DUSTOUR Talk - Contribution Guidelines

DUSTOUR Talk (“Dustour” means “constitution” in Arabic) is a blog of the Journal of Constitutional Law in the Middle East and North Africa, offering a platform for the community of practitioners and scholars working on the MENA region to write legal opinions, short pieces and commentaries on recent constitutional developments and court decisions in the region.

DUSTOUR Talk welcomes original contributions that provide quality analysis of constitutional developments across the MENA region, including constitutional drafting and amendments, peace processes, case law, legislation, policy-making and activism.

We accept unsolicited submissions from students, researchers, policy-makers, academics, lawyers, and members of civil society organizations. However, we only publish blogs that are of high quality and that comply with our submission guidelines set forth below:

- Posts should be between 500 and 2000 words in length, in Arabic, English or French.
- Posts should reflect original and genuine work. They should not have been published elsewhere. Once published, you may request permission to cross-publish and if permission is granted, a clear link to the original article must be included.
- Posts should be clear, concise, written in good quality and well-structured with sound argumentation.
- Posts should be respectful in tone while allowing for the freedom of expression on all topics without any taboos, provided the argumentation is sound and solid.
- Posts should provide relevant background information to make them accessible to readers from outside your country.
- Posts should include hyperlinks to relevant sources and background information which are mentioned. Hyperlinks must link only to respected sources.

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