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Since Ms. Amal A. Al-Mannai is a social activist who currently holds the position of Chief Executive Officer of the Qatar Foundation for Social Work (QFSW), a private organization established under the patronage of Her Highness Sheikha Mozah Bint Nasser, which includes 7 institutions specialized in attaining different needs of different social groups. These institutions are: Family Consulting Center, Shafallah Center for Children with Special Needs, Social Development Center, Qatar Foundation for Elderly People Care, Best Buddies, Qatar Orphan Foundation (Dhreima), and Qatar Foundation for Social Protection and Rehabilitation. In addition, she is the former Executive Director of the Social Development Center, a non-profit organization, whose mission is to support, develop, and invest in Qatar's human resources through programs and services that help individuals and families be self-reliant.

Ms. Al-Mannai is a community development activist as well as a human rights advocate. Along to her duties, she holds the following positions as well:

1. Member of the National Human Rights Committee representing the civil society in the State of Qatar.
2. Vice Chairperson of Qatar Incubator for small and medium projects.
3. Vice Chairperson of Fund for small and medium enterprises (AFIF).
4. Active member in the steering committee derived from the Pearl GTL Sustainable Development Advisory Committee of Qatar Shell.
5. Vice Chairperson of Qatar Nanny Training Academy.
6. Board member of Qatar University Alumni Association.

Her vast experience and contribution to the civil society as well as her advocacy role in women and children rights, introduces Ms. Al-Mannai as a key reference and a consultant in social and sustainable community development domain at the national level for governmental, non-governmental and private sector entities as well as at the international level.

Ms. Al-Mannai received the Lifetime Achievement Award for the year 2013, granted by Arab Woman Awards Qatar, for her incredible contributions to the social sustainable development.

In 2011, she has been honored as one of the Civil Society Leaders at the GCC level during the third annual ceremony of Civil Society Leaders "Tawasul" that was held in Muscat, Oman. Al-Mannai is the first Qatari woman to get this award, which is considered to be one of the most prestigious awards in the GCC region.

Last but not least, Ms. Al Mannai has been recently honored at the Emiri Diwan for her vast contribution at the common areas of youth work, where she received the Medal of Excellence of the Secretariat of the Gulf Cooperation Council for the Leadership Category.

Al-Mannai holds an MBA degree from Suliman S. Olayan School of Business at the American University of Beirut (AUB). She also holds an MSc in Public Policy and Management from London University and a BSc in Economics from the University of Qatar.