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Fa'eza who is 38 years old lives with her family in Ghil Bawazir in the governorate of Hadramout. Her hobbies include reading. She is the only one in her family that studies computer so her family is supportive and encourages her efforts. Fa'eza recently finished the UP course as a part of the WIT program which is run by Hadramout branch of the Society for Social Development.

Fa'eza received her Masters in jurisprudence and law and her research titled "Executing Contracts in Yemen: A Comparative Study" discussed the following topics: Executing contracts from a historical and legal Islamic perspective as well as methods of executing contracts in Yemen, Sudan and Egypt. Currently she works as the head of the registry office in the Ghil Bawazeer preliminary Court. In addition to her work Fa'eza is continuing her graduate studies.

Fa'eza found out about the program through an advertisement in her workplace. Driven by her desire to improve her skills and use new technology she signed up to the program. Her previous computer experiences were all undertaken on her own initiative as a hobby. Fa'eza hopes to improve her technical skills to add to her employment and social abilities.

Fa'eza thinks that studying computers is very important for women in her society so she advises women to participate in the program to keep up with the innovations of our age and improve her abilities so she can deliver her social mission.

From Fa'eza's point of view all segments of the program were useful but she thinks that increasing training hours would improve the program and its effectiveness. Fa'eza also thinks that adding another section to the training so trainees can pass on what they learned to new participants would be useful.

Fa'eza considers all ambitious women her role models because they contribute to their society's development. Fa'eza differs from her mother because she sees herself as more ambitious and knows that she had a chance to gain more knowledge and hopes that her daughter in turn will differ from her by being more skilled in advanced technologies.

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