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**PROGRESS ACHIEVED IN THE FIELD OF STATISTICS
SINCE THE TENTH SESSION OF THE STATISTICAL COMMITTEE**

LIST OF MEETINGS

2013

1. IEA-UNESCWA Energy Statistics Training, Abu Dhabi, UAE, 17-20 February, 2013
2. Workshop on Results of ICT indicators Survey in the Business Sector in Iraq 25-28 March 2013 ESCWA Beirut
3. Workshop on Remittances with IMF Jordan 24-25 April
4. Workshop on ICP-National Accounts Istanbul April 29- May 3, 2013
5. National Workshop on Energy Statistics Sudan 9-13 June 2013
6. Expert Group Meeting on Evaluation of Population Census Data in the Arab Countries, Beirut – Lebanon, 12-13 June 2013
(<http://www.escwa.un.org/information/meetingdetails.asp?referenceNum=2817E>)
7. National Seminar on Developing a Programme for the Implementation of the 2008 SNA and Supporting Statistics in Jordan UNSD UNESCWA and DOS 23 June 2013, Amman, Jordan
8. High Level meeting and Regional Seminar on the Implementation of 2008 SNA and Supporting Statistics in the Arab Region 24-27 June 2013 (ESCWA-UNSD-AITRS) Amman, Jordan
9. Workshop on Environment and Energy Statistics, Amman, Jordan, 8-12 September 2013 UNSD-AITRS-ESCWA
10. Expert Group Meeting on International Migration Statistics in the Arab Countries, Beirut - Lebanon, 23-24 September 2013
11. Workshop on Industrial Classifications ESCWA UNSD AIDMO and GOIC Doha Qatar 30 Sep 2 Oct 2013:
12. Bureau of the ESCWA Statistics Committee, 12/12 - 12/12/2013 Amman
13. Regional Cooperation in Geospatial Information Management, 7/2-7/2/2013, Doha
14. Training on Gender Analysis of Population Census Data, Amman, 7/3-9/3/2013

2014

1. Training workshop in population projection in National Bureau of Statistics, United Arab Emirates, 14016 January 2014
2. International Comparison Program meeting for launching the ICP results of the 2011 round, February 17-19 EGM on Price statistics for regional integration 20 February Istanbul
3. Working Group of Heads of National Statistical Offices in the ESCWA Region
4. TOT and Regional Meeting on Energy Statistics and Balance GSS-Stat- ESCWA- IEA -UNSD, 9 to 13 March 2014, Muscat Oman with GCC Stat, UNSD, IEA

5. Workshop on National Accounts Statistics (NAS) with IMF March 23, 2014-April 3, 2014 (2 Weeks) Kuwait City, Kuwait.
6. Workshop on Energy Statistics and Energy Balance 27 April to 1 May, 2014 , Cairo
7. National Training on Energy Statistics, Erbil, Iraq 6/1/2014 to 6/6/2014
8. Expert Group Meeting on Measuring Multi Dimensional Poverty in the Arab Region, Beirut - Lebanon, 7-8 August 2014
9. Arab meeting on Sustainable Development Indicators in collaboration with LAS, UNEP, AGEDI, in Cairo from 12 to 14 October 2014
10. Regional workshop on implementation of the international standard industrial classification for all economic activities (ISIC rev.4) for Arab countries, with the Arab Institute for Training and Statistical Research (AITRS), the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO), the United Nations Statistics Division (UNSD), in Amman, Jordan, from 28 September to 1 October 2014.
11. Workshop on “Revision 3 of Principles and Recommendations for Population and Housing Censuses and Census Evaluation”, Amman – Jordan, 19-23 October 2014
12. Regional meeting for the extrapolation of PPP estimates for 2012 and 2013 based on the PPP results of the 2011 ICP round - December 8-11, 2014 - Istanbul, Turkey
13. Meeting on Energy Balance and End Use in the Transport Sector Amman Jordan 22-23 December 2014
14. Training workshop on demographic methods for assessing the completeness of death registration, Cairo - Egypt, 15-18 December 2014
15. UN-GGIM for Arab States (Initial meeting for the regional committee of UN-GGIM for Arab states), Amman, 5-6 February 2014
16. Regional Workshop on Integrating a Gender Perspective in the Production of Statistics, in cooperation with the Department of Statistics, Jordan, 1/12-4/12/2014
17. Workshop on Development of Gender Indicators in the Arab Countries, Istanbul, 1/4-3/4/2014
18. Inter-regional workshop on good practices in gender statistics, Aguascalientes, Mexico, 5/11-7/11/2014

2015

1. Regional Workshop on the Compilation of Trade in Services Statistics, WTO, AMF, UNSD and UN ESCWA, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates. 25-28 January 2015

LIST OF ADVISORY MISSIONS

1. Technical assistance to the Dubai Statistics. Center to follow up on the progress made on the producers price index, industrial production index and to help in initializing price indices for the cost of material , Dubai, 3-13 Jan. 2013
2. Technical assistance to DOS on the first steps toward the implementation of SNA in Amman, Jordan during the period 3-15 March 2013.
3. IMF/METAC/ESCWA workshop on asymmetries in bilateral remittances in Amman (24-25/4) and in the regional workshop on industrial statistics in Riyadh (29/4 to 30/4)and in the ICP workshop in Istanbul (1/5 to 3/5)
4. Participate in the data initiative on quality and access (DIQA) workshop which will be held in France, Marseille during the period 4-5 July 2013.
5. Technical assistance to the department of Statistics in Jordan to help in compilation of quarterly and annually indicators, Amman from 14-25 July 2013
6. Participation in the regional training workshop on industrial statistics for the Arab countries in cooperation with AIDMO, GOIC and UNSD, in Doha, Qatar from 30 September to 2 October 2013 (amended to approve advance)
7. Mission to the ministry of planning (28-31 Jan) and will provide a technical assistance to CAPMAS on 2008 SNA implementation (1 to 4 Feb)
8. Training jointly with IMF statistics department on National Accounts and present ESCWA's countries status of implementation of 2008 SNA from 23/3 to 3/4 March 2014 in Kuwait

9. Global meeting on civil registration and vital statistics to discuss with partners, cooperation in investment and acceleration of joint work on strengthening the CVRS in the region, Addis Ababa 28-29 April 2014
10. Workshop in Amman in collaboration with AITRS in Input Output Tables from 20 to 24 April 2014
11. A technical assistance in reviewing the system of social and demographic statistics .identifying gaps and needs to develop the system and discuss future plan. National Bureau of Statistic, UAE, Abu Dhabi, 26-30 May 2014
12. Workshop on the upcoming Jordan Population and Housing Census 5-6 May 2014.
13. First meeting on Civil Registration and Vital Statistics in the League of Arab States in Cairo, 20-22 May, 2014.
14. Mission to assess the CPI indices and provide recommendations how to compile other price and volume indices with new base yr probably 2010 and help DOS in compiling early warning indicators, Amman, 25-29 May 2014
15. Mission on STI to Egypt, Tunisia, Jordan
16. A technical assistance service mission to Palestinian Central bureau of Statistics in multi dimensional poverty work, 19-30 October 2014.
17. Mission to Tunisia on Energy balance 10 November 2014
18. Mission to UAE on Prices and national Accounts 15-19 December 2014

LIST OF PUBLICATIONS DURING, 2013-2014

See: <http://data.escwa-stat.org> to access the e-Publications portal of the ESCWA Statistics Division

2013

Compendium of Environment Statistics in the Arab Region 2012-2013

Arab Society: A Compendium of Social Statistics: (E/ESCWA/SD/2013/13)

A Study of Age Reporting in Some Recent Arab Censuses: (E/ESCWA/SD/2013/5)

Bulletin on Population and vital statistics in the ESCWA region, Issue No. 16 (E/ESCWA/SD/2013/8)

Study on Selected Methodological Issue in Economic Statistics: Short-Term Economic Indicators for The Arab Region

External Trade Bulletin of the Arab Region - Issue 22

National Accounts Bulletin - Issue 33

Statistical Abstract of the Arab Region - Issue 33

Quarterly Inflation Outlook

ICP Newsletter for the Western Asia region

Report on the extent of 2008 SNA implementation in the Arab region. E/ESCWA/SD/Background Paper 2.

Support for Implementation Strategy for 2008 SNA and Economic Statistics in the Arab Region.
<http://css.escwa.org.lb/sd/2163/21-1.pdf> . High-Level meeting and Regional Seminar on the Implementation
2008 SNA and Supporting Statistics in the Arab Region, 24-27 June 2013, Amman, Jordan

2014

ESCWA Country Profiles 2014

Key Energy Statistics E/ESCWA/SD/2014/pamphlet.1

Study on Selected Methodological Issue in Economic Statistics 2014: Guidelines for Compilation of Supply
and Use Tables in the Arab Countries and Data Sources E/ESCWA/SD/2014/technicalpaper.2

A Study on: International Migration Statistics and Measurement Issues in Arab Countries

External Trade Bulletin of the Arab Region - Issue 23

National Accounts Bulletin - Issue 34

Statistical Abstract of the Arab Region - Issue 34

Quarterly Inflation Outlook

ICP Newsletter for the Western Asia region

e-Bulletin Gender in Figures

GIsIn Manual on Gender Statistics

PROJECTS CONTINUING IN 2013 AND STARTING 2014

Project on Short-term Indicators for the Arab Region 2014-2016
Regional Project on Strengthening National Capacities in Energy Statistics and Energy Indicators
(<http://www.escwa.un.org/esab/>)

International Comparison Program - ICP
(<http://www.escwa.un.org/icp2011/index.asp>)

UNFPA Project: Strengthening national capacities in social statistics and preparedness for the upcoming
ICPD@20

Scaling up the global initiative on the implementation of the System of National Accounts and supporting
statistics (<http://unstats.un.org/unsd/nationalaccount/aeg/2013/M8a-23.pdf>)

Promoting the use of statistical information in support of progress towards internationally agreed
development goals in the Arab Region