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6th ESCWA Technology Centre (ETC) Technical Committee Meeting

Amman, Jordan, 2-3 October 2018

AGENDA

DAY 1: TUESDAY 2 OCTOBER 2018

- 09:00 – 09:30 Registration and Networking
- 09:30 – 10:00 Opening Session
- Chair: Mr. Alaa-Eldin Adris, 5th ETC Technical Committee Meeting Chairperson, Chairman of Board of Trustees, the Egyptian Center for the Advancement of Science, Technology & Innovation (ECASTI), Egypt
- Opening Remarks
- *Ms. Reem Nejdawi, Executive Director, ESCWA Technology Centre, Jordan*
 - *Mr. Zaid Obeidat, Acting Secretary General, Ministry of Planning and International Cooperation, Jordan*
- Presentation of 6th ETC Technical Committee Meeting Programme
- *Mr. Nael Al Mulki, National Officer, ESCWA Technology Centre, Jordan*
- Tour de table

Session I Introduction to ETC and Technical Committee mandates

- Chair: Mr. Alaa-Eldin Adris, 5th ETC Technical Committee Meeting Chairperson, Chairman of Board of Trustees, the Egyptian Center for the Advancement of Science, Technology & Innovation (ECASTI), Egypt
- 10:00 – 11:00 Mandate of ETC and its Technical Committee
- *Ms. Reem Nejdawi, ESCWA Technology Centre, Jordan*
- 5th ETC Technical Committee Meeting summary and recommendations
- *Mr. Alaa-Eldin Adris, 5th ETC Technical Committee Meeting Chairperson, Chairman of Board of Trustees, the Egyptian Center for the Advancement of Science, Technology & Innovation (ECASTI), Egypt*
- Election of 6th ETC Technical Committee Meeting Chairperson
- Q & A
- 11:00 – 11:30 Coffee Break

Session II UN Focus on Technology as one of the means of implementation for global agendas

- Elected 6th ETC Technical Committee Meeting Chairperson
- Chair: *Ms. Rahma Ibrahim Al-Mahrooqi, Deputy Vice Chancellor for Postgraduate Studies and Research, Sultan Qaboos University, Oman*
- 11:30 – 12:30 Global agendas and ETC Implementation for 2016-2018,
- *Ms. Reem Nejdawi, Executive Director, ETC, Jordan*
- Establishing linkages with other technology centers - update on Climate Technology Centre and Network
- *Mr. Rajiv Garg, Regional Manager, East & Southern Africa and West & Central Asia, Climate Technology Center and Network (CTCN), Kenya*
- ESCWA 30th Ministerial Session Outcome (2018): Beirut Consensus and outcomes of the three high level roundtable discussions
- *Mr. Elias Ghadban, Regional Advisor on Food Security, ESCWA, Lebanon*
- Q & A

Session III Groups Discussion: Implementation of Beirut Consensus

- Moderator: Mr. Elias Ghadban, Regional Advisor on Food Security, ESCWA, Lebanon
- 12:30 – 14:00 Key Outcomes of the Groups Discussion
- 14:00 – 15:00 Lunch Break

Session IV Role of ETC in Implementing Beirut Consensus

- Chair *Ms. Rahma Ibrahim Al-Mahrooqi, Deputy Vice Chancellor for Postgraduate Studies and Research, Sultan Qaboos University, Oman*
- Moderator: Ms. Faten Al Jabsheh, Acting Division Director, Kuwait Institute for Scientific Research, Kuwait
- 15:00 – 16:00 a) What ETC can do to support technology parks and other actors (service providers for SMEs, innovators and entrepreneurs)
- Introduction:
- *Mr. Nael Al Mulki, National Officer, ESCWA Technology Centre, Jordan*
- Panelists:
- *Mr. Laith Kassis, CEO, Palestine Techno Park, Palestine*
 - *Mr. Osama A. Rayis, Director General, Africa City of Technology, Sudan*
 - *Ms. Serene Duwayri, Director iPARK Incubation, Jordan*
- 16:00 – 16:15 Coffee Break

16:15 – 17:15 b) What ETC can do to support research and academic institutions

Introduction:

- *Mr. Nael Al Mulki, National Officer, ESCWA Technology Centre, Jordan*

Panelists:

- *Mr. Fadhl Al Nozaily, Associate Professor, Water & Sanitation Sanaa University, Yemen*
- *Ms. Faten Al Jabsheh, Acting Division Director, Kuwait Institute for Scientific Research, Kuwait*
- *Ms. Rahma Ibrahim Al-Mahrooqi, Deputy Vice Chancellor for Postgraduate Studies and Research, Sultan Qaboos University, Oman*
- *Mr. Khalid Al Quradaghi, Director, Knowledge & Innovation Systems Research & Development, Qatar Foundation, Qatar*

DAY 2: WEDNESDAY 3 OCTOBER 2018

Session V Policies to support green technology implementation

Chair	<i>Ms. Rahma Ibrahim Al-Mahrooqi, Deputy Vice Chancellor for Postgraduate Studies and Research, Sultan Qaboos University, Oman</i>
Moderator:	Mr. Fawaz El Karmi, Assistant Secretary General, Higher Council for Science & Technology, Jordan
09:00 – 11:00	<p>SDGs and Green Technology: integrated approaches and modelling to support decision making and policy formulation.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Mr. Cameron Allen, Independent Consultant and Expert on SDG implementation, University of New South Wales (UNSW), Sydney, Australia</i> <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Mr. Zaghoul Samhan, Director General, Policies and Planning, Palestinian Environmental Quality Authority, Palestine</i>• <i>Mr. Yousif Muayad Yousif, Manager, International Relations, Environmental Department, Ministry of Health and Environment, Iraq</i>• <i>Ms. Rouida Nahar, Director, Renewable Energies & Cleaner Production, Ministry of Local Administration and Environment, Syrian Arab Republic</i>• <i>Mr. Amin Shaban, Director, the Lebanese National Council for Scientific Research, Lebanon</i>
11:00 – 11:30	Coffee Break

Session VI Consensus implementation: green technology implementation in the agricultural sector

Chair *Ms. Rahma Ibrahim Al-Mahrooqi, Deputy Vice Chancellor for Postgraduate Studies and Research, Sultan Qaboos University, Oman*

Moderator: *Mr. Khaldoun Khashman, Secretary General, Arab Countries Water Utilities Association (ACWUA), Jordan*

11:30 – 13:30

Panelists:

- *Mr. Nizar Haddad, Director General, National Agricultural Research Center (NARC), Jordan*
- *Mr. Bassam Hayek, Team Leader & Coordinator, Energy for Water, GIZ, Jordan*
- *Mr. Ihab Jomaa, Head, Department of Irrigation & Agrometeorology, Lebanese Agriculture Research Institute, Lebanon*
- *Mr. Ahmed El Hadj, Assistant Director, the Higher Institute of Technological Education, Mauritania*
- *Mr. Mohamad Afaneh, Director, Policy & Development, Ministry of Environment, Jordan*
- *Mr. Suhaib Ababneh, ESCWA Technology Centre, Jordan*
- *Mr. Mohammad Al Faqeh, ESCWA Technology Centre, Jordan*

13:30 – 14:30

Lunch Break

Session VII Consensus implementation: green technology implementation in the industrial sector

Chair *Ms. Rahma Ibrahim Al-Mahrooqi, Deputy Vice Chancellor for Postgraduate Studies and Research, Sultan Qaboos University, Oman*

Moderator: *Ms. Rouida Nahar, Director, Renewable Energies & Cleaner Production, Ministry of Local Administration and Environment, Syrian Arab Republic*

14:30 – 16:00

Panelists

- *Ms. Hala El Kady, Prof. & Head, Engineering Division, National Research Center, Egypt*
- *Jehan Haddad, Manager, Air Studies, Royal Scientific Society, Jordan*
- *Mr. Ayad Jalloul, Director, R&D Department, Arab Industrial Development and Mining Organization (AIDMO), Morocco*
- *Mr. Abdelilah Benyoussef, Director, Materials and Nanomaterials Center, Moroccan Foundation for Advanced, Science, Innovation and Research, Morocco*
- *Ms. Batoool Al-Mulaji, Expert of SME Development & Supervisor for Green Help Desk, Public Authority of SME Development, Oman*
- *Mr. Sari Hanafi, Founder & Director, Issam Fares Institute for Public Policy and International Affairs, Lebanon*

16:00 – 16:15

Coffee Break

Closing Session Discussion on the work program for 2019

Chair: Elected 6th ETC Technical Committee Meeting Chairperson
Ms. Rahma Ibrahim Al-Mahrooqi, Deputy Vice Chancellor for Postgraduate Studies and Research, Sultan Qaboos University, Oman

Co-Chair: Ms. Reem Nejdawi, Executive Director, ESCWA Technology Centre, Jordan

16:15 – 17:15 This session will distill outcomes from the previous sessions' discussions and offer an open platform for developing proposed forward path for ETC for 2019. This concluding session should deliver priority themes for collaborative work among ETC stakeholders in the Arab countries, as well as opportunities for partnerships and resource mobilization.

Conclusion and Way forward