



June 2020 – December 2020

Periodic Report - Fatema Frutan

Regional Facilitator of Major Groups and Stakeholders for West Asia



Fatima Frutan

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June 2020:

3rd June: Fatema Frutan won in the UNEP elections as Regional Facilitator of major groups and stakeholders in the West Asia region by majority vote

7th – 10th June: Fatema Frutan attended UNEP Digital Forum “Act for Nature”

9th June: Fatema Frutan attended the closed meeting of the United Nations Environment Office of representatives of major groups and stakeholders, in preparation for the UNEA 5 annual meeting.

15th June: Fatema Frutan Sent her comments and additions regarding the major groups report, in which she focused on:

- Encouraging partnerships between non-governmental organizations, government agencies and the private sector to cooperate in raising awareness about the effects of microplastics and providing more sustainable ways to deal with plastics, especially with individuals.
- Encouraging sustainable methods as an alternative to traditional methods of dealing with disease and pandemic, ie masks and gloves

15th June: Fatema Frutan participated in the UN DESA 2020 Questionnaire to participate in a brief survey of their publications. She put forward some proposals that would contribute to a better understanding of the needs of the Arab region and provide them with more effective ways to obtain the highest level of information and analysis on issues of economic, social, and sustainable development.

16th June: Fatema Frutan attended UNEP representatives and regional representatives of major groups and stakeholders meeting via Skype

21st June: Fatema Frutan and Tareq Hassan met to set the priorities and action plan for the region.

July 2020

1st July: Arab Union hosted Fatema Frutan as a guest speaker to talk about the mechanism used to build international partnerships and enhance innovation in the environment sector.

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13th July: Fatema Frutan and Tareq Hassan met as RF to discuss the preparation for RCM and to arrange a meeting with UNEP Regional Office in Bahrain.

23rd July: Fatema Frutan met with Ms. Noora Isyan from UNEP Regional Office in Bahrain to arrange for RCM of West Asia.

August 2020:

13th August: RFs Fatema Frutan and Tareq Hassan arranged the first virtual meeting for West Asia Accredited NGOs via Skype to discuss the “Priorities and Challenges of West Asia Major Groups Stakeholders”

September 2020:

1st September: Fatema Frutan attended UNEP representatives and regional representatives of major groups and stakeholders meeting via Skype

23rd September: RFs Fatema Frutan and Tareq Hassan met to prepare for the meeting with Mr. Sami Dymasi the Regional Manager of UNEP Bahrain office

30th September: RFs Fatema Frutan and Tareq Hassan met with Mr. Sami Dymasi the Regional Manager of UNEP Bahrain office to prepare for RCM of West Asia.

October 2020

1st October: Fatema Frutan filled the survey about the Global Environment Outlook future consultations.

1st October: Fatema Frutan participated in the consultation on changing the nature of the annual meeting and the format UNEA-5 in light of the Coronavirus pandemic.

5th October: Fatema Frutan attended UNEP representatives and regional representatives of major groups and stakeholders meeting via Skype

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8th October: Fatema Frutan attended the meeting with UNEP Presidential Office with the representatives of UNEP and regional representatives of major groups and stakeholders.

12th – 16th October: Fatema Frutan participated in the annual sub-committee meeting of UNEP

20th October: Fatema Frutan attended Major Groups and Stakeholder Committee meeting with Ms. Inger Henderson, Chief Executive of the UNEP Office.

21st October: RFs Fatema Frutan and Tareq Hassan arranged the second virtual meeting for West Asia Accredited NGOs via Skype to discuss the regions vision

November 2020:

6th November: Fatema Frutan attended UNEP representatives and regional representatives of major groups and stakeholders meeting via Skype

8th November: RFs Fatema Frutan and Tareq Hassan met with Laetitia Zobel and Sabin Saker to arrange for West Asia RCM and capacity building programs

11th November: RFs Fatema Frutan and Tareq Hassan sent questionnaire for West Asian accredited organizations designated by the United Nations Environment Program on the handbook for organizing group work and priorities of the region

18th November: RFs Fatema Frutan and Tareq Hassan, Laetitia Zobel and Sabin Saker met with West Asia accredited NGOs to explain UNEP Handbook.

December 2020:

1st December: Fatema Frutan attended UNEP representatives and regional representatives of major groups and stakeholders meeting via Skype

3rd December: In preparation for UNEA 5 RFs Fatema Frutan and Tareq Hassan met with Laetitia Zobel to arrange for West Asia RCM

7th December: Continuous preparation for UNEA 5 RFs Fatema Frutan and Tareq Hassan met with Laetitia Zobel to arrange for West Asia RCM

8th December: Moderated West Asia RCM.

15th December: Fatema Frutan attended UNEP representatives and regional representatives of major groups and stakeholders meeting via Skype

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28th – 29th December: Following the regional consultative meeting of major groups and stakeholders of the West Asia region accredited to the United Nations Environment Program, a major group and stakeholder statement for the West Asia region was sent to the UNEP office.

30th December: Fatema Frutan met with Mr. Faisal from Saudi Arabia, to clarify some points on the mechanism of action.

31st December: Fatema Frutan Sent the periodic report of Bahrain Women Association - for Human Development and her report as Regional Facilitators to the UNEP Office.