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## Message and objectives

Our goal is to be at the top of leading political institutions through: qualifying and training political cadres, participation in legitimate political work of all its forms, putting forward solutions and perceptions at the national level, fighting corruption in all its forms, and spreading political and national awareness. In addition to the mentioned above, we aim at taking on the concerns of the homeland and the citizen, and encouraging public participation in decision-making.

## Message

National Islamic Forum Society seeks to achieve the following:

- Activation of public participation both men and women
- Working with civil society organizations and all political forces to develop frameworks and mechanisms of constitutional monarchy to establish civil peace, social justice, political stability, and flourishing national economy based on human development and equal opportunities, an economy that develops with growing annual rates. All our actions are based on commitment to the moderate values of Islam and its tolerant Sharia within a contemporary civilized vision, and within membership of the Gulf and the Arab and Islamic nations.

## Vision

Objectives

1 – Working on strengthening the fundamentals of the Arab-Islamic Identity of Bahraini society.

2 – Working on developing national positions from an Islamic perspective in all aspects of life.

3 - Upholding the gains of the Constitution and the Charter in the field of public freedoms, human rights and democracy and counseling and working on its development.

4-Working on activation of public participation in defining and shaping the future of the country and development plans.

5 – Working on achieving social peace for individuals, society and the consolidation of national unity in the country.

6 - Seeking to develop the country's economic system and to provide the requirements of a decent life for a Bahraini citizen and fight financial and administrative corruption and wasting public money.

7 - Working on reinforcing social and educational systems and cultural and media in the country on the basis of combining Islamic Identity and keeping up with the civilized and scientific progress, as well as working on maintaining the stability of the Bahraini family entity. 8 - Seeking to encourage unity of its various forms and steps between countries of the Cooperation Council for the Arab States of the Gulf to achieve comprehensive political, economic and military integration that end up with overall unity as an embodiment of the principles of Islam, calling for the unity of and renouncing division and separation.

## Means

The society -established in accordance with the law- uses the following methods: 1 - The use of media in all its means of publications, newspapers, magazines, books, radio, television and other modern means.

2 - Interaction with public and political events and contributing through the establishment of public events.

3 - Coordination, cooperation and continuous dialogue with official parties, all political forces and civil society organizations in the country.

4 - Establishing alliances with political forces and organizations on common issues.

5 - Conducting studies and research proposal and preparation of draft laws.

6 - Holding political, cultural and intellectual seminars.

7 – Holding events of coordination and cooperation with all segments of society, individuals, political forces and civil society organizations.

8 – Holding conferences and specialized training courses with the participation of experts and those interested.

9 – Running in the municipal and parliamentary elections and representing the citizens in elected councils and defending their rights.