



**UNITED NATIONS**  
**Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (ESCWA)**

**Expert Group Meeting on Monitoring and Evaluation  
Tools for Implementing Aid for Trade Projects in the Arab Region  
Hammamet, Tunisia, 12-13 December 2013**

**DRAFT PROVISIONAL AGENDA**

**Day One: Thursday, 12 December 2013**

- 8.30 – 9.00 a.m.     **Registration**
- 9.00–9.30 a.m.     **Session One: Opening and Introduction (ESCWA)**
- Introduction, structure and objectives of the Expert Group Meeting
  - Update on project implementation since workshop held in Marakesh
- 9.30–10.30 a.m.     **Session Two:**
- Assessing AfT in the Arab region (OECD)
  - Outcomes of the Fourth Global Review of AfT: "Connecting to value chains" and outlook on future AfT work (WTO)
  - Q&A; discussion
- 10:30 – 11.00 a.m.     Break
- 11.00     a.m–12.30 **Session Three:**  
p.m.
  - Guidelines for formulating bankable AfT projects and the importance of M&E in the project cycle (ESCWA Consultant)
  - Q&A; discussion
- 12.30 – 1.30 p.m.     Lunch Break
- 1.30 – 3.30 p.m.     **Session Four:**
- M&E of AfT (ESCWA Consultant):
    - i)     theory of change, intervention logic and performance frameworks
    - ii)    indicators and benchmarking
  - Q&A; discussion
- 3.30 – 4.00 p.m.     Break
- 4.00 – 5.00 p.m.     **Session Five:**
- Wrap-up from day 1 and guidance for day 2 (ESCWA)

**Day Two: Friday, 13 December 2013**

9.00 – 10.30 a.m.    **Session Six:**

- The whole project cycle: a case from Yemen (ESCWA)
- Q&A; discussion

10.30 – 11.00 a.m.    Break

11.00 a.m.– 1.00 p.m.    **Session Seven:**

- Enhanced integrated framework (WTO)
- M&E of AfT requirements and best practices by bilateral, regional and multilateral development Banks and cooperation agencies
- Q&A; discussion

1.00 – 2.00 p.m.    Lunch break

2.00 – 3.00 p.m.    **Session Eight:**

- M&E experiences from recipients: Representatives from member countries
- Q&A; discussion

3.00 – 3.30 p.m.    **Break**

3.30 - 4.15 p.m.    **Session Nine:**

- Conclusion and next steps (ESCWA)
- Closing

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