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# ACTVET INSIGHTS

OCTOBER - DECEMBER 2024

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# ACTVET Educational System Graduation



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Under the patronage of His Highness Sheikh Theyab bin Mohamed bin Zayed Al Nahyan, Deputy Chairman of the Presidential Court for Development and Fallen Heroes' Affairs, ACTVET celebrated the graduation of 1,263 students from Fatima College of Health Sciences, Abu Dhabi Vocational Education and Training Institute and Abu Dhabi Polytechnic.

The 2024 graduation ceremony took place at ADNEC on 13<sup>th</sup> November 2024, where His Highness attended the ceremony and honoured 157 outstanding students who graduated with honours.



1,263  
Graduates



157  
Outstanding students



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press release



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video



## ESI 2025

29 September – 1 October 2025  
ADNEC

Expo-Sciences International (ESI) 2025, organised by ACTVET, will serve as a global platform for young innovators aged 13-25 to explore smart solutions that drive positive change, fostering innovation and promoting scientific initiatives.



## World Teachers Day

On World Teachers' Day, celebrated on 5<sup>th</sup> October, Dr. Mubarak Saeed Al Shamsi, the Director General of ACTVET, shared a heartfelt acknowledgement email recognizing the significant efforts and valuable contributions of teachers.

In addition, he shared the names of the teachers from Applied Technology Schools (ATS) who made a lasting difference as per a survey "Student Voice" conducted with 7,708 ATS students across UAE who shared their experience.

MARIAM SALEM  
AL HASSANI  
Social Studies Teacher at  
ATS Al Hilli Campus

SARA MESFER ALI AL  
MANSOORI  
Islamic Studies Teacher at  
ATS Baniyas Campus

AYMAN RIDWAN  
AL SALLOUM  
Arabic Teacher at  
ATS Ajman Campus

# Skills Challenge 2024



تحدي المهارات  
Skills Challenge



The Skills Challenge 2024, held from 14 to 30 October 2024 at Applied Technology Schools (ATS) and Abu Dhabi Polytechnic campuses, was a remarkable success, bringing together high school and college students from across the UAE to compete in 20 skill categories. The competition served as a platform for students to demonstrate their talents and qualify for participation in upcoming EmiratesSkills National Competition (ESNC) in 2025, the largest skill-based competition in the UAE.

921  
Competitors

20  
Skill  
Categories

246  
Students  
Qualified for  
ESNC 2025

Watch the Skills Challenge Videos  
Click the below icons to view



Abu Dhabi



Al Ain



MBZ  
Campus



Al Dhafra



Dubai



Sharjah



Ajman



Fujairah



RAK



Umm Al  
Quwain

# UAE Flag Day

Flag Day, observed on 3 November was celebrated by the entire ACTVET school system on Friday, 1 November 2024 at their respective campuses.



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the Video

# Skills Show is back with its 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition

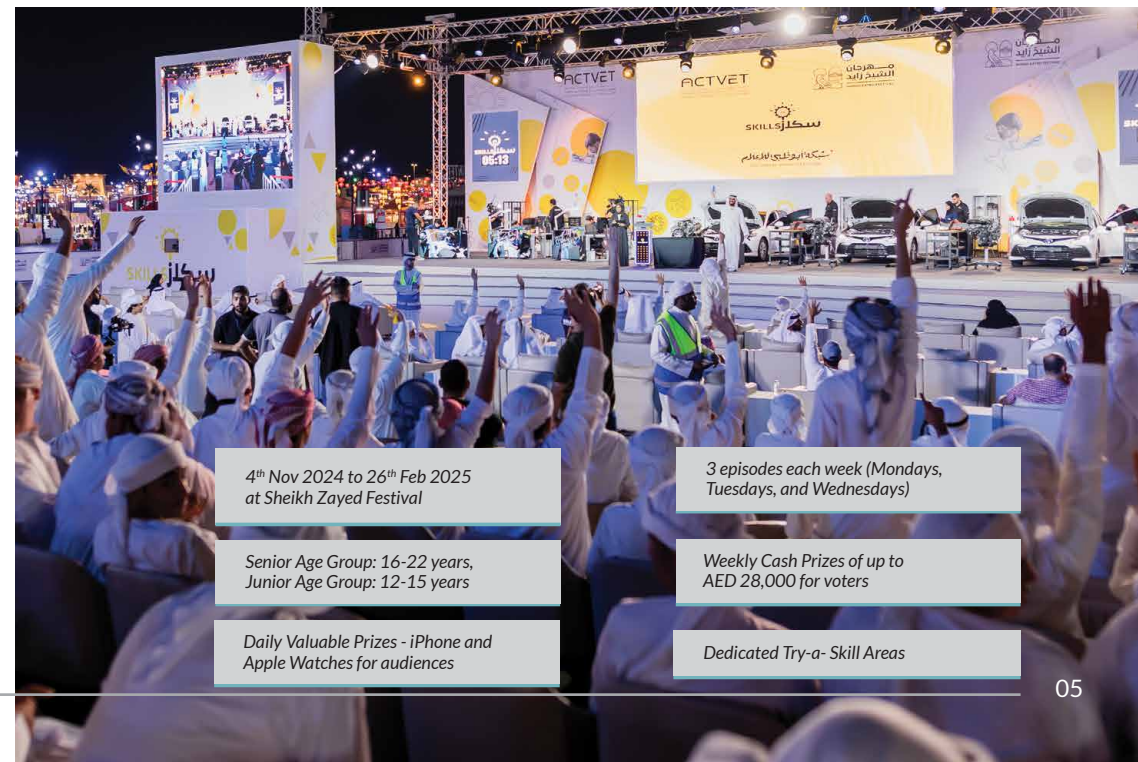
Organized by  
**ACTVET**  
The Skills Centre for  
Education and Training  
Emirates Skills

Sponsored by  
**مهرجان الشيخ زايد**  
Sheikh Zayed Festival

**سكاز**  
SKILLS

Under the directives of His Highness Sheikh Mansour bin Zayed Al Nahyan, Vice President of the UAE, Deputy Prime Minister, and President of the Presidential Court, Under the patronage of the Sheikh Zayed Festival, Organized by ACTVET and in collaboration with Abu Dhabi Media Network.

Watch the  
highlights



4<sup>th</sup> Nov 2024 to 26<sup>th</sup> Feb 2025  
at Sheikh Zayed Festival

Senior Age Group: 16-22 years,  
Junior Age Group: 12-15 years

Daily Valuable Prizes - iPhone and  
Apple Watches for audiences

3 episodes each week (Mondays,  
Tuesdays, and Wednesdays)

Weekly Cash Prizes of up to  
AED 28,000 for voters

Dedicated Try-a- Skill Areas



# Students from Abu Dhabi Polytechnic participated in ADIPEC 2024

Abu Dhabi Polytechnic (AD Poly) participated in the Abu Dhabi International Petroleum Exhibition and Conference (ADIPEC), held from 4<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> November 2024, highlighting their commitment to innovation and sustainability.



A group of ADPoly ISET students participated in the "Cyber Battles -Capture the Flag" Competition at ADIPEC.



**Ms. Shamma Al Shamsi**  
PET-CHET student, presented her research on BioClean-Surf, a new biodegradable surfactant for oil spill clean-up.

# ACTVET Celebrated UAE National Day

ACTVET celebrated UAE National Day on 28 November 2024 with a staff gathering that included a series of engaging activities. The event kicked off with a poetry session, where a staff member shared heartfelt verses reflecting on the nation's rich heritage and achievements.

This was followed by a fun and interactive quiz game, testing everyone's knowledge about the UAE's history, culture, and landmarks. The celebration concluded with a delicious lunch, providing an opportunity for staff to connect, reflect, and enjoy the spirit of unity and patriotism.



UAE National Day on 28 November 2024

# ACTVET Launches “Maharat” Documentary Series



Watch the exciting "Maharat" documentary series, launched by ACTVET in collaboration with Abu Dhabi Media Network. The series started on 13 December 2024, is a reality TV- style show that takes you on an exciting journey through 12 exceptional episodes, exploring the stories of creative Emirati youth in the fields of TVET.

The series spotlights real-life stories and extraordinary achievements of Emirati youth who won global awards at the "WorldSkills Competition 2024 Lyon" in September, as well as others with innovative projects. This documentary series is more than just a program—it's an inspiring journey that reveals how the UAE empowers its youth and opens doors to the future in technical and vocational fields.



Click here to watch the episodes on ADTV App



## ACTVET's Skills Camp Winter 2024

Skills Camp Winter 2024, organized by EmiratesSkills, took place from 16<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> December across Abu Dhabi and Al Ain, offered students a fantastic opportunity to spend their winter break in a productive and enjoyable way by offering training in various technical and vocational skills, allowing them to enhance their expertise while exploring new areas of interest.

15  
SKILLS

103  
PARTICIPANTS

2  
WEEKS

ABU DHABI  
AL AIN



## YES to Work Winter 2024 program



YES to Work Winter Edition was successfully held from 23<sup>rd</sup> December to 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2025, across various locations in the UAE, with 188 candidates successfully completing the program. Yes To Work provides a unique platform for participants to gain valuable work experience, develop their professional skills, and explore career opportunities in a real - world setting.

ACROSS  
UAE

188  
CANDIDATES

SECTORS  
RETAIL  
HOSPITALITY



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## Message from Director General of ACTVET

# Happy New Year and Welcoming 2025 A Year of Growth and Success at ACTVET

Dear Team,

As we prepare to step into 2025, I would like to wish you and your families a joyful and prosperous New Year.

Looking back at 2024, I am proud of what we have accomplished together. From our impressive performance at **WorldSkills International in Lyon** to the successful launch of projects like the **Skills Hub**, the Skills Show, the “**Maharat**” Documentary Series, and the remarkable achievements of our students across various disciplines, this year has showcased your hard work and dedication. Your commitment has been the foundation of **ACTVET's success**.

Now looking ahead at 2025, it promises to be an exciting year filled with opportunities for growth and innovation. Together, we will continue to deliver exceptional **Technical and Vocational Education & Training**, shaping a skilled workforce that aligns with the UAE's evolving needs. With key international events like **ESI 2025**, and **WorldSkills Asia 2025** on the horizon, we are ready to make a significant impact locally and globally.

I encourage each of you to embrace the coming year with optimism and determination. Your talent, creativity, and passion are what make **ACTVET** a leader in our field. Let's build on our achievements, explore new possibilities, and ensure 2025 is a year of meaningful progress and success.

Thank you for your dedication and continuous support. Here's to another incredible year ahead.

Warm regards,

**Dr. Mubarak Alshamsi**  
Director General, ACTVET

