SHEIKH ZAYED BOOK AWARD KICKS OFF

The committee for the Sheikh Zayed Book Award yesterday concluded its first reading-panel meetings in Abu Dhabi, the first step towards reviewing and selecting eligible nominations for its 10th edition. The committee members included Dr Khalil Al Shaikh, a member of the scientific committee from Jordan, Dr Ali Al Kaabi, a professor at UAE University, and Bahraini critic Dr Dheyaa Al Kaabi. The reading panel was headed by Dr Ali bin Tamim, the award's secretary general. Nominations will be accepted until September 30 via the award's website. The award was established in 2006 to foster greater scholarship and creativity. – WAM