

Activities:

1- Italian NGOs Visits Kurdistan, 2012

In this year many Italian NGOs and Medical Teams visited Kurdistan, the Italian Medical Team that visited Kurdistan in 2012 to examine the patients and chooses the urgent cases consisted of the following Specialization:

| No. | Name | Profession and Institution | Gender | Nationality |
|-----|-------------------------------|--|--------|-------------|
| 1 | Dr.Simone De Santi | Italy Republic Consul in Erbil | M | Italian |
| 2 | Dr.Ilja Gardi | MD Health International Manager Manatena Onlus | M | Italian |
| 3 | Gabriele Zingaretti | Hospital Engineer | M | Italian |
| 4 | Sardar Ali Aziz | International relations Advisor | M | Italian |
| 5 | Dr. Iole Pinto | President - Solidarity Initiatives NGO | F | Italian |
| 6 | Prof. Alessandro Frigiola | Heart surgeon, Chief of the Cardiac Surgery at Policlinico San Donato Hospital in Milan & Founder of Children with Congenital Heart Disease in the World | M | Italian |
| 7 | Claudia Florio | European Heart for Children Association | F | Italian |
| 8 | Michele Piacciaredda | European Heart for Children Association | M | Italian |
| 9 | Mario Canale | European Heart for Children | M | Italian |
| 10 | Giovanni Zanchi | Direction Board Bambini Cardiopatici nel Mondo Association Foundation | M | Italian |
| 11 | Marco Di Terlizzi | Vice President Bambini Cardiopatici nel Mondo Association Foundation | M | Italian |
| 12 | Rocco Toscani | Journalist and photographer | M | Italian |
| 13 | Dr. Giuseppe Isgrò | Anaesthetist-San Donato Hospital- Milan | M | Italian |
| 14 | Dr.Matteo Reali | Heart surgeon-San Donato Hospital- Milan | M | Italian |
| 15 | Dr. Carmelo Marco Arcidiacono | Cardiologist-San Donato Hospital- Milan | M | Italian |
| 16 | Dr.Sandra Giusti | Cardiologist | F | Italian |
| 17 | Dr. Rita Emanuela Calaciura | Cardiologist | F | Italian |
| 18 | Dr. Halkawt Ali Nuri | Heart surgeon-San Donato Hospital- Milan | M | Italian |
| 19 | Dr. Jiyan Ali Aziz | Emergency Doctor – National Health Organization- Unit of Siena | F | Italian |

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|-----|---------------------------------|--|--------|-------------|
| 20 | Antonio Lorenzo Ditta | Perfusionist | M | Italian |
| 21 | Teresa Perla De La Torre Garcia | Intensivist -San Donato Hospital- Milan | F | Cuba |
| 22 | Assunta Salatino | Operating room nurse-San Donato Hospital- Milan | F | Italian |
| 23 | Anna Fiorani | Operating room nurse-San Donato Hospital- Milan | F | Italian |
| 24 | Daniela Damian | Nurse-San Donato Hospital- Milan | F | Italian |
| 25 | Chiara Graglia | Nurse-San Donato Hospital- Milan | F | Italian |
| 26 | Claudio Mele | Nurse-San Donato Hospital- Milan | M | Italian |
| 27 | Renza Martini | Nurse | F | Italian |
| 28 | Mr. Giancarlo Aragona | Ambassador - President of (IME) Foundation | M | Italian |
| 29 | Dr. Renato Corrado | Health Programme Representative at Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs | M | Italian |
| 30 | Dr. Gianluca Oricchio | MD Cardiovascular surgeon and Health Project Manager Manatena Onlus | M | Italian |
| 31 | Mr. Gerardo Carante | Ambassador of Italy to Iraq | M | Italian |
| 32 | Prof.Mario Messina | Pediatric Surgeon: Head of Pediatric Surgery Dpt. Teaching Hospital of Siena (Italy) | M | Italian |
| 33 | Dr.Giovanni Di Maggio | Pediatric Surgeon: Pediatric Surgery Dpt. Teaching Hospital of Siena (Italy) | M | Italian |
| 34 | Dr.Anna Lavinia Bulotta | Pediatric Surgeon: Pediatric Surgery Dpt. Teaching Hospital of Siena (Italy) | F | Italian |
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2- Treating Patients in Italy,2012:

The total of patients sent to Italy in cooperation with Italian Organizations in 2012(19) patients,shows in the table below:

| No. | Diseases | Treatment Destination | Total |
|-------|------------------------------|--|-------|
| 1 | Paediatric Surgical Diseases | Italy-Siena in cooperation with SIA Org. | 14 |
| 2 | Congenital Heart Diseases | Italy-Milano in cooperation with Associazione Cuore Fratello, SIA Org. | 5 |
| Total | | | 19 |



Congenital Heart Diseases Patients in Italy-Milano San Donato Hospital 2012



Paediatric Surgery Patients in Italy-Siena Hospital 2012

3-Treating the Patients in Kurdistan by the Italian teams, 2012

The total of patients operated in Kurdistan by Italian Medical Teams in 2011: (74) patients, shows in the table below:

| No. | Diseases | Supportive Side | Total Patients |
|-----|------------------------------|------------------------------|----------------|
| 1 | Congenital Heart Diseases | In cooperation with SIA Org. | 52 |
| 2 | Paediatric Surgical Diseases | In cooperation with SIA Org. | 22 |
| | Total | | 74 |

4- Evaluation and examining patients by Italian Medical teams in Kurdistan, 2012

The total of patients Examined in Kurdistan by Italian Medical Teams and Local trainee Doctors in, 2012: (2145) patients, shows in the table below:

| No. | Diseases | City | Total |
|-----|------------------------------|------------|-------------|
| 1 | Congenital Heart Diseases | Duhok | 1010 |
| | | Kirkuk | 197 |
| | | Erbil | 551 |
| | | Sulaymania | 123 |
| | Total Each Diseases | | 1881 |
| 2 | Paediatric Surgical Diseases | Duhok | 248 |
| | | Kirkuk | 2 |
| | | Erbil | 12 |
| | | Sulaymania | 2 |
| | Total Each Diseases | | 264 |
| | Total | | 2145 |

5- Training the Local Medical staff in cooperation with Italian organizations:

- (1) Trainees local medical Doctors sent to Italy or other country in cooperation with Italian Organizations.
- (81) Local medical Doctors trained on the job in Kurdistan by Italian Medical Teams.

6- Italian Consul in Erbil visits Heevie



Dr. Simone De Santi the Italian Republic Consul in Erbil paid a visit to Heevie

Dr. Simone De Santi the Italian Republic Consul in Erbil paid a second visit to Heevie on 01/02/2012, in a signal to the importance of the activities conduct by Heevie in coordination with Italian NGOs, Hospitals and entities. The Excellency of the consul met with Miss. Bakhshan Ali who had arranged to have Dr. Nezar Esmat Director General of Health in Duhok Governorate and Dr. Jiyan Ali Aziz physician at Siena Emergency Hospital to participate in the meeting. The meeting handled the next mission that will be held on March by Italian teams for the benefit of Kurdistan Region Children. Dr. Nezar highly appreciated the efforts paid by Heevie to improve the health conditions in KRG generally and regarded Heevie massive efforts in great magnitude and valuable. He expressed readiness of health authorities in Duhok to offer all required assistance and support to the Italian medical teams.

The Italian Consul emphasized on the necessity of coordination and cooperation among all parties to help patient children and offered all possible assistance to help out the existing cooperation among parties. Miss Bakhshan thanked Italian consul visited and highly appreciated his attention to follow up the activities conducted. The meeting participants focused on the future plans of upgrading cooperation and partnership.

7-Heevie Org. sets out a New Cooperation initiative with Directorate general of Health in Duhok



Heevie commenced many initiatives for developing healthcare in Kurdistan Region generally but in Duhok Governorate specifically through providing global skills, evaluation of healthcare facilities by Italian specialists, providing treatment for patients affiliated with complex diseases, training local medical personnel and workshops for local healthcare physicians. Dr. Nezar Esmat Director General of Health in Duhok met with Dr. Jiyen Ali Aziz from Siena Hospital in Italy (Emergency Department) and Miss Bakhshan Ali Aziz Heevie Manager in Heevie NGO building to set up a work plan for the start of immediate ambulance in Dohuk Governorate due to the massive need to such kind of aid to save inhabitants from emergency situations.

Dr. Nezar praised the contribution and assistance for setting a quick and complete plan according to the international health standards to promote the healthcare services and activate immediate aid and offering consultancy. Dr. Jiyan Ali immediate ambulance center in Duhok and met with Deputy of Emergency Hospital Dr. Abdullah Ibrahim, Head of Immediate Ambulance Center Dr. Hazim Hurmiz, the Programmer of Communications Center Eng. Ahmed Khalid Abdullah, Eng. Ali Hussein Ibrahim from Communication Center and paramedics who are considered the core of such work. Dr. Jiyan went through the plan of the mentioned center and exchanged ideas with working personnel. After getting a general idea Dr. Jiyan proposed that the plan is in need to put in consideration the following:

1. The center facility has only one gate for in and out and for all types of vehicles, ambulances and private vehicles, and the main street in front of the center is overcrowded with vehicles that park on the both sided which lead to delay ambulance exit and entrance and create the possibility of having accidents in the gate.
 2. Set up a direct communication between the center, Directorate of Traffic police and Civil Defense Department. The receiver of the center call should notify on duty traffic and civil police to secure and facilitate the ambulance mission to arrive safe and in time (for the reason of having lots of accident , emergency cases and the repeated calls by different people about the same case or accident)
 3. Establish a direct and fixed communication channel between ambulance center and the hosting hospitals of emergency cases (Burn hospital, Heevie hospital, Azadi hospital – Internal Medicine Dept. and Emergency hospital) to prepare receiving patients.
 4. Set a recognizable uniform for ambulance personnel to be differentiated, but differentiating, the duties and receiving assistance when required.
 5. There is global safe drive training for ambulances drivers.
 6. After an inspection visit it has become clear that the existing ambulances need to be cleaned, purified, maintained and re-arrange the contents of the ambulance to be ready to act properly, for instance in Italy the driver of the ambulance is responsible of the ambulance cabinet hygiene, maintenance and communication with ambulance center while paramedic is responsible of devices, tools and disposable materials that are used for one patient only such as oxygen cap and notify the center the need to such materials before the ambulance runs out of them.
 7. It has been notified that the center personnel are paying a serious attention to an organized and correct start especially by paramedics consolidated by Dr. Abdullah Ibrahim Deputy of Emergency Hospital and Dr. Laith Hazim Hurmiz head of Immediate Ambulance Center.
- Finally all participants agreed to cooperate to develop the center and exchange ideas and expertise.

8-San Donato Congenital Heart Diseases Medical Team visit to Duhok Governorate

On February 4th 2012 a Heart Diseases Medical Team from San Donato Hospital in Milan Italy visited Kurdistan Region Duhok Governorate. The team received by Heevie who had arranged all the necessary preparations for the team's short visit. The purpose of such a visit was to prepare for the next mission by the team in March 2012 to provide cure and treatment for a group of children. The delegation met with Dr. Nezar Esmat Director-General of the health of Duhok to organize the upcoming visit and the Preparation of the new heart center in Duhok to begin to conduct the operations for the first time since the opening of the center. Then they visit the organization to examine patients. Dr. Eman Hesen who had been trained in Italy examined 107 patient children affiliated with heart diseases to update their health status and share that out with Italian medical team to ease and precise the selection of patients to be operated.



San Donato Congenital Heart Diseases Medical Team





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9-Italian delegation visiting Kurdistan on 11th of February 2012

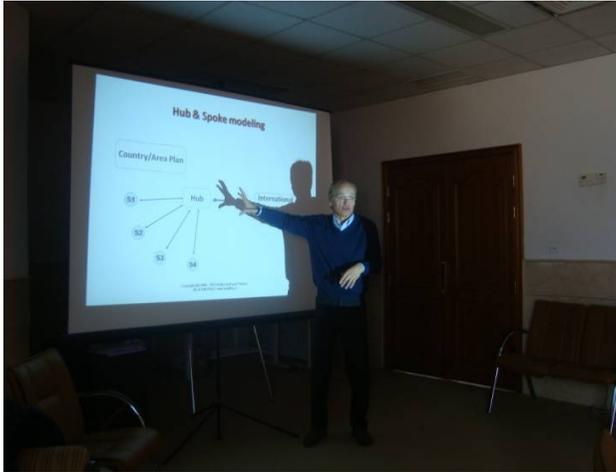
Meeting with the Director-General of health of Duhok



On 11th of February 2012 Dr. Ilja Gardi, Eng. Gabriele Zingaretti, Mr. Sardar Ali and Bakshan Ali paid a visit to Directorate General of Health in Duhok Governorate and met with Dr. Nezar Esmat Director General. In the meeting Dr. Gardi illustrated the purpose of the delegation visit to Kurdistan Region, Duhok Governorate at the same time he introduced Eng. Gabriele Zingaretti who is specialized in designing and planning hospitals and health care cities in Italy.

The Italian delegation offered the Italian expertise and experience to help the Health authorities in Duhok to design and develop new health facilities that would be built according to the existing population statistics, future growth and epidemiology. At the same time Dr. Gardi and Eng. Zingaretti pointed out the need and necessity of planning and designing in the process of new health facilities to overcome future concerns, reduce unforeseen expenditures and facilitate for both health services provision and inhabitants.

Dr. Nezar expressed thanks and gratitude to the delegation's visit. He highly appreciated the offer made by Dr. Gradi and confirmed the statement to the need of integrated planning and design for any future constructed health facility. Meanwhile Dr. Nezar asked Dr. Gardi and the accompany delegation to help out Health authorities in Duhok to come out with tight plan to design for health facilities that are intended to be constructed in the future putting in consideration the main factors that may affect in the future.



Dr. Ilya Gardi and Eng. Zingaretti have shown presentation to Dr. Nezar and fifteen of the working personnel contained the main factors over which new health plan should be built upon. The presentation handled population which considered the first main factor for any health facility, cultural aspects of the local people including the percentage of given birth as an average calculated with designed plans of health facilities expansions, economic changes that encourages inhabitants seeking for more developed and sophisticated healthcare services and eventually urges people seek such services outside the country when they don't exist locally and finally understanding the priorities of the society and fulfill urgent needs of heal care services, plus guarantee the necessary and required expertise to run and cover the of both heal care facilities and population.



Meeting with the President of Duhok University



Italian delegation visiting Kurdistan on 11th of February 2012

On Sunday 12th of February the Italian delegation headed by Dr. Ilja Gardi made a visit to Duhok University Presidency and met with Dr. Ismat Mohammed Khalid President of Duhok University who warmly welcomed the delegation . Dr. Ilja Gardi who is known by Duhok University officials demonstrated the history of the Italian medical mission cooperation in Kurdistan Region and the efforts they had and will pay to help out enhancing and developing the health system in Kurdistan Region specially in the field of training and assist to create the needed expertise via training local physicians in training programs in Italy and Kurdistan region and transfer knowledge, modern techniques and up-to-date usage of technology to the local healthcare facilities.

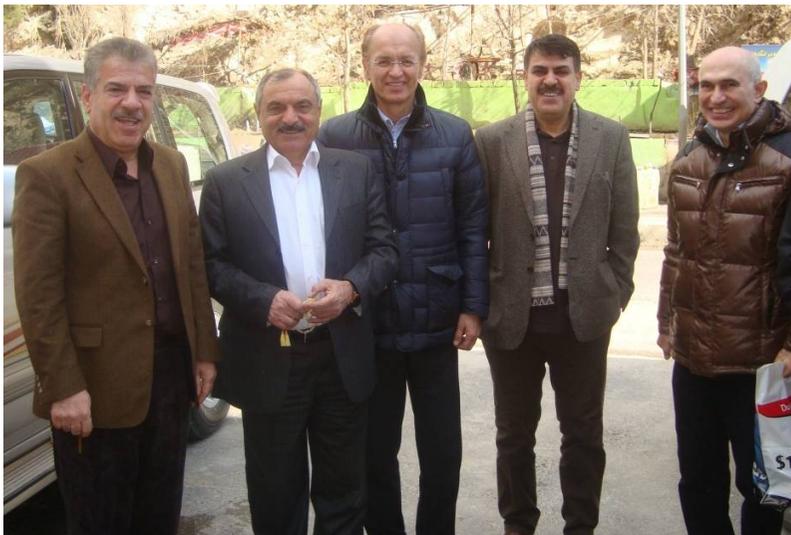


Dr. Ismat thanked the visitors and showed up the readiness of Duhok University to assist and cooperate with Italian delegations and health missions in Kurdistan Region.

Dr. Ilja Gardi talked about the purpose of his current visit to Kurdistan Region that is to help out health authorities to better design and plan for future health facilities in Duhok governorate in accordance to scientific, cultural and economic factors.

Dr. Ismat was impressed about the idea and asked the delegation to help Duhok University that will build a University hospital in the new campus of Duhok University. The Italian delegation along with Dr. Ismat made a visit to Duhok University new campus to have better idea about the new compound. The president of Duhok University assured the need to Italian expertise to design and plan for the future hospital that best fit the international standards.

Meeting with the Kurdish high officials



Dr. Ilja Gardi, Sardar Ali Aziz, Eng. Gabriele Zingaretti and General Nazar Rahmatullah joined together with Mr. Abdulaziz Tayib ex-minister of Agriculture in Kurdistan Region and Mr. Maueed Tayib Spokesman of Kurdistan Alliance block in Baghdad. During lunch they exchanged ideas and discussed the future plans of cooperation.