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### **Award of the Dr A.T. Shousha Foundation Prize and Fellowship**

1. Following the recommendations of the Dr A.T. Shousha Foundation Committee at the Fifty-ninth Session of the Regional Committee for the Eastern Mediterranean, the Executive Board awarded the Dr A.T. Shousha Foundation Prize for 2013, by decision EB132(3), to Dr Mohammad-Reza Mohammadi (Islamic Republic of Iran) for his significant contribution to public health in the geographical area in which Dr Shousha served the World Health Organization.
2. Dr Mohammadi is being honoured for his significant contribution to public health in the Islamic Republic of Iran, particularly in the area of child and adolescent psychiatry. Dr Mohammadi graduated in medicine from Isfahan University in 1981, and subsequently studied at the Institute of Psychiatry, University of London in the United Kingdom, graduating as a specialist (M.Phil) in child and adolescent psychiatry in 1997.
3. Dr Mohammadi has had an extensive academic career and has held several important positions such as Head of the State Welfare Organization. At present, he is Head of the Psychiatry and Psychology Research Centre, Tehran University of Medical Sciences and Health Services, and Chief Editor of the Iranian Journal of Psychiatry. Dr Mohammadi has been a key proponent of community-based rehabilitation in the Islamic Republic of Iran, supporting its integration into the national health system. Among his major achievements in public health is the establishment of the Social Welfare and Rehabilitation Science University in 1992. Dr Mohammadi is the recipient of numerous national awards and honours. He has authored over 150 articles in scientific journals and has published more than 20 books.
4. The 2013 Dr A.T. Shousha Foundation Prize, consisting of a medal and equivalent of CHF 2500 in United States dollars, will be presented to Dr Mohammadi by the Chairman of the Sixtieth Session of the Regional Committee.
5. The Dr A.T. Shousha Foundation Committee is also scheduled to meet during the Sixtieth Session of the Regional Committee to consider nominations for the prize and fellowship for 2014. In accordance with the Statutes, the Committee shall be composed of the following members: the Chairman and two Vice-Chairmen of the Regional Committee for the Eastern Mediterranean and the Chairman of its Technical Discussions.
6. The Director-General of the World Health Organization acts as Administrator of the Foundation and the Regional Director acts as Secretary of the Foundation Committee.