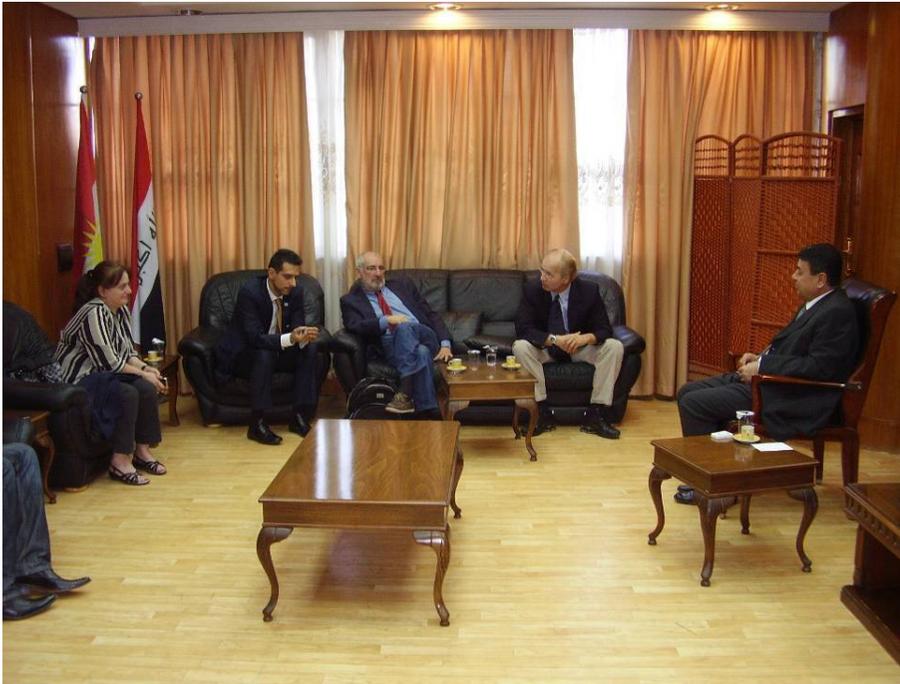


Project Activities in Missions:

The First Mission: 14-28 November, 2008

Italian Medical Team has arrived and started their activities at once, at the same time they met with Dr. Abdulrahman Younis KRG Minister of Health, Duhok Governor Mr. Tamar Ramadhan and Dr. Abdullah Saeed DG of Health in Duhok Governorate besides local doctors. All the governmental officials had expressed their gratitude for the valuable efforts paid by all side to help patient children and expressed readiness to offer assistance where needed.



Minister of Health Dr. Abdulrahman Younis



Governor of Duhok & Director of General Health

The table below contains names and professions of the Italian organizational and administration team:

Nr.	Name	Profession & Institution	Gender
1	Iliia Gardi	Med child Health Director	M
2	Enrico Musso	Med child Project Manager MC	M
3	Alberto Saracco	Health management San Raffaele Hospital	M
4	Iole Pinto	President – Solidarity Initiatives	F
5	Sardar Ali Aziz	Secretary of the Kurdish-Italian Cultural Association	M
6	Isabella Mandelli	Cardiopathic Association	F
7	Marco Di Terlizzi	President Cardiopathic Association	M

The team visits the Ministry of Health on 17th of November to meet Dr.Abdulrahman Younis, in the meeting both sides agreed on the necessity of having a pediatric Cardiac Center in each governorate in Kurdistan and they ensured the importance to continue cooperation in this issue.

The next meeting was with the Governor of Duhok Mr. Tamar Ramadhan Kochar and Director General of Health Dr. Abdulla Saeed on 18th November; all the Italian teams were present, Dr. Abdulla Saeed assured the important role of these visits, for its big role in developing the knowledge and experience of the local staff.

The Italian side expressed their readiness to offer a full support to Kurdistan, in addition coming to Kurdistan as frequently as possible and both sides praised Heevie to be the organization that made this successful cooperation. The meeting was held to discuss a very primarily planned scheme for a project called Health Care City Project which was under supervision of DOH of Duhok.

Dr.Gardi elaborated in explaining his presentation commenced to talk about the recent changes and achievements occurred in Kurdistan and its government that will create and strengthen international relationships, especially in this field.

The presentation included important points about decision making processes as a successful first steps for such a plan by calculating necessary statistics on pathologies and to define healthcare according to demographical and geographical distribution.He also ensured the priority setting through defining programs of healthcare services offer and networks, also to allocate skills and resources to implement a plan.

Dr.Gardi showed then an important statistics about the demographical growth until 2020 focusing on Middle East area; the statistic showed the numbers of beds rates relatively to the population growth. He continued after that to offer proposals which are guideline in enhancing the existing primary healthcare and through reorganizing the present and new structures in healthcare.



Dr.Abdulla Saeed and Dr. Ilja Gardi

The proposals included investment in human resources: teaching and training. The doctor also showed a paradigm's evolution from advanced diseases to preventive health and a comparison between today model and future one. Then, some health cities schemes which have been built in some of Middle East countries were shown in the presentation.

Those cities included hospital, university, biotechnology center and also a health techno parks. Finally, he talked about public and private sectors partnership and law system regulations, coming also across financial markets and establishment of model operation. At the end of the meeting, they agreed to exert enough efforts to carry out the health city project.

For Mobile Medical Team Project (Dr.Gardi, Pinto, Saracco, Musso) defined modalities of transferring Mobile Medical Hospital from Jordan to Duhok in order to participate in treating the patients of rural areas that Heevie is treating.



The Italian Team with Governor of Duhok & Director of General Health

On 17th November Kurdistan satellite TV live interviewed, all the Italian teams together with Director General of Health Dr. Abdulla Saeed for an hour. Dr. Abdulla Saeed started the interview by thanking the Italians for their visit to Kurdistan, their performance and cooperation in training the local staff, bringing modern instruments and laboratory equipments to develop the blood lab. He also passed his thanks to Heevie for their continual efforts. In addition, he expressed his gratefulness to the US Embassy, RRT for their support to all Heevie humanitarian work. The Italian team then started to explain period of the cooperation with Heevie and Kurdistan Regional Government which started since 2006. They shortly mentioned their performances and plans for the future. Finally, the interviewer expressed his thanks and happiness to be with them and hoped them all the success.



Burn and Plastic Surgery Hospital



Hawler Cardiac Center

The Italian team visited Burn and Plastic Surgery Hospital in Duhok on 20th of November with director of the hospital and the local medical staff. They checked on the patients.

On 20th November, the Italian administration team with Heevie administration paid a visit to Hawler Cardiac Center. In their visit, they met all the surgeons of Italian delegation and discussed with them the needs of the hospital.

On 21st November, the Italian team visited college of Medicine; the Dean of college Dr. Farhad Khorsheed warmly welcomed the guests then introduced himself to them.

The Dean expressed his happiness to see the visitors ensuring on the importance of creating mutual relationships to collaborate in different scientific fields especially in medicine and to be more specific with academic medicine. Dr.Gardi thanked the Dean in return and talked about the prospects of future collaboration with the college.

On 22nd November, the Minister of High Education Dr.Idrees Hadi held a meeting with the Italian administration team .In the meeting; both sides assured the significant of developing the relations and cooperation between both countries especially providing new medical methods, raining and skills.



Minister of High Education Dr.Idrees Hadi



Dean of College of Medicine

The Italian Catheterization Team consisted of the following specialists:

Nr.	Name	Profession	Institution	Gender
1	Mario Carminati	Cardiologist	San Donato Hospital -Milan	M
2	Sandra Giusti	Cardiologist	Massa Carara Hospital	F
3	Donatella De Bendetti	Anesthetist	Milan	F
4	Cristina Grossi	Nursery	Milan	F

In this mission (11) intervention, in Azadi Hospital in Duhok, have been conducted, (272) Congenital Heart Diseases patients have been examined, in addition (19) of the local medical staff consisted of Cardiologists, Anesthetists, Nurses and Technician received training on the job.



Selected pictures in Azadi General Hospital-Duhok, Director General of Duhok with the Italian, Prof. Mario Carminati