

### I. **2013 – 2014 Achievements: Highlights of Key Activities since 19<sup>th</sup> RCM**

- Following the launch of the regional MDG report 2013:
  - All information and resources related to Arab MDGs Report and data sets, media articles, press clips and launches are accessible at a dedicated ESCWA website <http://www.escwa.un.org/sites/arabmdg13/>
- Online application of the Arab MDG Report for IOS and Android systems (launched in November 2014) for wider and easier open access.
- RCM members contributed to “Sustainable Development Goals...An Arab Regional Perspective”, which was presented in the HLF on Sustainable Development in Amman during 1-4 April 2014 (<http://www.escwa.un.org/information/meetingdetails.asp?referenceNUM=3315e>).

### II. **Summary of Key Challenges Faced: Substantive and Procedural**

- Lack of latest data for all indicators, particularly for the countries in conflict, such as Syria. Solution was to use estimated data and projections where relevant, and use available sources.

### III. **Main Activities and Outputs Planned for 2015**

- Update of MDG database for Arab countries;
- New Workplan as part of revised ToRs.

### IV. **Decisions Requested from the Members of the RCM**

- Expanding the scope of the TWG to include SDGs/post-2015 work. Revised draft ToRs are included as Annex.