



**An Exceptional Edition of the SANAD Programme  
to Support those Impacted by the February 2023 Earthquake  
Within Ahliyah Initiative's Framework**

**Frequently Asked Questions**

**Is there a specific timeframe for this special edition of the Sanad programme?**

This edition was launched due to exceptional circumstances with the purpose of providing 50 individual support opportunities for those directly affected by the earthquake over a period of six months.

**What does this support involve?**

This edition of Sanad provides flexible support that covers livelihood and healthcare services to help affected people face the current exceptional circumstances and maintain their physical and psychological health and that of their families in the short term, in order to restore their vital roles in their communities.

**What is the amount of this support?**

The amount is set according to each beneficiary's needs. We estimate that the initiative will offer anywhere between EUR 500 and a maximum of EUR 1,500 per beneficiary.

**Are there specific criteria for spending the allocated amount?**

It is completely up to the beneficiary to decide how to spend the amount.

**How are applications assessed?**

The applications will be processed and assessed by a joint committee representing all the institutions who took part in designing Ahlieh initiative, in partnership with Douzan Art and Culture and experts. The beneficiaries will then be contacted and informed that they have been selected to receive support.

**What are the application assessment criteria?**

Applications for support will be accepted based on the following criteria:

- The extent of the damage suffered by the applicant and the level and urgency of their responsibilities;
- The applicant's economic situation and financial responsibilities;
- The applicant's physical and psychological state;
- The applicant's particular circumstances and the extent to which they prevent them from accessing additional support opportunities.

### **Should supporting documents be attached to the application form?**

We are aware of the difficult conditions that applicants are enduring, and we realize that it might not be possible for them to submit many files. That said, any documents, pictures, videos, or information supporting the application can help the committee understand their actual needs when reviewing applications.

### **How is follow-up and documentation conducted after obtaining support?**

This edition of Sanad falls adopts a flexible framework that considers the beneficiaries' personal circumstances:

- Electronic signature is accepted in contracts and in cases where it is not possible for applicants to print documents.
- Beneficiaries will not be required to send follow-up reports, but rather answer a questionnaire aimed at evaluating this edition's efficiency.
- Support will be disbursed as soon as possible after approval.

### **Are civil initiatives, associations, and institutions eligible to benefit from this edition?**

This edition of Sanad targets individuals and their families.

### **Can someone receive support more than once?**

No.

### **Can someone who had previously received support from another initiative by Ettijahat, Action for Hope or Douzan Art and Culture benefit from this special edition of Sanad?**

Yes.

### **Is this edition of Sanad intended only for those working in culture and arts?**

This edition targets workers in the fields of civil and community action, arts, culture and media who have been directly affected by the catastrophic earthquake, including single mothers, people at risk, and members of the LGBTQIA+ community, regardless of their age, gender orientation, religion, or ethnicity.

Groups that will be prioritized for support include but are not limited to:

- Individuals who have legal problems;
- Individuals facing direct safety risks;
- Male and female breadwinners for their families and partners without any other resources at present;

- Those who suffer from long-term physical or psychological health problems;
- Individuals with special circumstances that require direct support.

**Will the names of the beneficiaries be announced?**

The names of the beneficiaries will not be announced; a complete privacy policy will be adopted.