



PROFILE AND CURRICULUM VITAE OF NOMINEE

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IFSW Position to which you seek nomination

IFSW Regional Vice President for Africa

Candidate's Name and Country

Name : Ibrahim Ahmed Ezz El-Din Abdalla Khalafalla

Nationality: Egyptian



Social Work and Other Educational Qualifications (include institution and date)

- Bachelor's Degree of Social Work, High Institute of Social work, Cairo, Egypt – May 1992.
- Diploma of Social Work degree in the field of Youth Care – Faculty of Social Work – Cairo University – Alfayoum Branch, Egypt. May 1993.
- Master's Degree of Social Work with excellent grade. Master thesis entitled "**Study of methods of community organization in civilian youth housing institutions in Egypt**" Department of Social Work Methods, Faculty of Social Work - Cairo University – Alfayoum Branch, Egypt. January 2000.
- PhD degree of Social Work with First-Class Honour and with recommendation of publishing and exchange of the study on the expense of the Cairo University. Thesis entitled: "**Study of sustainable living methods in the community development for improving living level in slum areas in Egypt**" – Department of Social Work Methods - Faculty of Social Work - Cairo University – Alfayoum Branch, Egypt. July 2004
- University Administrator: at the High Institute of Social Work, 6 October University, Giza, Egypt at the period of 1994 to January 2000.

- Assistant Lecturer: at the High Institute of Social Work, 6 October University, Giza, Egypt at the period of February 2000 to July 2004.
- Lecturer of Community Organizing: at the High Institute of Social Work, 6 October University, Giza, Egypt at the period of August 2004 to July 2008.
- Associate Professor of Community Organization: at the High Institute of Social Work, 6 October University, Giza, Egypt 2009- 2014.
- Professor of Community Development and organization: at the High Institute of Social Work, 6 October University, Giza, Egypt 2015-current

Professional Affiliations

- 1- Member of the Board of Directors and General Secretary in Social Profession syndicate in 6th October governorate.
- 2- Member of the Board of Directors and General Secretary of the Social Solidarity Fund, Egypt.
- 3- Member and Coordinator of the Committee of Development National Social Work in General Syndicate of Social profession, Egypt.
- 4- General Coordinator of National Committee of Street Children in Egypt.
- 5- Establishing Member of the Arab League of Social Workers, North Africa Sector, Cairo, Egypt.
- 6- Member of General Syndicate for Social Work Professions.
- 7- Member of Social Specialists Association, Egypt.
- 8- Member in Red Crescent Association, Egypt that is equivalent to Red Cross..
- 9- Establishing Member of Board of Directors of Arab Association for Human Development and the Environment, North Africa Sector.
- 10- Member and Social Consultant in Stander Association for Individual, Family and Society, Egypt.
- 11- Member of International Egyptian Organization for Human Rights and Development, Egypt.
- 12- Member of Psychology Association, Cairo, Egypt.
- 13- Member of Khotwa Association for Addiction Combat Cairo, Egypt.
- 14- Member of Egyptian Association for Supporting Family Cairo, Egypt.
- 15- Member of Tourist Friends Association Cairo, Egypt.
- 16- Member of INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF SOCIAL WORK (IFSW).
- 17- Member INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOLS OF SOCIAL WORK (IASSW).

Professional International Leadership Experience over the past decade

- General Coordinator of the scientific co-operation between Trondheim University in Norway and the High Institution for Social Work 6th of October University Giza, Cairo.
- Scientific supervisor of the researches and the graduation projects of the students of the faculty of the social science in Trondheim University in Norway from 2004 till current.
- In charge of implementing the visits and the training programs for the students of Trondheim University in Egypt from 2004 till now.
- Scientific coordinator and responsible of communication with the African Universities in Egyptian institutions.
- Supervising the foreign relationships committee in the high institution of Social Work, Giza, Egypt.

National Association and Leadership Experience over the past decade

- **Head of Department of Community Organization at the High Institute of Social Work , 6 October University, Giza, Egypt 2009-till current**
- **Vice President of General Syndicate of Social Professions in Egypt.**
- **Vice President of the Egyptian Association of Social Workers.**
- **Editor-in-Chief of Social Work Scientific Journal – Established in 1960 in Egypt. Issued by the Social Workers Organization in Egypt.**
- **Editorial Member of the renowned International Social Work Journal, published by SAGE.**
- **Consultant for UNESCO's programs in Egypt (National Commission for UNESCO) for community development projects in the last 10 years.**
- **A visiting Professor at the Faculty of Social Sciences– Frankfurt University in Germany 2015.**
- **A visiting Lecturer at the Faculty of Social Sciences– Trondheim University in Norway 2004-2016.**
- **Secretary-General of the Egyptian International Organization for Human Rights and Development in Giza Governorate, Egypt.**
- **Secretary-General of Syndicate of Social Workers in 6th of October Governorate**

Community/Volunteer and Leadership Experience over the past decade

- Participating in implementation of toward a clean environment project in the region of El Assal and George Manor, Cairo, Egypt in collaboration with the Near East Organization and Arab Association for Human Development and the environment.
- Participating in networking configure project between national in the area of street children and child labor in Qaliubiya Governorate, Egypt in cooperation with Center of Non-Governmental Organizations Services and Arab Association for Human Development and the Environment.
- Supervising the project of support and construction of associational capacity for National Association in cooperation with Center of Non-governmental Organizations Services and Arab Association for Human Development and the environment.
- Participating in implementation of young people and their families about addiction in collaboration with combat and treatment addiction fund and Arab Association for Human Development and the environment.
- Participating in implementation of young people protect project from smoking and addiction for the student of Shubra educational administration in cooperation with the National Council for Motherhood and Childhood Arab Association for Human Development and the environment.
- Participating in implementation of micro projects to assists the people of the Al-Assal and George Manor region, Cairo, Egypt, Arab Association for Human Development and the environment.
- Participating in implementation of helping poor girls project to marry, "prides furnishing project" in collaboration with the National Party in Shubra, Arab Association for Human Development and the Environment.
- Supervising on in-kind assistance Commission which are distributed to needy families in Al-Assal and Georges Manor in Shoubra, Cairo, Egypt Arab Association for Human Development and the environment.
- Participating in initiative project of combat addiction for young people in collaboration with combat and treatment addiction fund and Arab Association for Human Development and the environment from 2006 to 2007.
- Participating in environmental awareness project or school students in cooperation with the Evangelical Coptic authority and Arab Association for Human Development and the environment in 2008.
- Participating in a medical treatment project for the unable in Shubra district, in collaboration with Prevention of Blindness Society and Arab Association for Human Development and the environment in 2007, 2008.
- Participating in a forestation project of Al- Asael and Georges Manor area in collaboration, Cairo, Egypt with the Middle East Organization and Arab Association for Human Development and the environment in 2003-2005.

Are you aware of the job description, role and responsibilities attached to the position you wish to have within the IFSW Executive?

YES:

If the answer is YES, please respond to the following questions:

a) What are the three most important responsibilities towards IFSW:

Response:

- Attends IFSW Executive Committee and General Meetings, to represent the region and to contribute to the accomplishment of the IFSW global Action Plan goals and to accept fiduciary responsibility for the operations of IFSW in accordance with governance principles.
- Communicates and works with the Member at Large for the Region on a regular basis and report to IFSW.
- In consultation with the IFSW President and/or Secretary General, acts as the IFSW spokesperson and representative in Regional events, activities and networks, and in dealing with regional institutions.

b) What are the three most important responsibilities towards your Region:

Response:

- Prepares a report on regional activities for the IFSW Executive and General Meetings.
- Leads the development of the Regional structure and operations, consistent with the IFSW Constitution and By Laws.
- Provides leadership to encourage and support communication, exchange, collaboration and meetings between member organizations in the region.

c) What are the three most important responsibilities towards your national association?

Response:

- Supports and monitors individual member country activities with respect to Establishment of practices which encourage/enable ethical social work behavior and Human rights activities;
- Promotion of excellence in social work education.
- Leads/facilitates regional planning and activities related to promotion of the profession.

Please demonstrate:

- **Commitment to the goals of IFSW as laid down in the Constitution**

I am committed and strong advocate for IFSW goals:

- To encourage co-operation between social workers of all countries;
- To provide means for discussion and the exchange of ideas and experience; through meetings, study visits, research projects, exchanges, publications and other methods of communication;
- To establish and maintain relationships with, and presents and promotes the views of social work organizations and their members to international bodies relevant to social development and welfare;
- To recognize that social work's common goals transcend borders and that a global voice benefits the profession, and most important, the people it serves;
- To organize and facilitate conferences; international symposia and biennial;
- To develop and publishes policy statements to guide social work practice worldwide;
- To advocate for the protection of human rights of practicing social workers;
- To provide consultation to the United Nations on issues of human development and human rights.

- Possession of language(s) capabilities (preferably bilingual)

Arabic	Fluent
English	Fluent.
Spanish	Fair.
German	Fair.
French	Fair.

- **Identification with the region you represent, mainly by residence, work experiences, and knowledge of the main language(s) spoken in the region**

Africa is an ancient continent that entail many ethnicities, cultures, spoken languages and diversities. Therefore, there are many challenges for the social work practice in Africa. There are huge differences in language and culture for the north of Africa and western, central, eastern and south parts of Africa.

The challenges are recognized by poor income, lack of facilities and office accommodation per capita, poor infrastructure and lack of modern communications and difficulty of transport especially in remote areas. Furthermore, the prevalence of some communicable diseases in certain African countries such as HIV has imperative social aspects. In this context the social work atmosphere is extremely difficult for social educators and workers and hence affecting the social service provided to many Africans.

Despite of these challenges, many NGEOS with limited resources are trying to help to fill the gap and provide social support in sometimes absence of the role of government. For example, the difficult work atmosphere in sub-Saharan Africa and other remote areas.

I hope to work with and through IFSW to ensure the goals of IFSW are implemented in our precious continent Africa.

- **Practical wisdom and objective interest in international affairs**

Although the social work practice has no political agenda and offers equality and improvement of social aspects to everyone, unfortunately, it can be affected in Africa by different governmental polices and political agenda especially lack of transparency, corruption and inequality.

I have here to emphasis that the success of social work profession in Africa depend on sincerity of our genuinely Nobel message to provide and support best possible social service to all nations and inhabitants of Africa ensuring social justice no matter of color, religion, race, gender, age, or ethnicity of people.

It is of paramount importance to recognize the social worker and social work educator role in Africa in order to provide successful service.

In summary the socioeconomic situation and complex social problems in Africa presents a major challenge for the social work organizations and at the same time for social work education and practice. Therefore, it is worthwhile to establish a network for support of social work profession and sustainable development in Africa in particular in affiliation with IFSW.

- **Willingness and capacity to devote time to assume work responsibilities in the Executive or Regional Committee**

I am a dedicated hard worker who is voluntarily devoted many efforts in improving social work profession and education not only in Egypt but also in Africa, Arab countries in North Africa and Middle East.

I am willing to consolidate my experiences and bridging the knowledge of social work challenges in Egypt, Arab world and Africa to benefit all African.

I have the acumen through my extensive national and international work experience to employ best evidence-based academic experience of social work practice and social work education in Africa.

- **Ability, in so far as possible, to attend Executive or Regional Committee meetings**

I will make all efforts to attend regional meetings in Africa in order to provide leadership and encouragement as well as to support communication, exchange, collaboration and meetings between member organizations in Africa.

- **Participation, so far as possible, as delegate of the General Meeting or attendance at IFSW Conferences**

I will do my best efforts to attend General Meeting and attendance at the IFSW Conferences

Signature and Date

Ibrahim Khalafalla 06.09.2016

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