

TWO KEY POSITIONS FOR BAHRAINI LAWYERS

Ali Al Jabal and **Hasan Al Ajooz** bring pride to the country.



Ali Al Jabal



Hasan Al Ajooz

The International Association of Lawyers (Union Internationale des Avocats, UIA) has appointed Lawyer Ali Al Jabal as the UIA's Regional Secretary for the Gulf States (Middle East 2) and Lawyer Hasan Al Ajooz as the National Representative in the Kingdom of Bahrain for a period of two years.

Lawyers Al Jabal and Al Ajooz were nominated at the executive committee meeting of the association held in Geneva, Switzerland last month, in the 1st of June. They are both members of the UIA governing board and will be attending board meetings on September 9th in Tallinn and on October 27th in Toronto.

Whereas Al Jabal's responsibilities include organizing and building national committees in each country, electing National Presidents and officials, encouraging National Representatives in their tasks, providing an introduction for

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incoming representatives and keeping contact with other Regional Secretaries in the adjoining regions to enhance an exchange between regions; Alajooz's responsibilities include establishing

contacts with the Bahrain Bar Society and other local or regional organizations and to represent UIA in the media. Al Jabal and Al Ajooz will both be responsible for attracting local and GCC lawyers to become members of the association and providing workshops and presentations for members and potential members.

The UIA is the world's oldest international organization and has more than 200 bar, federation and association members from more than 110 countries. It's open to all the world's lawyers, both general practitioners and specialists. Its members also include legal professionals, judges, law students and teachers. Since 1971, the UIA has benefited from its special consultative status in the United Nations and the European Council. The UIA's membership has extensive expertise in legal matters, which allows the organization to initiate high-level legal debates within its technical commissions and working groups, as well as adopts resolutions on current problems faced by the legal profession throughout the world.

Aljabal is the first Bahraini lawyer to become a member of the UIA and he has been appointed to several positions previously including being Bahrain's national representative for the past two years. Alajooz has been qualified as a lawyer and started his profession in 2010 having obtained his Master's degree with merit in International Commercial and Business Law in the United Kingdom. Alajooz is also a member of the Bahrain Bar Society and a certified Arbitrator by the GCC Commercial Arbitration Centre. 