



A Twinning Partnership: Reconstruction & Development

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On 23-24 November 2017, the Union of Arab Banks and ESCWA co-organized, under the aegis of the H.E. Saad El Hariri, Prime Minister of Lebanon, the 2017 Arab Banking Conference entitled “Twinning Partnerships: Reconstruction and Financing for Development”.

Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), including Arab investor unions and entrepreneurship associations, Arab Banks and Regional Development Funds; Sovereign Wealth Funds, Regional and International institutions.

In this context, the conference highlighted:

- The role of Arab banks in financing both reconstruction and sustainable development, through long-term mechanisms that exploit bank liquidity surpluses;
- The need for new and innovative regional financing frameworks;
- Arab sovereign funds ability to provide critical liquidity requirements and investments for financing development;
- Estimating the region’s financing gaps, needs and the challenges facing financial management in the region;
- The need to develop legislative rules that foster economic, banking and long-term productive investments.



The conference offered a valuable platform to discuss reconstruction and financing for development needs and requirements. It focused on drawing a roadmap for all actors and stakeholders involved in reconstruction and financing the 17

This year’s conference was unique for the discussions that opened pathways for regional cooperation to bridge the reconstruction needs of war-torn economies while financing the regions development exigencies and the 2030 Agenda.

