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## **Letter from the Editor**



**May 2023**

**Dear Colleagues,**

The time has come for me to step down from the position of Chief Editor having co-founded The Arab Journal of Psychiatry in 1989 with Dr Adnan Al-Tikriti. It has been a great honour to have played a part with him in increasing the mental health research output in the Arab world. The quality of papers has steadily improved over the years and so too has the international collaboration. This matters for a part of the world that has witnessed so many wars, conflicts and major social and geopolitical changes that have impacted on the mental health and wellbeing of people living through such times.

More investment in mental health research is needed to support even higher-quality studies in the Arab world. I believe the AJP continues to be an important conduit for such possibilities and look forward to seeing if it can be indexed in international databases as has been the ambition. For now, I must at least acknowledge a few - among so many regular contributors and supporters - who have been instrumental over the years in helping us get this far: Ahmad Okasha, Elie Karam, Abdelmanaf Aljadry, Numan Ali, Nazar Amin, Sudad Tamimi, Marwan Dwairy, Adib Essali, the late Adelaziz Thabet; and consistently supporting from behind-the-scenes: Raja Nasrallah and Tori Snell.

Finally, I am delighted to announce that the Executive Council of the Arab Federation of Psychiatrists has chosen an excellent colleague, Dr Hisham Ramy, Professor of Psychiatry, who will preside over the Journal from Cairo – the city where the AJP was first discussed all those years ago. I wish him every success and many fruitful years ahead as the new Chief Editor.

**Yours Sincerely,**

**Walid Sarhan**

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