

# Shafallah inks training deal with a British charity

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THE Shafallah Centre for Children with Disabilities yesterday signed a partnership training agreement with the UK-based Barnardo's 'Giving Children back their Future' during an agreement signing ceremony at the centre.

Shafallah Centre's deputy managing director Sameera al-Qassimi and UK director of Marketing and Communication for Barnardo's Andrew Nebel signed for the organisation.



Al-Qassimi and Nebel are seen after the signing the agreement yesterday

Under the partnership, Barnardo's will provide applied learning and field training to Shafallah's Qatari social workers and family support staff through exchange of training and professional development expertise as well as engagement in administrative development programmes.

Al-Qassimi said the centre was keen to partner with the British organisation, having discovered the company's skills in the field of training and development after a visit to the UK last year.

"We decided to partner with Barnardo's in order to enhance the skills and ability of our staff for them to be able to forge ahead with their work," she said.

Nebel said his company has a track record of excellent skills training and development assuring that the organisation has the required depth of experience in dealing with families and community at large.

"We are a British children's charity with a depth of knowledge and experience having worked with different families and what we would be doing with the Shafallah is actually transfer of knowledge and skills," he said. The implementation of the agreement will commence soon, according to the officials.