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Q1 Name of the organization:

Solidarity Is Global Institute /Jordan (SIGI-Jo)

Q2 The purpose of the organization:

Founded in 1998, the Amman-based Solidarity Is Global Institute-Jordan (SIGI-Jo) works to promote women's advancement through a range of education and advocacy programs. SIGI-Jo has a specialized full time team of 32 employees. SIGI-Jo carries out its work in collaboration with local and regional scholars, human rights and women's rights activists, journalists, lawyers, jurists, and representatives of governmental and non-governmental organizations. Since establishment, SIGI-Jo has promoted women's human rights, education, youth education, women's political participation, and the elimination of gender-based violence, among many other issues. Participants in SIGI-Jo's programs include grassroots women, youth, activists, women political candidates, legislators and government officials, older people, Dom minority, and local community-based organizations. SIGI-Jo works primarily in Arabic, but also in English.

The main goal of SIGI-Jo is to increase the society attitudes and practices to mainstreaming women issues within the entire society plans, programs, strategies and reform processes. SIGI-JO advocates for respecting women rights to consolidate their role as key contributors in social development, reforming policies and strategies, and security for the family or any other spheres. Through building capacity, civil society engagement, advocacy, direct social & psychological & legal Aid services.

Our Focus Areas:

Ending violence and discrimination against women.

Eliminating Legal illiteracy.

Youth leadership and activism.

Women's political participation.

Direct social, psychological and legal services for women.

Inclusion of vulnerable groups such as older people, adolescents, disabled and Dom/ gypsy minorities.

Engaging men and boys in the awareness raising to become advocates for community change.

Advocating for change in discriminating policies and legislation.

Changing discriminatory acts, narrative and mindset.

Q3 Information as to the programmes and activities of the organization in areas relevant to the human rights of older persons:

SIGI is an organization concentrating on human rights in general and women's rights in particular, we are advocating against all types of discrimination and abuse. Older people and older women in particular are a vulnerable group that is very much discriminated against in Jordan, due to lack of supporting laws of their rights and lack of social protection, as well as lack of interest on all levels, health, entertainment, mental well-being, violence, abuse, etc. hence, as human rights defenders this group of the society need to be addressed according to their needs. We think they should be involved in the studies and strategies done to provide them with adequate services and rights. We also believe in the utilizing of those people's abilities, skills, professionalism to benefit their communities, and engaging them to become supporters of the community and not be thought of as burdens to the community. All Humans' rights are one, they cannot be divided or categorized, and hence, we will continue supporting older people's rights all the time. We also believe that this is a national important issue, therefore we need to advocate on the national level and involve grassroots communities in all govern orates.

- SIGI- Jo founded and launched the Jordanian coalition for older people's rights. Since 2017, which is a coalition of older people, CBOs, activists, older people care centers, officials, etc. those are 36 organizations and entities from around Jordan.
- SIGI- Jo has an annual program for older people since 2017 and every year we engage them in our activities (awareness raising and training on rights, legal rights, social protection rights).
- SIGI- Jo also holds a seminar with officials, older people, care centers representatives, etc. where we conduct an updated presentation on the older people situation in Jordan on several levels, and then open discussions with all relevant stakeholders on pressing and important issues related to older people. Listing to them and opening important discussions on problems, challenges and violations reaching relevant recommendations to be forwarded to the media as well as officials.
- SIGI- Jo held several activities under the patronage and the participation of the minister of social development where we helped raise the voices of older people, to the ministry and open direct discussions, as well as focusing and putting the issue of older people under the spot with the media's focus on this important subject, while even starting some articles on the older people's issues.
- SIGI- Jo held several discussions with the social security manager to discuss older people's rights and inclusion, especially the inequalities faced by women. this lead to many changes on important articles of the social security law related to women.
- SIGI- Jo issued several press releases on older people and focused on publishing those in many media and social media platforms around Jordan , to open discussions on this important issue. And we also published these on our face book page which has over 26000 active followers.
- SIGI- Jo participated in many discussions with officials on the older people's strategy, to come up with an inclusive strong strategy.
- Our Effat center for providing social& psychological & legal counseling and legal representation has helped many older women, either by providing free counseling and follow up or by providing legal representation for free in courts (this includes refugee women and women from host communities).

Q4 Confirmation of the activities of the organization at the national, regional or international level:

SIGI-JO Programs:

I- Building Capacity

- Conducted specialized trainings on topics related to political participation "leading to choices and leadership". The training content has designed by our strategic partner Women Learning Partnership Organization (WLP) and it has adopted according to the national context of each partner country. SIGI-JO has reached grassroots women as individuals and organizations to empower them to become more effective advocates for the issues and priorities.
- Held weekly basis gathering "Cultural Monthly Seminar", it aims to engage women leaders and other community leader members into open debate to discuss political or social, medical topics and its relation to women movement. This weekly gathering is used to remark innovative ideas and efforts related to women status on national level like honoring successful stories in economic and political spheres.
- Conducted legal literacy workshops and sessions targeted women in local communities to educate them about their rights within international and national legislations and introduce them to national documents like; women national strategy, and national campaigns

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related to key women issues: nationality, personal status law, honor crimes -Panel Code provisions especially art. 308 which stated to the raper to marry the victim raped girl.

II- Civil Society Engagement

- SIGI-JO has involved in establishing the National Coalition of Civil Society on Development Agenda post 2015, the national coalition succeeded to conduct consultation sessions all around the Kingdom during the year 2013 to collect civil society organizations and individuals feedback on MDGs and drafting a statement reflecting Jordanian as civil society priorities post 2015 to be included a national document describing Jordan priorities.
- Creating and managing several committees representing several specialties in media, youth, human rights, transitional justice and solidarity committee like: Coalition for International Criminal Court (CICC), Human Rights Trainers Committee, Regional Forum for Women Rights in Transitional Justice. Those are composed from experts, activists and civil society organizations and others. The key mandate of those committees is to ensure reflecting women rights and SIGI-JO position regarding national, regional, or international issues.
- Managing a group of field volunteer coordinators acting as SIGI-JO liaison officers in Jordan governorates, their role is to ensure engaging women who are living in local communities and rural areas in SIGI-JO awareness and educational activities.

III- Advocacy:

- SIGI-Jo has issued more than 600 daily press releases published through visual and electronic media tools, most of published releases analyzed international or national reports and documents in purpose to interrelate the facts and figures to women rights status. Means it is a tool of advocacy spot the light on how are policies, programs in national and international are emerging or ignoring women rights.
- Managed a library existed inside SIGI-JO contains all resources, references and studies and researches related to women. This is a source for students, activists and researchers who are interested to analyzed women issues on national, regional or internationally.
- Managed a regional forum to protect women rights in transitional countries representing seven regional countries, it aims to document the violation actions that occurred among region countries and implement regional campaigns that address regional women concerns like protecting leaders and activists women rights especially after Arab Spring revolutions which harms women rights and historical gains.

IV Direct social and legal Aid services

- SIGI-JO provides legal and social services to women, girls, and children who are victims of violence and discrimination. The services begin from listening service, problem analysis, mediation service with the victim family to determine the best solutions and alternatives.
- SIGI-JO provided legal representation service within the judge system. SIGI-JO is working in all governorates in Jordan to reach women in rural areas or those who cannot access the service.
- SIGI-JO reached honor crimes women/girls victims who detained in prison or other women under administration detention for many years, SIGI-JO aims to provide psychological support and seek for solutions with their families and partners in order from them to be released from prison.

Q5 A list of members of the governing body of the organization and their countries of nationality:

Members of the governing body:

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| - Enam - Asha | President | Jordanian |
| - Sawsan Ishaq | Treasurer | Jordanian |
| - Kaltham Imraish | Secretary | Jordanian |
| - Dr. Abeer Dababneh | Member | Jordanian |
| - Dr. Isra Tawalbeh | Vice- President | Jordanian |

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Q6 List of financial sources and contributions, including governmental contributions:

WLP(women leaning partnership)- USA,
SURGIR Foundation- Switzerland,
OXFAM ,
Kvinna till Kvinna - Sweden ,
HAIVOS- Netherlands ,
Swiss Development Agency - SDC,
Canadian embassy in Jordan,
USAID ,
FHI360,
JCAP- USAID,
UNDEF,
Global Affairs Canada,
UNRWA,
European Commission,
Spanish Agency for International Development Cooperation (AECID),
Vital Voices- USA,
Canada fund for Local Initiatives (CFLI),
Karama Network,
Kirkayak Kültür,
Community Media Network - Radio Al Balad- Jordan,
Ministry Of social development - Jordan,
National Center for Human rights- Jordan,
The Jordanian Hashemite fund for Human development- Jordan,
etc.

Q7 Copies of the annual or other reports of the organization with financial statements (File size limit is 16MB):

2015 Audit Report.pdf (211.8KB)

Q8 Please attach additional copies if needed (File size limit is 16MB):

2016 Audit Report.pdf (346.5KB)

Q9 Please attach additional copies if needed (File size limit is 16MB):

Audit report 2017.pdf (492.5KB)

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Q10 A description of the membership of the organization, indicating the total number of members, the names of organizations that are members and their geographical distribution:

SIGI- Jordan has a governing body, and general assembly, as detailed per the attached by laws. means of voting, number of years of membership, plus other details.

Also SIGI is part of many coalitions that help us implement on the regional level, and also exchange knowledge, skills and tools between parties:

On the national level:

- Najat coalition to demand the abolition of the Article 308 of the Penal Code (abolished in November 2017).
- Aain coalition for election monitoring from a gender perspective.
- Njoud coalition to combat early marriage.
- Jordanian Civil Alliance for Sustainable Development.
- Amneh democratic forum for women in transitional societies.
- Shamaa Network combating Violence against Women.
- Solidarity Support Network for Women Victims of Human Rights Violations.
- Jordanian Coalition to Support the International Criminal Court.
- Coordinating Committee of NGOs in Jordan.
- Men and women's network for women's rights and against violence against women.
- National Training Team on Women's Rights.

On the regional & international level:

- Salma Regional Network combating Violence against Women (Regional).
- Women Learning Partnership- WLP (International).
- World Alliance for Citizen Participation CIVICUS (International).
- Euro Med Rights – Human Rights in the Euro-Mediterranean region.

Q11 A copy of the constitution and/or by-laws of the organization (File size limit is 16MB):

By Laws 2015- English.docx (35.1KB)

Q12 Please attach additional copies if needed (File size limit is 16MB):

Members of the General Assembly-SIGI.docx (45.8KB)

Q13 Please attach additional copies if needed (File size limit is 16MB):

SIGI- Organigram.docx (110.5KB)

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