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<u>Faysal El Kak from AUB elected as Vice President</u> of the International Federation of Gynecology and Obstetrics

Associate Physician at the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology at the American University of Beirut Medical Center and Lecturer at the Faculty of Health Sciences at AUB Dr. Faysal El Kak has been elected Vice President of the International Federation of Gynecology and Obstetrics.

El Kak is the first Lebanese, and the first Arab to hold this position. He has competed in these elections with candidates from Italy, the Netherlands, Kenya, India and South Korea.

The Federation has more than a million and a half gynecologists in 131 countries. It drafts women health and safety plans, develops instructions and medical guidebooks and collaborates with international organizations to implement regional projects in various areas of the world.

Commenting on his election, El Kak said: "FIGO is a highly powered agency that plans implements and overseas women health issues globally. It is a great triumph for LEBANON and the region, hoping to develop collaboration with Between FIGO and AUB."

Professor Giuseppe Benagiano one of the founders of FIGO, told El Kak after the elections that this is a great step for Lebanon and the Arabs..."

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Note to Editors

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