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“Ensuring access to justice for all children: towards non-discriminatory and inclusive child justice systems”

Workshop Programme

Towards effective national strategies and justice systems addressing violence against girls in the region

Date	Thursday, 18th November 2021	
Timing	15:00 - 16:30 Geneva	16:00-17:30 Cairo, Amman, Beirut
Organiser(s)	Naser Al Rayes- Legal Expert	
Institution	Arab Women’s Legal Network	
Type of Workshop	Panel discussion	
Topics	Discrimination due to sexual and gender identity. Children’s rights to have their voices heard in child justice systems.	
Region	MENA	
Language	Arabic	

Abstract

Violence against women and girls may be practised in many different forms, whether through physical, verbal or sexual. For instance, preventing or denying the exercise of the rights of women and girls in education, health or work; economic exploitation and forced labour and even trafficking in women and girls for economic, sexual or other forms of exploitation. The panel will highlight some Arab models in combating violence against women and children (according to the countries of the participants), and evaluate and discuss their positives and negatives.

Three key take-aways and one output of the session

- Clarify the concepts of the types of violence (physical, sexual) and enlighten participants about some practices that constitute covert violence.
- Sharing some national models for some Arab countries and evaluating them as a practical model.
- Identify local plans and strategies to eliminate violence against women and children, and show the failures of this experience and its achievements

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Output: Effective and productive discussion about the problems and obstacles to protecting women and children from violence in the Arab region

Objectives

- Develop possible and realistic solutions to contribute to strengthening the protection of women and children from violence
- Raise awareness of this group of their rights guaranteed in law
- Contribute to the development of an Arab model consistent with the principles and standards of international human rights law and international trends for activating and strengthening the fight against violence and protection of its victims.

Expected outcomes

- Provide recommendations and exchange ideas on strategies to support reintegration of children convicted of terrorism related offences in Iraq.
- Identify better ways to integrate services for children deprived of liberty and provide a comprehensive response to their needs during reintegration.

Speakers

- **Moderator**

- **Farah Selmi**

- Lawyer, expert in promoting equality and defending human rights. She holds a MA degree in public international law and human rights, has worked in a number of local, regional and international agencies and institutions to ensure implementation of SDGs as well as nationalizing international standards and references related to women, peace and security.

- **Panelists**

- 1. **Afaf Gatasha-abuhachhach**

- Director of the Union of Palestinian Women’s Committees.

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2. Nurhan Mustafa-nourhan

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