

**Dear COMSATS Executive Director Mr. Sayed Mohammed
Junaid Zaidi!**

**Dear Chairman of the Coordination Council Mr. Ashraf Hamed
Musa Shaalan!**

Dear guests!

On behalf of Al-Farabi Kazakh National University, I am pleased to welcome all participants of the 21st Meeting of the Coordination Council of COMSATS.

Hosting such a great event of world leading organization, which unites the countries of Asia, Africa, Latin and Central America in Al-Farabi university is a significant event not only for Kazakhstan, but also for the entire CIS.

For Al-Farabi KazNU, which is a well-known world university and the UNAI hub for Sustainable Development, partnership with the COMSATS Excellence Centers is one of the top areas of international and scientific innovation activities.

Our university serves as an ambassador of the state foreign policy in the global arena. We actively cooperate with the countries of the South with the aim of implementing President of Kazakhstan Nursultan Nazarbayev's initiatives on support of scientific and technological modernization in the Islamic Community, which was approved by Astana Declaration of the first summit of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) on Science and Technology.

As a member of COMSATS since 2015, scientists and students of our University take part in joint research and innovation projects and trainings at leading universities of COMSATS member countries.

Last year, we organized two events with COMSATS and with ISESCO. National Seminar on Scientific and Engineering Equipment in Universities and the 7th International Seminar on Cyber Security.

Thus, cooperation with COMSATS Centers is a unique opportunity not only to learn about scientific and technological developments of scientists from the South, but also a good platform to present our own achievements and to ensure the experience, knowledge and technologies transfer for sustainable development of all countries of the South.

Dear guests!

Our university intends to continue developing close cooperation with COMSATS members by adopting knowledge and sharing our own experience for sustainable development, integration of science, education and production.

Our main goal is to improve the level of life of the citizens of our countries by introduction of new technologies into business, service, production and government activities, and resolving common problems by the exchange of our strengths.

Thank you for your attention!