## "Arab Youth Culture and Identity in the Age of Globalization" Fourth Arab Youth Forum 26-28 February 2009

In an attempt to empower youth in Arab societies, and to stress the important role which they play in the development of their societies, the Bibliotheca Alexandrina Arab Reform Forum takes great pleasure in inviting you to a major Arab event that takes place annually at the BA; the Fourth Arab Youth Forum entitled "Arab Youth and Identity in the Age of Globalization", which is organized in cooperation with the Egyptian National Youth Council from 26-28 February 2009.

This year, the Forum focuses on an increasingly important issue that attracts the attention of not only social researchers but also policy makers. Recently, the culture of Arab youth has witnessed remarkable changes as a result of globalization and the rapid progress of ICT, which influence the relation between Arab youth and cultural institutions; as well as youth's vision of reform in the Arab societies.

The Forum aims to get the largest number of Arab youth to participate as well as experts from different institutions in Egypt and the Arab societies. This would help them learn how Arab youth perceive the current situations in their societies and to what extent these situations need to be reformed. The Forum also aims to answer a number of questions that are likely to be raised during the sessions, such as: How does the culture of Arab youth develop? Do youth have a culture? Is this culture compatible or incompatible with the mainstream culture?











