

The Declaration of the 1st TIEMS international workshop on Updates in Disaster and Emergency Management in Suleimaniyah Iraq 26th - 27th October 2011

The Declaration

- 1. The Iraqi Ministry Of Health [MOH] supports the organizing and hosting of the TIEMS 20th conference in 2013 in Iraq.
- 2. That there should be Continuing Emphasis and coordination on the role of national and International NGOs and UN agencies working in Iraq addressing training of EMS [Emergency Management Services] first responders.
- 3. That there should be continued support for Capacity building of EMS, doctors, paramedics and nurses.
- 4. That there should be continued support and collaboration in providing EMS organizations, doctors, paramedics and nurses with state of art technology and resources for front line response
- 5. There should be encouragement for the procurement and importing of equipped ambulances with adequate equipment including ventilators & specific stretchers according to different geographical areas and trained paramedics needs.
- 6. To encourage the higher education medical students to prepare research and analysis about prehospital emergency medical services.
- 7. To encourage coordination & collaboration between MOH, MOI, MOD, & other bodies to share their information relating to disaster & emergency management.
- 8. To gain benefit of NGO's experience & capacity for developing rehabilitation training and education strategies for emergencies proposed by MOSS of the MOH.
- 9. Enhance effective early warnings by the implementation and the development of comprehensive and efficient communication systems.
- 10. To develop Media assistance to educate communities about disaster risk reduction skills
- 11. To raise the importance for psychological support for disaster victims and front line responders.
- 12. To encourage permissions and acceptance to train and allow paramedics in using drugs and life support intervention (intubation & chest tube) in pre-hospital EM services.
- 13. To promote and advocate for the Planning and construction of trauma centers within each governorate in Iraq.

| 14. To emphasize and promote the standards that all medical students should learn ATLS, ACLS, ALS & BLS before graduating and prior to work placements. |
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| 15. To encourage the participation of Iraqi Medics & non medical Emergency Management within the TIEMS network. |
| 16. That there should be invitation and encouragement for participation and deliberate dialogue with all Government Departments and Local Administrations to be inclusive within strategic planning and formation of Policy |

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Upon the successful conclusion of the $\mathbf{1}^{\text{st}}$ international workshop on Updates in Disaster and Emergency Management in Suleimaniyah, it is proposed to continue the enthusiasm and momentum of interest and support by holding an internal follow up meeting within two months to commence and initiate the instigation of this declaration.