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## Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (ESCWA)

Fourteenth Regional Training Workshop on Capacity Development for Climate Change Negotiations for the Arab Countries MENA Climate Week, Dubai, 29 – 30 March 2022

## Agenda

Day 1 – Tuesday, 29 March 2022		
14:00-14:15	Registration of participants	
14:15-14:45	Opening statements and introductions	
	<ul> <li>Ms. Carol Chouchani Cherfane, Climate Change and Natural Resources Sustainability Cluster Leader, United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (ESCWA)</li> </ul>	
	• Mr. Sami Dimassi, Director and Regional Representative, West Asia Office, United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)	
	• Mr. Bisher Imam, Regional Hydrologist, UNESCO Regional Bureau for Science in the Arab State	
	<ul> <li>Mr. Ayman Shasly, Chair of the Arab Group on Climate Change, Advisor for International Policies, Ministry of Energy, Industry and Mineral Resources, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia (KSA)</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Mr. Mahmoud Fathallah, Director of Environmental and Meteorological Affairs, League of Arab States, Egypt</li> </ul>	
	Introduction of participants and overview of the workshop agenda	
	- Mr. Tarek Sadek, Water Resources and Climate Change Officer, ESCWA	
Session I	<b>Overview of Current Negotiation Status and Outcomes of COP 26</b>	
	Moderator: Mr. Mahmoud Fathallah, League of Arab States, Egypt	
14:45-15:15	Overview of main negotiation issues at COP 26 and outcomes of Glasgow Climate Pact	
	- Ms. Marwa Khan, International Policy Advisor, Ministry of Energy, Industry and Mineral Resources, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia	
15:15-15:45	Discussion	
Session II	Updates on Article 6, Carbon Markets and Mitigation Ambition	
	Moderator: Mr. Ayman Shasly, Chair of the Arab Group, KSA	

15:45-16:45	Article 6.2 Guidance on cooperative approaches Article 6.4 Rules, modalities and procedures for the mechanism Article 6.8 Work programme under the framework for non-market approaches
	- Mr. Perumal Arumugam, Team Leader, Regulatory Development Unit (MRV), Sustainable Development Mechanisms Programme (SDM) - UNFCCC
16:45-17:15	Discussion
17:15-17:30	Break
Session III	Updates on Response Measures and Adaptation in NDC's
	Moderator: Mr. Taha Amimi, Administrator, Climate Change Division, Ministry of Energy Transition and Sustainable Development, Morocco
17:30-18:00	Workplan of and updates on the Forum on the impact of the implementation of response measures and the Katowice Committee of Experts (KCI)
	- Mr. Albara Tawfic, Ministry of Energy, Industry and Mineral Resources, KSA
18:00-18:15	Discussion
18:15-18:30	Adaptation in the water sector and in the Nationally Determined Contributions (NDC's) - Mr. Bisher Imam, Acting Director, UNESCO
18:30-18:45	Discussion
18:45-19:00	Wrap up and end of day 1
	Day 2 – Wednesday, 30 March 2022
Session IV	Updates on the Enhanced Transparency Framework (ETF)
	Moderator: Mr. Tarek Al-Khoury, Resource Efficiency Regional Coordinator, UNEP-West Asia Office
09:00 - 09:30	Guidance for operationalizing the modalities, procedures, and guidelines (MPGs) for the Enhanced Transparency Framework (ETF) and operationalization of flexibility
	- Ms. Marwa Khan, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia
	Capacity building programme on ETF for the Arab countries
	- Mr. Jigme/ Ms. Tugba Icmeli, Programme Manager, Transparency Division, UNFCCC
09:30 - 09:45	Discussion

Session V	Updates on Climate Finance
	Moderator: Mr. Mohamed Ahmedoua, Secretary-General, Ministry of Environment and Sustainable Development, Mauritania
09:45-10:00	Long-term finance goal: existing 100 billion USD goal and new collective quantified post-2025 goal
	- Mr. Mohammed Nasr, Head of Sustainable Development Affairs,
	Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Egypt
10:00-10:15	Latest developments on GCF, GEF and Standing Committee on Finance (SCF)
	- Mr. Ayman Shasly, Chair of the Arab Group
10:15-10:30	Activities of the Arab Center for Climate Change Policies: A Technical
	Note on Implementation of Paris Agreement in the Arab region
	-Mr. Tarek Sadek, Water Resources and Climate Change Officer, ESCWA
10:30-11:00	-Ms. Aya Ibrahim, Research Assistant on Climate Change Policies, ESCWA Discussion
10.30-11.00	
Session VI	Updates on Koronivia Joint Work on Agriculture and Technology and Climate Actions in the Arab Region and Way Forward to COP 27
	Moderator: Mr. Yousef A.H. Abuasad, Director-General, Palestinian Meteorological Office, Ministry of Transport, Palestine
11:00-11:15	Updates on Koronivia Joint Work on Agriculture and Technology
	- Ms. Hanadi Awadalla Official Forests Officer, Department of Afforestation and Re-forestation, Ministry of Agriculture and Forests, Khartoum, Sudan
11:15-11:30	A case study: NDC actions project in Jordan
	<ul> <li>Ms. Sarah Alhaleeq, Head of Adaptation Division, Climate Change Directorate, Ministry of Environment, Jordan.</li> </ul>
11:30-11:45	The role of the circular economy in climate mitigation and some
	reflections on the second part of IPCC Sixth Assessment Report
	Mr. Tarak Al Khoum, UNED Wast Asia Office
11:45-12:00	- Mr. Tarek Al-Khoury, UNEP-West Asia Office Discussion
12:00-12:30	Way forward to the COP 27 and closing remarks-Mr. Ayman Shasly, Chair of Arab Negotiation Group
12:30-13:30	<b><u>Closed meeting by the members of the Arab Negotiation Group</u></b>