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Role of Professional Associations in the Making of Social Welfare Policies in Egypt

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Abstract :

study aimed to identify the contributions of professional associations in the stages of social welfare policy making through: the formulation of social welfare policies, the implementation of social welfare policies, the evaluation of welfare policies ,Inaddition to identifying the obstacles and reaching a vision for the future to activate the role of professional associations, and to achieve the objectives of the study, it was based on a measurement form as a main tool prepared by the researcher through the study of previous studies and expert consultation ,The tool consists of (75) phrase in addition to the primary data distributed as follows: primary data (9)phrase, contributions of professional associations in the formulation of social welfare policies (15) contributions of professional associations in the implementation of policies (15),contributions of professional associations in the evaluation of policies (15),Constraints facing professional associations in policy making (15), the future vision of activating the role of professional associations in the stages of social welfare policy making (15) ,The study concluded with a number of results: The study showed a number of the contributions of professional associations in the stage of the formulation of social policies, the most important of which are the following:Collecting data and information about associations demands, ensuring that the social objectives of the associations are formulated in line with social policies, attention to connect the needs of society to decision makers,As for their contributions to the implementation policies, they are as follows: To monitor the shortcomings in the implementation of the existing social welfare policies, to rehabilitate the associations leaders to carry out the expected role in determining the priorities of the social programs,As for its role in the evaluation of policies, it is represented in: Study of the obstacles facing the implementation of social policies, Encouraging members to propose alternatives to the implementation of social welfare policies ,The most important obstacles are the lack of qualified associations cadres in all areas of the various professional associations activities ,As for the aspects of activation, the most important were: active participation in the implementation of the amendments in the policies of social welfare implemented, the use of different mechanisms to influence the legislative policies of interest to members.

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