

Statement by NIHR on International Day of Older Persons

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The Kingdom of Bahrain joins the world in the global celebration of the International Day of Older Persons (IDOP) on October 1 every year, in honour of the lofty achievements made by the elderly and their effective role in society, and to enhance awareness among societies of the challenges facing older persons and the importance of uniting efforts to overcome them.

On the occasion of the International Day of Older Persons (IDOP), it is celebrated this year under the theme "Resilience and Contributions of Older Women", in order to support the important role played by older persons to overcome global challenges, and their contribution to solving them with flexibility and steadfastness.

On this occasion, the National Institution for Human Rights (NIHR) commends the care and attention given by the Kingdom of Bahrain in promoting the rights of older persons and consolidating their contributions to society, by providing various aspects of care and protection necessary for them and strengthening the connection between them and their families, in addition to providing specialised care homes in various social, health, psychological and living fields.

On this occasion, the NIHR states that it works with its broad mandate to follow-up and monitor the commitment to the international conventions and treaties ratified by the Kingdom of Bahrain, which are concerned with the promotion and protection of the rights of the older persons, calling for encouraging the older persons to show their contributions to society, stating the need to support strategies and opportunities aimed at promotion and protecting human rights, especially the rights of older persons, by recognizing their contribution and its impact on sustainable development.