

## **Statement by NIHR on the Arab Day for Human Rights**

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The Arab Human Rights Committee (the Charter Committee) of the League of Arab States celebrates the Arab Day of Human Rights on the March 16 each year, the anniversary of the entry into force of the Arab Charter on Human Rights in 2008.

On the occasion of the Arab Day for Human Rights, the NIHR believes that it is an opportunity to highlight the achievements of Arab countries in the human rights field, and to emphasise the importance of reviewing legislation, policies and practices to ensure the achievements of the interest of the Arab citizens by promoting and protecting their rights and removing all obstacles to exercise them on the ground.

On this occasion, the NIHR seizes this opportunity to express its great appreciation for the advanced position of the Kingdom of Bahrain in the area of human rights in general, and the right to health in particular, by providing various qualified medical staff and equipment as well as appropriate medication and treatment for everyone.

On this occasion, the NIHR states the importance of focusing on everyone's enjoyment of their rights, on both Arab and international levels, especially the right to health, which is one of the most essential human rights that all international conventions have been keen to give great attention, due to its close relation to human life and daily activities, and calls on all relevant parties to consolidate efforts with all partners and stakeholders on local and regional levels in order to promote and protect human rights in the Kingdom of Bahrain and the Arab world, through cooperation and joint action, in order to bring about a better practice of human rights to achieve Sustainable Development Goals.