kardan.edu.af.

Welcome to Kardan University.



**Mr. Mohammad Nadeem Ghafoori** joined MIS Team of Kardan University as a Junior Web Developer.

Mr. Nadeem Ghafoori is currently specializing in Software Engineering at Kardan University. Previously, he worked as Scope Data Collection Operator with Welthungerhilfe (WHH) from January 2019 to November 2019.

He is five times winner of the Academic Excellence Award, second position holder in Book Reading Competition and participated in the International Collegiate Contest in Kabul. His email address is n.ghafoori@kardan.edu.af.

Welcome to Kardan University.

## **Employee of the Month**



We are pleased to announce **Mr. Gul Rahman Abdulrahimzai** as our Employee of the Month for December 2019.

Mr. Gul Rahman is a hardworking and committed employee. Securing the highest ratings in the Ministry of Higher Education's recent evaluation among all private universities in Afghanistan, the Department of Civil Engineering of Kardan University is an outstanding example of academic standards and excellence.

Leading students and faculty members of Bachelor's in Civil Engineering, Mr. Gul Rahman actively engages students in practical work, labs, site visits and other extra-and-co-curricular activities. Mr. Gul Rahman proved to be a successful academic administrator.

We congratulate Mr. Gul Rahman and his team on this achievement and wish them best of luck on this significant milestone.

Once again, Congratulations!





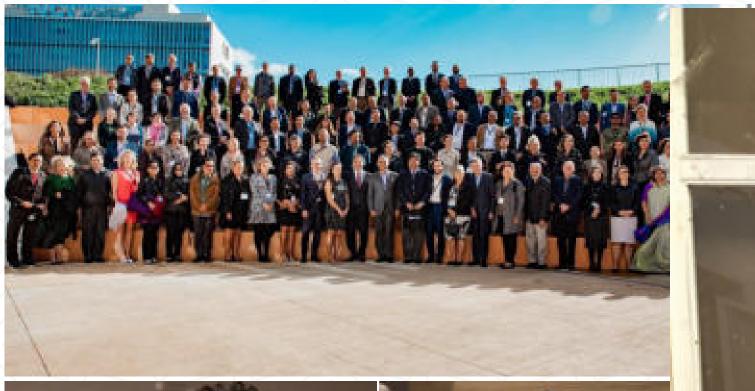
Mr. Roeen Rahmani, Roohullah Rahimi, and Hardy Tran visit the US to explore academic partnerships and prospects including our work with Texas A&M.

#### Mr. Mirwais Nahzat, Kardan University's Chief Operating Officer, attended 14th Annual Global Business School Network Conference (GBSN) in Lisbon, Portugal.

Mirwais Nahzat, Kardan University's Chief Operating Officer, represented Afghanistan at the 14th Annual Conference of the Global Business School Network (GBSN) held in Lisbon, Portugal from November 6-8, 2019.

The conference brought together over 170 leaders in business education, industry, development and government from around the world to discuss approaches towards measuring the impact of business schools.

For more details visit: https://gbsn.org/2019-annual-conference/









#### Mr. Abdul Ghaffar Participates in 15th National IT Conference on Digital Strategy Implementation

Mr. Abdul Ghaffar, Assistant Professor in the Department of Computer Science, Faculty of Engineering and Technology, participated in the 15th National IT Conference held in the Ministry of Higher Education. Technical University (TU) of Berlin, Germany, sponsored the Conference.

The Conference started on December 16, 2019, at 1:00 pm. The chief guests were Dr. Hamdullah Mohib, National Security Adviser, and Mr. Mohammad Faheem Hashemi, Acting Minister of Communication and Technology and Prof. Abdul Tawab Balakarzai, Acting Minister of Higher Education.

Different speakers presented their views on the Implementation of Digital Strategy. Dr. Hamdullah Mohib in his speech thanked the Technical University of Berlin for organizing such events and pointed out the importance of collaboration among different government ministries and institutions for the implementation of a centralized Management Information System for the smooth and fast delivery of service.



Mr. Dad Allah Haidary and M.Rafiq Mukhless Participated in E-Procurement and E-Tendering Workshop of NPA



Mr. Dad Allah Hairday and Mohammad Rafiq Mokhless Participated in the E-Procurement and E-Tendering Workshop which was organized by the National Procurement Authority(NPA), Administrative Office of the President (AOP).

This workshop entailed productive discussions around the strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and threats for E-Procurement in Afghanistan.

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The new conference room has all the necessary equipment and facilities for meetings and discussions.

We thank the administration and IT team for such a fantastic job.



## **Spreading Smiles**

Kardan University's Volunteer Club has organized a Cloth and Footwear Donation campaign for this winter. Donation boxes are placed on all three campuses. Please participate in the campaign and spread the word among your students too.

## Reflections

"Since joining Kardan University as Chief Strategy and Growth Officer, I have found that unlike many other organizations that I have worked for, there is a relentless pace to everything at Kardan.

There always seems to be more than one priority that needs to get done, always multiple things on the horizon, and always more value that we can uncover. And partly because of the type of people that we are, many of us also thrive in situations of intensity especially when you tie it to your personal goals and objectives.

An alignment and symbiosis between the professional and the personal may yet be the most conducive state for achieving personal and professional growth. But this we can take up another time, to come back to the pace of work and how to cope with it without burnout or fatigue. One strategy that many have used to good effect is to take time and reflect. Reflecting consistently on yourself, your team, your work, help you gain perspective; it will allow you to see how you fit within the institution and more importantly, enable you to understand the vastly important work that you do and the great community that you are part of.

Amidst the harsh realities of the broader community that we are part of, we live and work in an oasis that stands the best chance to take the society away from its troubles. You can do this after lunch, after prayer, in between meetings or during your health breaks, it can take as little as 5 minutes, and what I find to be useful is to write it with yourself."—Roohullah Rahimi, Chief Strategy and Growth Officer.



## Roohullah Rahimi

Chief Strategy and Growth Officer

## Kardan University Celebrates Staff and Faculty Gala

Kardan University celebrated Staff and Faculty Gala on December 31, 2019. The event brought together faculty and staff celebrating their achievements and success over the past one year. It also gave some the opportunity to showcase their talent in music, comedy, dance, attan and other fun activities. The evening ended with New Year celebration and everyone had a great fun.





























