


**Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (ESCWA)**

 Coordination meeting for statisticians on tracking and monitoring food security in the Arab Region  
Beirut, Lebanon 26 June 2019

## Agenda

*Wednesday, 26 June 2019*

**9:00 – 9:30 Registration**

*Concerned participants are kindly requested to bring their passport, visa stamp and airline ticket stub to the meeting.*

**9:30 – 10:00 Opening Session:**

- **Welcoming Remarks**

*Mr. Elias Ghadban, Regional Advisor on Food Security, ESCWA*

*Mr. Juraj Riecan, Director, Statistics Division, ESCWA*

*Mr. Carlo Cafiero, Project Manager, Statistics Division (ESS), FAO, Italy*

*Mr. Elhag Attia, Arab Organization for Agricultural Development (AOAD), Sudan*

- **Overview of the food security project and consultative meetings**

*Ms. Julie Abouarab, Food and Environment Policies Section, ESCWA*

**10:00 – 11:00 Session I: Overview of Food security monitoring in the Arab Region**

*Moderator: Mr. Elias Ghadban, Regional Advisor on Food Security, ESCWA*

- **Concept of Food security monitoring framework**

*Mr Rami Zurayk, ESCWA Consultant, Lebanon, Chairperson and Professor, Landscape Design and Ecosystem Management Department, American University of Beirut, Lebanon*

- **Food security report of the Arab region**

*Mr. Ali Musa Eissa, AOAD, Sudan*

- **The Food Insecurity Experience Scale**

*Mr. Carlo Cafiero, FAO, Italy*

General discussions

**11:00 – 11:30 Coffee Break**

**11:30 – 13:30 Session II: Food Security indicators and dashboards**

*Moderator: Mr. Fidele Byiringiro, FEPS, ESCWA*

- **Food security data collection situation in the Arab region**

*Mr. Juraj Riecan. Director, Statistics Division, ESCWA*

- **Monitoring framework suite of indicators and dashboards**

*Mr Rami Zurayk, American University of Beirut, Lebanon*

General discussions

**13:30 – 14:30 Lunch Break**

**14:30 – 16:00 Session III: Implementing the Monitoring Framework in the Region**

*Moderator: Mr. Elhag Attia, AOAD, Sudan*

- **Methodology followed for national data collection & analysis**

*Mr. Tarek Abdellatif, AOAD, Sudan*

- **Capacity building for NSO and cooperation with international agency**

*Mr. Al Janabi, Information Technology Coordinator, AITRS, Jordan*

- **Establishment of a Food security monitoring system in the Arab Region**

*Ms. Julie Abouarab, FEPS, ESCWA*

- **Country experience in monitoring food security**

*Tour de table discussion*

General discussions

**16:00 – 16:30 Way forward and closing remarks**

- Wrap-up and way forward,

*ESCWA, AOAD, FAO and AITRS*

End of meeting

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