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Martin Hope, Director of British Council Qatar, said: "It is always very interesting to meet our IELTS partners and learn about the challenges they face. The British Council's new IELTS Partnership Programme will give institutions and teachers the support they need



**TOGETHER:** British Council Qatar Director Martin Hope with the 2014 IELTS ambassadors.

to help their students achieve good results and enter the university of their choice?"

The British Council IELTS Stakeholder Event was launched in

2013 with the objective of recognising and supporting schools and institutes who provide IELTS for their students. Schools receive personalised advice and a customised array of

developmental resources from the British Council to create a platform for the continuous improvement of their IELTS programme and better results for their students.

Amanda Ingram, Director English & Exams British Council, added, "I was particularly encouraged by widespread recognition from educators at the event that young students must build up their core English skills during their formative years to be confident of reaching the required IELTS score for later opportunities. It's just too late to wait a month before the IELTS exam."

At the event the British Council also recognised 11 new IELTS ambassadors, who through close collaboration with the British Council want to create a positive environment for their students as they prepare and take IELTS.

Mahmoud Soliman, one of the IELTS ambassadors, said, "To be an IELTS ambassador is the greatest event that has ever happened to me. I would like to thank British Council for everything as it works hard in the field of Education. Go ahead."