Palestinian Union Of Social Workers and Psychologists celebrates World Social Work Day In Palestine

The General Secretary of the Association of Palestinian Social and Psychological organized in the Hall of Martyr Lina Nablus in Nablus Governorate building in cooperation with the Ministry of Social Development, Al-Quds Open University, Gernata College in the Palestinian Galilee, Nablus Governorate, International Federation of Social Workers (IFSW), Under the theme of promoting society and environmental sustainability - dignity - justice - building - development, with the participation of dozens of relevant civil and official institutions and universities.

In his speech, Dr. Eyad Othman welcomed the attendance of the Palestinian Social and Psychological Professionals and the partner institutions represented by the Minister of Social Development, Dr. Ibrahim Al-Shaer, the Governor of Nablus, Major General Akram Al-Rajoub, Dr. Yousef Diab, the representative of Dr. Younis Omar, the President of Al-Quds Open University and Prof. Rory Truell, Secretary General of the International Federation of Social Workers (IFSW) Dr. Taha Amara, President of the Faculty of Gernata - Galilee and Ivar Kvadshim, Chairman of the Solidarity Council of the Norwegian Federation of Social Workers and educator (FO) and Ms. Alice Arsdeter Executive Director of (FO) and representatives of civil institutions and official and international branches secretaries. The union and administrative bodies and members of the General Conference of the union, explaining that this central ceremony, which is embraced by the mountains of Nablus is the first in Palestine and what distinguishes the international.

Othman expressed his thanks and appreciation to Professor Rory Troll, Secretary General of IFSW, for his efforts in supporting the social work process throughout the world and in Palestine as a professional reference for this important specialization and professional guidance and consultation in the drafting of Palestinian law.

At the end of his speech, Othman praised all the social workers in Palestine and the educational counselors at home in the Ministry of Education and UNRWA. He stressed the importance of the role of the guide in the school as a safety valve, stressing that the union will defend their rights and entitlements as a result of marginalization and ignoring their fair rights.

Governor of Nablus Governorate Mr. Akram Al-Rajoub welcomed the attendees and appreciated the efforts of the union and its role in all sections and the need of the Palestinian society to social workers and educational counselors in light of the political, social and economic conditions that are afflicting the Palestinian society as a result of the occupation and its racist practices, of the union and its efforts.

Minister of Social Development Ibrahim Al-Shaer explained that the ministry is working with all partners to move towards a purely local development, and work is continuing towards the development of the Community Responsibility Law to put all the resources and resources into one basket to meet the needs of the poor.
He added that the development and construction of a system of social services for the marginalized with special needs and battered women and children, in addition to fighting poverty through the empowerment of marginalized groups are the main axes of the new vision of the ministry aimed at sustainable development and free from occupation.

In his speech, Dr. Youssef Diab, the representative of Dr. Younis Omr, President of Al Quds Open University, addressed the strategic plan of the university and its role in the development of educational curricula, especially the social service department through a number of qualified professors and the development of a number of programs aimed at keeping up with students' During his speech, he thanked the union for this day and its efforts, stressing the University's support for the efforts of the union.

President of the Faculty of Gernata for Social Work Taha Amara pointed out the importance of this celebration, which brings together the Palestinian people one and dedicate to the concept of professional work diligent, thankful for this effort and generous gesture.

Secretary General for IFSW Dr. Rory Truell, delivered a speech on the outstanding achievement of the social workers in Palestine, stressing his support for the social workers in the circumstances surrounding them and the challenges they are able to overcome because they believe in this humanitarian work.

Mr. Ivar Kvadshim, Chairman of the Solidarity Council of the Norwegian Federation of Social Workers and educator (FO), referred to their support as social workers and as a union for their colleagues in Palestine who face all challenges in order to serve their cause and their people. Social service is a global profession that requires coordination and cooperation without borders.

In the second part of the celebration, Dr. Emad Ashtiyeh, Dean of the Faculty of Social and Family Development at Al-Quds Open University presented a paper entitled "The specialization of social service in Palestine: reality and challenges"

On the role of the Ministry of Social Development in Palestine, Mr. Anwar Hamam, Assistant Undersecretary for Directorates at the Ministry of Social Development presented a paper entitled "The Professional Status of the Social Service in Palestine:"

Raed Amira member of the Secretariat General pointed out In his working paper on the organization of professional work in Palestine, member of the Secretariat General pointed out the importance of the law and the relationship that will be organized by the field and institutional and to promote the values of social systems professional in the Palestinian society, referring to the efforts exerted by the union to end this file in 2017.

At the end of the ceremony, Eyad Othman, Raed Amira, Mahmoud Abu Zeid and Eyad Salim on behalf of the General Secretariat. The partner institutions represented by the Minister of Social Development, Dr. Ibrahim Al-Sha’er and the Governor of Nablus, Major General Akram Al-Rajoub and Dr. Rory Truell G.S IFSW, and Dr. Yousef Diab, representing Dr. Younis Omr, And Dr. Taha Amara, President of the Faculty of Gernata - Galilee and Ivar Kvadshim, Chairman of the Solidarity Council of the Norwegian Federation of Social Workers and educator (FO).