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# MIT Technology Review Arabia announces a new list of “30 leading arab experts in AI”

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### Press Release

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MIT Technology Review Arabia, a Majarra website, announced the first edition of “30 Leading Arab Experts in AI” for the year 2022, the first such list in the Arab region.

Check out the [list here](#).

The list includes 30 Arabs who are the leading experts in the field of AI through their public, private, or academic sector positions in various regional and global organizations and institutions. The list highlights leaders, entrepreneurs, and researchers who have played a key role in increasing the adoption of AI technologies, creating AI start-ups, or driving research in the field. Their contributions cover various disciplines including natural language processing, robotics, artificial vision, machine learning, internet of things, big data, chat-bots, and more.

MIT Technology Review is a leader when it comes to covering AI developments and news in Arabic, dedicating a section that focuses on the latest studies, regional and global news related to the field. Among its most prominent launches in this regard is [AlKhawarazmiya](#) Daily Newsletter (featuring the Arabic word that was later adapted and anglicized to the modern “Algorithm”). The daily newsletter discusses the most recent updates, research, technology, applications, and Arab contributors in AI. Additionally, MIT Technology Review Arabia also dedicates a section towards showcasing notable [Arab leaders impacting](#) various other scientific disciplines. The announcement of the list was made on the first year anniversary of I Khawarazmiya’s launch in 2021.

After several stages of evaluation, the selection committee finalized the winners based on a number of criteria regarding the role each of these individuals played in their field, including:

- The manner in which their specialization, experience, or practical application of AI served their organization or project working in the Arab region.
- Their contribution in increasing the adoption of AI by various sectors.
- Their launch of start-ups utilizing Ai, and fulfilling a specific human need.
- The role they played in driving forward AI research, particularly in natural language processing, robotics, artificial vision, machine learning, internet of things, big data, chat-bots, and more.
- Their endeavor to maximize the benefit of applying this technology across various community sectors.
- Their efforts to simplify the science behind AI to help young researchers and entrepreneurs have greater access to the technology.

The evaluation ultimately selected 30 Arab experts in AI based in different locations worldwide, including: 8 from Saudi Arabia, 4 from the UAE, 3 from Egypt, 2 from each of Palestine, Syria, Morocco, Algeria, and Jordan, as well as experts from Iraq, Oman, Lebanon, Bahrain, and Tunisia. The list includes 12 females and 18 males, with more than 70% of the winners working in organizations and companies based in the Arab World.

You may view the list in full by visiting [this link](#).

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