

PARENTING STYLES AFFECT CHILD'S ACADEMIC PROGRESS, SAYS DIFI RESEARCH

DIFI research highlights role of family in education at Morocco conference

Doha, Qatar, December 12, 2019: Doha International Family Institute has highlighted the effects different parenting styles have on the academic achievements of children at the Third International Conference on Family, Schooling and Education in the Arab World: Horizons within the MDG 2030 Agenda.

The conference was organized by the University of Abu Shoaib Doukkali in Morocco, and aimed to provide an in-depth look into the role a family plays in the education of their child.

Doha International Family Institute (DIFI) – a member of Qatar Foundation – was represented by Dr. Azza Abdelmoneium, Director of Research. “The family face many challenges in education due to globalization and social media, which influences the education of our children,” said Dr. Abdelmoneium said.

“The findings of our research highlight that the family has an important role to play in education – attributed to parenting styles – that leave an impact on the child’s academic achievements. The family is responsible for the child’s education, and must ensure the best education for their children.”

The symposium discussed several themes such as evaluating and developing national policies and strategies related to the family and education, and developing them in the light of the 2030 development goals.

Other topics included highlighting the experiences of Arab countries in the field of family and education promotion; Arab and international agreements on the family and education, and their compatibility with the 2030 development goals; and education and the media in strengthening the roles played by the family in relation to education.

Dr. Sharifa Noaman Al Emadi, Executive Director of DIFI, in the opening remarks of the conference, said: “We’re delighted to be part of this forum. At DIFI, we believe that sustainable development begins with family. It is our top priority, and we consider it the corner stone of education, health, and equality. It is an integral unit of the society, and is essential in the development of strategies and policies on a national and regional level.”

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