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DERASAT LIBRARY

A QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER



A SPACE TO THINK.SHARE.CONNECT

Now we can literally say "What's brewing at Derasat Library?" Why, it's coffee of course!

We understand that books go very well with coffee, or tea, and so we have opened our cafe area for members and visitors to enjoy premium beverages at the Derasat library.

Derasat Library is a place to think, share and connect, while being surrounded by valuable print and electronic resources in a state-of-the-art, modern facility. The library also offers a computer lab area, interactive screens and free unlimited wi-fi access, which makes it the perfect environment for studying, conducting research and holding discussions.

The library is open Sunday to Thursday from 09:00 AM to 04:00 PM.

ATLAS.TI IS AVAILABLE AT DERASAT LIBRARY

Highly recommended by researchers, Atlas.ti is a software used for qualitative data analysis; especially while working with big data.

Available now to use at Derasat Library, the Atlas.ti (version 8) operates in a revamped interface aimed towards easing the users' workflow.

This software is a powerful tool that performs analytical processes while providing excellent presentation tools. It is available for use at the library during normal working hours.

NEW BOOK TITLES IN THE LIBRARY

Fact: Reading lowers stress levels and improves cognitive skills.
Check out our newly added books on page 2.







ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE AND **BLOCKCHAIN IN LIBRARIES**

Attended by Derasat's librarian, the Library Conference held at Sharjah, UAE in November 2019, presented to librarians from all library types ideas and solutions ranging from tips for providing expert reference and research services, to maintenance and preservation of physical and digital collections.

The two-day conference offered concurrent workshops to librarians by library type (academic, public or special libraries) while more than 20 speakers participated from numerous countries including UAE, Kuwait, Oman, USA, Egypt, Tunisia, Russia and Malaysia.

Artificial intelligence and blockchain technologies were the main focus of this

conference, for their vital role in changing the conventional reference and customer services at libraries. The use of virtual reality in libraries isn't a new thing, as some libraries around the world offer a VR lab where people meet with others from all over the world in a virtual space to collaborate through discussion and demonstration. This annual conference is an opportunity to meet the people in the librarianship profession, and to identify new library trends presented by professionals from all over the world. While Derasat Library is noted for being completely automated in its circulation process through the use of RFID technology, we will always work towards adopting the latest technologies in libraries for the benefit of our library's visitors and

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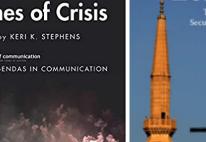
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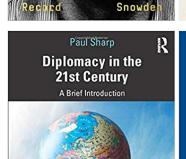
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