

Statement by NIHR on International Day of Older Persons

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On the occasion of the International Day of Older Persons, the international community, including the Kingdom of Bahrain, celebrate this day on the first of October each year, which was approved by the UN General Assembly on December 14, 1990, since this group represents an essential segment of society and is given special importance by the international society.

On the International Day of Older Persons, the UN set the theme "Fulfilling the Promises of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights for Older Persons: Across Generations" for this year, to raise awareness of the problems facing the elderly, in appreciation of their achievements in all fields, and to emphasise the importance of activating the role of generations to achieve greater solidarity and community partnership for everyone without any discrimination.

On the occasion of the International Day of Older Persons, the NIHR pays tribute to the services and care provided by the Kingdom of Bahrain to the elderly by harnessing the energies and capabilities to serve them, as it enacted national legislation that represents the true guarantee of the rights of this category of society, and provided shelter and day care centres while providing support and assistance to them in all fields, especially with regard to enjoying the highest attainable level of health, involving them in all fields to continue giving and advancing the wheel of progress and prosperity for the nation.

On the occasion of the International Day of Older Persons, the NIHR confirms that it monitors the extent of compliance with international conventions and treaties ratified by the Kingdom of Bahrain in the field of promoting and protecting the rights of the elderly, and calls for enhancing the benefit of the expertise and capabilities possessed by this group, with the importance of their participation in daily activities to help them maintain their activity levels and independence as they age.