





2019 June 27

Canadian Embassy Rue de la Feuille d'Erable Les Berges du Lac II P.O. Box 48 1053, Berges du Lac Tunis, Tunisia

To Her Excellency Carol McQueen,

We are honoured to take this opportunity on behalf of the Glia project – in collaboration with Ecole Supérieure Privée d'Ingénierie et de Technologies (Esprit) and Faculté de Médecine de Tunis (FMT) – to invite your Excellency to join us on July 4, 2019, for an event to celebrate the launch of Glia Tunisia.

The Glia project creates high-quality low-cost medical devices using open source methodologies and innovative technologies such as 3D printing. This project was started in Canada in 2014 and is acclaimed as a groundbreaking project by stakeholders in hospitals, ministries of health and industry. The University of Western Ontario in London, Ontario, is a major contributor to the Glia project's work under the supervision of Dr. Tarek Loubani.

On July 4th, Glia Tunisia will launch in cooperation with Glia, Esprit and FMT. This unique and important collaboration will result in Tunisia developing significant engineering and biomedical capacity to contribute to improving care for patients in Tunisia and the North Africa region. The Deans of Esprit and FMT will give introductory remarks at the launch event.

We invite Her Excellency to join Glia's Canadian team on July 4, 2019 and to give remarks to those assembled celebrating this important link between Tunisia and Canada. At the end of the document, please find included a preliminary schedule of the day.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Dr. Tarek Loubani at +1 519 488 6475 and Dr. Ahmed Abbes at +33 6 42 03 49 75.

We look forward to your engagement in this matter.

Sincerely,



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Addendum 1: Schedule for July 4, 2019

9:30 – 10:00 – Pre-session assembly into room

10:00 – Session start

10:00-10:15 – Remarks by Dean of ESPRIT (Naceur Ammar)

10:20-10:35 – Remarks by Dean of Faculté de Médecine de Tunis (Mohamed Jouini)

10:40-10:55 – Remarks by Canadian Ambassador to Tunisia (Carol McQueen)

11:00-11:15 – Remarks by Palestinian Ambassador to Tunisia (Heil El Fahoum)

11:20-11:45 – Remarks by Glia International (Tarek Loubani)

11:45-12:15 – Question, answer and discussion about Glia's vision and work (all previous speakers)

12:15-12:55 – Lunch

1:00-1:15 – Glia Canada's experiences (Dresden Glockler-Lauf and Lauren Tindale)

1:20-1:35 – Glia Gaza's experiences (Mohammed Abu Matar and Shaker Shaheen)

1:40-1:55 – Closing remarks (Naceur Ammar and Mohamed Jouini)