

## **Statement by NIHR on the World Day Against Trafficking in Persons**

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On July 30 each year, the international community, including the Kingdom of Bahrain, celebrates the World Day against Trafficking in Persons, in order to raise awareness of the suffering of victims of trafficking and to promote and protect their rights. The occasion is celebrated this year under the theme “**Committed to the Cause – Working on the Frontlines to End Human Trafficking**”, which concentrates on the specialists on call for human trafficking.

On the occasion of the World Day Against Trafficking in Persons, the National Institution for Human Rights (NIHR) highly appreciates the Kingdom of Bahrain’s obtaining the first rank in the classification of the most advanced countries in combating trafficking in persons in the report of the US State Department for the third year in a row.

On this occasion, the NIHR calls on the world to adopt best practices to combat the phenomenon of trafficking in persons, through a well-established legal and institutional structure that ensures the application and enforcement of law to protect the victim and punish the perpetrator.

On this occasion, the NIHR states that it constantly works to achieve its role in everything that would contribute to combating trafficking in persons, based upon its competencies contained in its Establishment Law, which aim at promoting and protecting human rights in the Kingdom of Bahrain.