

# IMET2000-Pal Newsletter

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## **Our CEO holds several key meetings and deliver a continuing medical education session during his visit to Palestine**



During his visits to Palestine, Dr Malik Zaben our CEO has had several strategic meetings with key figures in the government and other NGOs.

Dr Zaben met the Prime Minister Dr Mohammed Shataya; Dr Zaben in this meeting talked about his experience in the UK whilst training up as an academic neurosurgeon but more importantly on the foundation of the IMET2000 to serve the Palestinian cause, and the many projects been conducted in support of the Palestinian health sector. The two sides have agreed on developing a strategy through which more Palestinian talent can be recruited to further help our Palestinian people. Dr Zaben then gave a talk at the Palestinian Research Council in the presence of H.E. Prof Abu Mowis, the Minister of Higher Education and Research, outlining our vision in supporting health research initiatives in Palestine. In his talk Dr Zaben proposed based on his UK experience a strategy leading to the establishment of a National Research Hub. The proposal was welcomed by the Council and follow-on meeting are underway. The current IMET2000 research Club with nearly 5000 members is seen as a model that can be developed and rolled over to other subspecialties. In Addition, Dr Zaben met with H.E. Dr Awartani, the Minister of Education and President of Palestine Academy for Science and Technology; different lines of future potential collaborators have been discussed and both sides have agreed to continue those fruitful discussions hopefully leading to a memorandum of understanding through which both sides can mutually work.

Dr Zaben has also led a meeting between IMET2000-Pal team and MAP in the presidency of their project director in Palestine. This meeting comes as a strategic step towards strengthening the ties between the two organisations. The two parties have agreed on the formulation of working groups leading to a MoU which will be utilised to avoid replication of projects and maximising impact on the grounds. Alongside these meetings, Dr Zaben delivered a lecture on “How to manage a pregnant woman with brain pathology”. This lecture was organised by the O&G society of the Palestinian Medical association and comes as part of a series of lectures to implement continuing medical education in Palestine. Attended by nearly 50 specialists including H.E Dr Mai Kailah the Minister of Health, Dr Wael Ashaikh the Deputy Minister and Dr Said Sarahni the president of the Society among other key figures in the field.

## IMET2000 organised the fifth ATLS training course



We have organised our 5th ATLS training course in Ramallah. This was delivered by our Palestinian ATLS instructors. The course was opened by our ATLS director Dr Jubran and Coordinator Mr Fadi Zaben and we are glad to have been joined by new instructors Dr Sameh Al Natsha and Dr Mohammad Ali Al Mohtasib (we have sponsored them to complete their ATLS training in Jordan to become ATLS instructors). In this course, 15 doctors from the West-Bank and Gaza were trained as per the ATLS curriculum. This course is well-recognised for training healthcare staff to coordinate and manage trauma cases effectively. Dr Malik Zaben (IMET2000 CEO) said “We aim to continue working with other Palestinian stakeholders to deliver more ATLS courses until we get as many surgeons as possible trained in this vital field. We are looking to expand this course to involve ATLS for nurses and medical students and hopefully to other areas in Palestine.



## IMET2000 Health Research Club Organized a Face to Face Hands-on Training

IMET2000 organised research program step 2 - hands on training face to face at IMET2000-Pal training centre - Ramallah.

IMET 2000 hosted a new hands-on session to discuss the projects of participants and guide them to improve their research and audit projects in order to publish them, this course was led by our CEO, Dr Malik Zaben. Five research projects were presented by participants, followed by discussion for each one, the projects were presented by physicians, nutritionist, nurses and PhD students. This activity comes under the umbrella of our IMET2000 Health Research Club.



## IMET2000 supports children with special needs from Riyadh Autism Center

IMET2000 supports another centre this year in looking after kids with learning disabilities and mental disorders. Riyadh Autism Center is a charity that provides rehabilitation services for children with disabilities in Salfit and nearby villages within Ramallah district. Their services include detection of disabilities, physical therapy, occupational therapy and speech therapy, all of which are essential for the integration of this disadvantaged group of children into society. IMET2000 is very keen to support the efforts of Riyadh Autism Center to deliver its current objectives and become a sustainable service. We are looking forward to working with more charities in this field to support as many kids with physical and mental disability as we particularly those who come from a disadvantaged background. Representative of IMET2000-Pal Mr Fadi Zaben and the Chairman of Riyadh Autism Center Mr Maa'roof Al Deek signed up a new Memorandum of Understanding to cover the treatment expenses of a number of Palestinian children with mental and learning disabilities for this year.



## IMET2000 organised two Basic Life Support training workshops this June

IMET2000-Pal in cooperation with American Arab University organised two:

### **Critical Core Training: Basic Life Support (BLS) trainings for Physicians and Nurses**

from different governmental and private hospitals at IMET Training Centre-Ramallah. The workshops was attended by 17 doctors and nurses. These trainings prompts physicians and nurses to recognize several life-threatening emergencies, give high-quality chest compressions, deliver appropriate ventilations and provide early use of an AED according to American Heart Association Guidelines. It was led by Mr Fayez Ghannam (American Heart Association “AHA”) Instructor.



BLS 12th June, 2022



BLS 28th June, 2022



## IMET2000 sponsored Miss Najla Abusahlia in a travel bursary to attend an international conference

In line with our programmes of supporting healthcare professionals in Research, we have sponsored miss Najla Abusahlia a nurse from Nablus to attend the international conference (COVID-19 in the MENA Region: Lessons Learned in Research, Policy, Public Health and Clinical Global Health Research) in Turkey to present an article titled (Early Prone Position for Non-Intubated COVID-19 Patients with Sever Hypoxia)

### This is what Miss Najla had to Say:

"Thank you **IMET2000** for promoting and supporting me to attend this conference. The conference offered a vibrant scientific program that addressed the impact of COVID-19 on health and wellbeing globally and in the MENA region, Gaziantep. I am confident that this conference has provided me with a platform to engage and exchange lessons learned experiences in global public health, research capacity-building, and enhanced partnerships for more effective collaborative interventions."



Miss Najla Abusahlia