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Twelfth Regional Training Workshop on Capacity Development for Climate Change
Negotiations for the Arab Countries
Beirut, 7-8 April, 2019

AGENDA

Day 1 – Sunday, 7 April 2019

- 8:30-9:00 Registration of participants at the *Radisson Blu Hotel, Verdun, Beirut* (Meeting Room: *Galleria* - 1st floor)
- 9:00-9:30 Opening statements and introductions
- Ms. Roula Majdalani, Director, Sustainable Development Policies Division, United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (ESCWA), Lebanon
 - Mr. Yousef Meslmani, Programme Management – Climate Change, UN Environment/West Asia Office, Bahrain
 - Mr. Bisher Imam, Senior Programme Specialist, Regional Bureau for Science in the Arab States, United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO), Cairo Office, Egypt
 - Mr. Ayman Shasly, Chair of the Arab Group on Climate Change, Advisor for International Policies, Ministry of Energy, Industry and Mineral Resources, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia (KSA)
 - Mr. Ashraf Shalaby, Regional Coordinator for Climate Change and Meteorology, Environment, Housing and Water Resources Department, Economic Sector, League of Arab States, Egypt
- Introduction of participants and overview of the workshop agenda
- Mr. Tarek Sadek, Water Resources and Climate Change Officer, Sustainable Development Policies Division, ESCWA.

Session I Overview of COP 24 and Future Work

Moderator: *Ms. Roula Majdalani, ESCWA*

- 9:30-10:00 Overview of COP 24 and major outcomes
- *Ms. Bushra Al-hinai, International Policies Analyst, Ministry of Energy, Industry and Mineral Resources, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia*
- 10:00-10:30 Future work for 2019 and beyond
- *Ms. Bushra Al-hinai, KSA*

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- 10:30-11:00 Discussion
11:00-11:30 Coffee break

Session II Adaptation, Mitigation Article 6 and Technology Framework Issues

Moderator: *Ms. Lea Kai Aboujaoude, Project Manager, Climate Change Projects
Ministry of Environment, Lebanon*

- 11:30-12:00 Adaptation outcomes and implementing article 4.7
- *Mr. Vicente Yu, South Center, Switzerland*
- 12:00-12:30 Mitigation issues in the NDC's
- *Mr. Mohamed Khalil, Minister Counsellor, Deputy Chief of Mission, Embassy of
Egypt in Morocco*
- 12:30-13:00 Article 6 (market and non-market approaches): future work
- *Mr. Wael Kishk, Manager, Clean Development Mechanism Department Climate
Change Central Department, Ministry of Environment, Egypt*
- 13:00-13:30 Implementation of technology framework and current negotiation status
- *Ms. Hanadi Awadallah, Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry, Sudan*
- 13:30-14:00 Discussion
14:00-15:00 Lunch break

Session III Response Measures and NDCs Features, Information and Accounting

Moderator: *Mr. Mohamed Lamine Habchi, Deputy Director, Multilateral Affairs
Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Algeria*

- 15:00-15:30 Response measures outcomes and agriculture issues
- *Mr. Mohamed Osama, Ministry of Trade and Industry, Egypt*
- 15:30-16:00 NDC update (including upcoming plans for work under article 13)
- *Mr. Vahakn Kabakian, Portfolio Manager and Advisor, Climate Change Projects,
Ministry of Environment, Lebanon*
- 16:00-16:15 Coffee break
- 16:15-16:45 NDCs outcomes: features, information and accounting and updates of NDC in 2020
- *Mr. Vicente Yu, South Center, Switzerland*
- 16:45-17:15 Discussion
17:15 End of Day 1

Day 2 – Monday, 8 April 2019

Session IV	Transparency System and GHG Reporting
	Moderator: <i>Ms. Rana Fadhil Shakir, Chief Chemist, Ministry of Environment, Iraq</i>
9:00-9:30	Update on transparency outcomes and an overview of the new system - <i>Ms. Bushra Alhinai, KSA</i>
9:30-10:00	GHG reporting and transparency issues - <i>Mr. Amr Osama Abdel-Aziz, President, INTEGRAL Consult, Cairo, Egypt</i>
10:00-10:30	Future work in transparency: common reporting tables - <i>Ms. Bushra Alhinai, KSA</i>
10:30-11:00	Discussion
11:00-11:30	Coffee break
Session V	Finance Component of the Paris Agreement Work Programme (PAWP) Package and Outcomes of Arab Regional Consultation on Climate Change
	Moderator: <i>Mr. Taha Amimi, Cadre Supérieur, Sustainable Development Department Ministry of Energy, Mines and Sustainable Development, Morocco</i>
11:30-12:00	Update on finance issues and outcomes of the PAWP - <i>Mr. Ayman Shasly, Chair of the Arab Negotiation Group</i>
12:00-12:30	Outcomes of the Arab Regional Consultation Meeting on Climate Change, March 2019, Beirut for the Arab Forum on Sustainable Development, April 2019, Beirut - <i>Mr. Tarek Sadek, ESCWA</i>
12:30-13:00	Discussion
13:30-14:30	Lunch break
Session VI	Regional Initiatives and Preparations for the Bonn Meeting and COP 25 in Santiago and 23rd Arab Negotiation Group Meeting
	Moderator: <i>Mr. Belal Fannoun, Diplomat, Contact point for UNFCCC, Multilateral Affairs Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Expatriates, Palestine</i>
14:30-15:00	Climate action reporting under the UNFCCC and Paris Agreement: Building on National Communications from Biennial Update Reports (BUR's) to Biennial Transparency Reports (BTR's) - <i>Mr. Yousef Meslmani, UN Environment/West Asia Office, Bahrain</i>

- 15:00-15:30 The Water/Energy/Food Nexus: A framework for sectoral integration and governance of climate change adaptation
- *Mr. Bisher Imam, UNESCO, Cairo Office, Egypt*
- 15:30-15:45 Closing Statements
- *ESCWA*
 - *UN Environment*
 - *UNESCO/Cairo Office*
 - *Head of Arab Negotiation Group*
 - *League of Arab States*
- 15:45-16:00 Coffee break
- 16:00-17:15 23rd Arab Negotiation Group Meeting: Preparation for the Bonn Meeting and COP 25 in Santiago
- *Mr. Ashraf Shalaby, LAS*
- 17:15 End of meeting
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