



### [AGENDA]

#### **Launch Event:**

# Joint report on Marital Relationship Assessment in the First Five Years of Marriage in the Arab World

Side-Event

In Preparations

for the

30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the International Year of The Family Conference (IYF+30)

1-3 July 2024

St. Regis Hotel, Cairo.

# Agenda

First day: Tuesday, July 2st, 2024

Time	Session
9:00-09:30	Opening remarks: League of The Arab States (LAS) Her Excellency Ambassador Dr. Haifa Abu Ghazaleh, Assistant Secretary-General and Head of the Social Affairs Sector, League of the Arab States (LAS)  Doha International Family Institute (DIFI) Dr. Sharifa Noaman Al Emadi, Executive Director, Doha International Family
	Institute (DIFI)
9:30-11:00	First Session: Discussing the study's Results (An overview of the study and presentation of the causes of early divorce)
	Moderator: Dr. Ahmed Zein El Din Rabah, Family Advisor, Algerian Television EPTV
	Presentation of the Results (show results): Overview of the Study
	Dr. Mamoun Tarabay, Lebanese University
	Causes of Early Divorce in the Arab World Dr. Ahmed Aref, Planning and Content Manager, Doha International Family Institute (DIFI)
	Discussion of the Results:
	Dr. Reem Mamdouh Abu Hassan, former Minister of Social Development, Jordan
	Dr. Saleh Al-Ghadouri, Director of the Social Affairs Department, Executive Director Office of the Council of Ministers of Labor and Social Affairs, Gulf Cooperation Council
	Questions and discussions
11:00-11:30	Coffee break
11:30-01:00	Second Session: Elements of the durability of marriage Moderator: Dr. Sharifa Noaman Al Emadi, Executive Director, Doha International Family Institute (DIFI)

The elements of the durability of marriage: policies and programs perspective Dr. Khadija Mufid, Center for family studies and research in values and law, Morocco

A critical review of civil society regarding the phenomenon of divorce

Dr. Amani Qandil, Arab Network for Civil Society Organizations

Pre-marital Education Programs, Family Counseling, and Supporting Marriage Durability

Dr. Ahmed Zein El Din Rabah, Family Advisor, Algerian Television EPTV

Questions and discussions

01:00-02:00

Lunch

02:00-03:30

Third session: Challenges facing the Arab Families and the pattern of priorities

Moderator: His Excellency Mr. Mohammed bin Hassan Al-Obaid, Director General, Executive Office of the Council of Ministers of Labor and Social Affairs, Gulf Cooperation Council

- The League of Arab States (LAS) study on Contemporary Challenges Facing Arab Families
  - Dr. Engy Mohamed Abdel Hamid, National Center for Social and Criminological Research
- The reality of marriage and the issue of divorce in the Arab Maghreb countries. Dr. Fatima Sadiqui, professor of Linguistics and Gender Studies at Hamad bin Khalid University (HBKU)
- The Family and Updates from the Arab Survey to Achieve Sustainable Development Goals.
  - Dr. Ghada Al-Saleh, Arab League, with a representative from the United Nations Population Fund

Questions and discussions

## Second day: Wednesday, July 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2024

Time	Second day: Wednesday, July 3 <sup>rd</sup> , 2024 Session
9:00-10:30	Review of Arab Experiences in Pre-Marital Education Programs (1)
	Moderator: Dr. Ahmed Aref, Planning and Content Manager, Doha International Family Institute (DIFI)
	- Jordan's experience Dr. Aida Abu Ras, gender and community integration expert
	- Saudi Arabia's experience Hessa bint Abdul Karim Al-Muhanna, Director General of Knowledge Management, Studies and Research, Family Affairs Council
	- UAE's experience Her Excellency Mrs. Maitha Al Shamsi, Executive Director of the Community Empowerment Sector, Dubai Community Development Authority
	<ul> <li>Algeria's experience</li> <li>Wasila El Ashi, Foreign Affairs Advisor at the Permanent Delegation of the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria in Cairo</li> </ul>
	Questions and discussions
10:30-11:00	Coffee break
11:00-12:30	Review of Arab Experiences in Pre-Marital Education Programs (2)
	- Qatar's experience Mr. Saleem Al-Anzi, Deputy Executive Director, Wifaq Center
	<ul> <li>Morocco's experience</li> <li>Dr. Khadija Mufid, Center for family studies and research in values and law,</li> <li>Morocco</li> </ul>
	- Oman's experience Adnan bin Mostafa bin Abdulrahman Al Farisi, National Committee for Family Affairs, Director of the Technical Office
12: 30-01:30	Lunch
	Workshop to Develop an Executive Plan for a Regional Premarital Education Programs

For 45 minutes: Participants will be divided into 3 groups, each group will present a proposal on developing a premarital education program.

For 45 minutes: Groups will present their proposals and agree on the executive mechanisms to proceed with developing a premarital education program

### The third day, Thursday, July 4th

# Side event on the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the International Year of the Family conference

Time	Session
9:00-11:00	Strategic Working Agenda for Families in the Arab Region Moderator: Dr. Mamoun Tarabay, Lebanese University
	Speakers: His Excellency Mr. Tarek Al Ansari, Ambassador of Qatar in Cairo
	Her Excellency Ambassador Dr. Haifa Abu Ghazaleh, Assistant Secretary-General and Head of the Social Affairs Sector, League of Arab States
	<ul> <li>Dr. Sharifa Noaman Al Emadi, Executive Director, Doha International Family Institute (DIFI)</li> <li>Presentation on the preparations for the IYF+30</li> <li>Demonstration video</li> </ul>
	Dr. Ahmed Zein El Din Rabah, Family Advisor, Algerian Television EPTV
	Reference paper on the four megatrends identified by the United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs (UNDESA), for the 30 <sup>th</sup> anniversary of the International Year of the Family conference.
	Questions and discussions