

INTRODUCTION

Our initiative aims to form a group of Iraqi-Americans, dedicated to strengthen civic and democratic infrastructure in Iraq. The initiative consists of creating a database of Iraqi-Americans professionals, like-minded Americans and Iraqi organizations vested in this effort; and using the database, and working with research centers and other democratic organizations in Iraq, to achieve the initiative's vision.

OUR VISION

Our Vision is to **“Build the capacity of Iraqi civil society by facilitating exchanges between Iraqi-American professionals and Iraqi non-governmental organizations and individuals.”**

OUR MISSION

Support and strengthen Iraqi civil society organizations and individuals through:

- * ***Establishing a community of dedicated and skilled Iraqi-American professionals, using networking and social media***
- * ***Identifying and reaching out to relevant Iraqi NGOs and entrepreneurs***
- * ***Establishing a directory of resources available to support the Iraqi community in the U.S.***

These goals consist of holding educational seminars, outreach endeavors, identification of Iraqi-American talent in the US, in different spheres of endeavor, and building stronger ties between Iraqi centers and American institutions.

The initiative aims at extending the strategic cooperation between the United States and Iraq, which will serve the interests of Iraqis inside Iraq and in the USA. The main goals are:

- Knowledge exchange and transfer between Iraqi people inside Iraq and in the United States.
- Bringing knowledge, skills and abilities (KSAs) to Iraq, in the different areas of focus (health, education, youth, entrepreneurship and civil society).
- Providing a platform for building and strengthening an understanding between the US and Iraq
- Providing a mechanism of the mutual transfer of important entrepreneurial skills between Iraqis inside Iraq and those in the US.

Professionals for Better Iraq is a professionals networking organization of non-political, non-governmental affiliations.



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- Are you willing to participate in the organizations activities? Yes No
- Are you a subject matter expert? In what area of speciality?

FIELD	AREA(S) OF SPECIALITY
<input type="checkbox"/> Health/Medical	
<input type="checkbox"/> Engineering	
<input type="checkbox"/> Civil Society	
<input type="checkbox"/> Education	
<input type="checkbox"/> Entrepreneurship/Management	
<input type="checkbox"/> Social Media	
<input type="checkbox"/> Environment	
<input type="checkbox"/> IT and Communications	
<input type="checkbox"/> Others	

- Are you willing to be part of the volunteer base for PBI?

CAPACITY	EXAMPLES
<input type="checkbox"/> Remote assistance	Online translation of documents, review of medical reports for persons in need...
<input type="checkbox"/> Needs analysis	Identify needs or point to a certain vulnerable group/individual that needs help...
<input type="checkbox"/> Onsite assistance (USA)	Interpretation for hospital visits, court hearings....etc.
<input type="checkbox"/> Field assistance (Iraq)	Providing onsite training for medical first responders in the IDP camps.
<input type="checkbox"/> Network building	Identify responsible individuals/organizations that can help the program
<input type="checkbox"/> Training	Provide training on project management or business start-ups for Iraqis in the USA or abroad.
<input type="checkbox"/> Project creation	Provide new ideas/project to help target groups enhance their way of living
<input type="checkbox"/> Other capacity	

- Ready to be part of the network? Yes No

FULL NAME	PREFERRED COMMUNICATION *		STATE/COUNTRY
	Email <input type="checkbox"/>	Phone <input type="checkbox"/>	

- Would you like to receive email updates on the activities of PBI? Yes No

Completed registration forms can be emailed to: ehab.amen@pbnet.org

***Your contact information will not be distributed and will remain confidential; any disclosure of information will need your prior written consent.**