Women in The Arab Family
Time for Change?!
Four Recommendations

- Evidence is important
- Policy is flexible and responsive
- Equality within marriage will support the family
- Strengthen the ability of families to provide social protection
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**Recommendation 1**

Social changes require policy responses and a good knowledge infrastructure
Recommendation 2

- The state and its institutions play an instrumental role in shaping families and determining the well-being of individual members through incentives, regulation and rules

- Access to finance
- Guardianship
- Work opportunities
- Social pensions
- Subsidies and transfers
- Housing policy
- Citizenship rights
Recommendation 3

- MUSAWAH!
- Because the characteristics of couples have changed, the marital relationship has also changed. Divorce rates can be a result of sclerotic approaches to the patriarchal bargain
- Qawamah
- Wilayah
- Reform within a religious framework
Recommendation 4

Social Protection