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Foreword

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One of the main objectives of Naif Arab University for Security Sciences (NAUSS) is to enhance peace, security and justice in the Arab world through education, research, and advanced professional training in various disciplines of security and forensic sciences. NAUSS strives to improve the academic and professional skills of forensic scientists and security personnel to combat crime and terrorism by utilizing all the available tools of modern technology.

NAUSS also realizes the importance of scientific research in the social, economic, and technological development of a society and is, therefore, committed to encouraging and supporting research at every level. At present, all the faculties at NAUSS are actively engaged in teaching and research within its Master's and PhD programs in criminal justice, security, administrative, judicial, strategic, information and forensic sciences. Its academic experts are always at the forefront of research into security sciences.

Dissemination of scientific information and research findings is also of fundamental importance. Therefore, NAUSS has established its own publishing house and is actively publishing security journals, books, magazines, newsletters and research reports covering a variety of topics in criminal justice and security sciences. The Arab Journal of Security Studies & Training (AJSST) is a well-known peer reviewed journal in the Arab world that is published by NAUSS. Security & Life is another well-read monthly magazine in the Arab world. This is in addition to several biweekly and monthly news bulletins about developments

and achievements in security sciences.

In pursuit of its objectives, and in cooperation with other member Arab organizations, NAUSS launched the Arab Society for Forensic Sciences and Forensic Medicine (ASFSFM) in 2013. The ASFSFM has already conducted a training course in forensic medicine and a workshop in combating bioterrorism. The introductory issue of this journal marks the launch of the Arab Journal of Forensic Sciences and Forensic Medicine (AJFSFM). This journal will serve as a platform for Arab forensic scientists, medicolegal experts, and security specialists to share and update their knowledge, professional experience, and academic achievements at regional and international levels. The introductory issue will be followed by the first regular issue of the AJFSFM which is scheduled to be published at the beginning of 2015. The responsibility of making the ASFSFM and the AJFSFM succeed now lies with the scientific community of the Arab world. They should come forward and render their full academic support to the Society and the Journal by contributing their research work to be published in the AJFSFM.

At this historical moment of launching the AJFSFM, I would like to extend my deepest sense of appreciation and gratitude to His Royal Highness, Prince Mohammed bin Naif bin Abdulaziz Al-Saud, Interior Minister of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and Chairman of the Supreme Council of Naif Arab University for Security Sciences, for his generous support in establishing the ASFSFM and the AJFSFM. This would not have been possible without his help and guidance.

Finally, I wish to congratulate the Editor-in-Chief of the AJFSFM, Dr. Abdul Sallam Bakdash, and his entire team, for their tremendous efforts in producing the introductory issue of this journal. I am also grateful to the respectable members of the Editorial and Advisory Board of the Journal for sparing their precious time and honoring their commitments to establish this journal upon a solid academic foundation.

On behalf of the University, I assure full academic, technical, and moral support to the ASFSFM and the AJFSFM in achieving their objectives. I hope that with strong determination and continuous hard work, the AJFSFM will soon earn a reputation as one of the leading journals in the field of forensic science and forensic medicine in the world.

