Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia

3rd Meeting of the Inter-agency and Expert Group on Gender Statistics (IAEGM_GS) in the Arab Countries
Beirut, 14-16 November 2011

Annotated Provisional Agenda
Monday, 14 November
Morning session
8:30 A.M. – 4:30 P.M.

8:00 Registration
8:30 A.M. – 9:15 A.M.

1. Opening
   • Welcome and introductory remarks
   • Adoption of Agenda

9:15 A.M. – 1:00 P.M.
2. Session I: Review of gender statistical work carried out since the 2nd IAEGM on Gender Statistics (GS)
   • Regional implications of the UN Statistical Commission 42nd session on GS at the global and regional work programme (ESCWA)
   • Progress made on GS related-activities in the period between the 2nd and 3rd IAEGM including implementation of recommendation of the 2nd IAEGM on GS in Arab Countries (E/ESCWA/SD/2011/WG.1/4)
   • Progress made by national and regional entities on activities and recommendations of the 2nd IAEG on GS in Arab Countries in the area of gender statistics
     o Bahrain
     o Egypt
     o Palestine
     o Syria
     o Sudan
     o Jordan
     o Lebanon

The discussion will provide direction for implementation of the Regional and Global Programmes coordinated by ESCWA and UNSD, respectively, and on the ways in which regional and global initiatives can be coordinated and strengthened. Presentations will also be made by regional and international entities on progress achieved and implementation of recommendations of previous IAEG on GS.
(10:30-11:00 a.m. Coffee Break)
(1:00-2:00 p.m. Lunch Break)

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2:00 P.M. - 4:30 P.M.
3. Session II: Monitoring and reporting on gender issues and concerns
   • The Arab Gender Issues and Indicators - “G IS IN” HANDBOOK (E/ESCWA/SD/2011/WG.1/8)
   • Report on the results of regional assessment of the Arab e-Handbook on GIsIn Framework (E/ESCWA/SD/2011/WG.1/7)
   • Review of GIsIn Handbook at national level (country presentations and proposals)
     o Bahrain
     o Egypt
     o Jordan
     o Lebanon

The discussion will focus on regional and national experience in compiling the data for the GIsIn Framework in accordance with the proposed Handbook, providing data for indicators at two points in time (earliest 1990s and latest 2000s) along with data sources and compliance with the proposed Handbook, with a view to finalize both the Handbook and Framework for regional monitoring of gender statistics.
(3:00-3:15 p.m. Coffee Break)
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4. Session III: Measuring Violence against Women
   - VAW in ESCWA Region (ppt) – Ms. Afaf Almala
   - ILO - GBV@Work: Measuring and Responding to Sexual Harassment at Work (ppt) – Ms. Gudrun Jevne
   - Survey Module on VAW: Toolkit (E/ESCWA/SD/2011/WG.1/6)
   - Measurement of the UN indicators on violence against women (ppt)-Ms. Hennriette Jansen
   - Country presentations on new initiatives
     - Palestine: PCBS experience in implementing violence survey 2005-2011
     - Syria: (tbc)
     - Morocco
   - Wiki VAW (ppt) – Ms. Anne-Christine Wanders

The discussion will focus on regional and national experience in measuring violence against women and United Nations effort towards harmonizing and measuring the UN VAW indicators.
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5. Session IV: Women in the Economy
   - FAO - Engendering Agriculture Census & Agri-Gender Toolkit (ppt) – Mr. Salar Tayyib
   - ESCWA - Proposed Methodologies for Measuring Unpaid Domestic Work of Women (E/ESCWA/SD/2011/WG.1/5) – Mr. Omar Hakouz
   - Country experiences
     - Egypt  Women in Development
     - Jordan  Jordanian Women in Agricultural Sector – A gender Perspective
     - Sudan  Women’s Economic Empowerment
   - World Bank activities in the region (ppt) – Mr. Chadi Bou Habib
   - ILO – Measuring informal employment in Yemen from a gender equality and workers’ rights perspective (ppt) – Mr. Mansour Omeira

The discussion will focus on improved methods and country initiatives on valuing and measuring women’s contribution into the economy through unpaid work, agriculture, informal sector etc.
(3:00-3:15 P.M. Coffee Break)
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6. Session V: Capacity Building Activities and Outputs
   - Catalogue on Gender Statistics Activities in the Arab Countries (E/ESCWA/SD/2011/WG.1/2)
   - A Gender Term Dictionary – second revision (E/ESCWA/SD/2011/WG.1/3)
   - Making Numbers Meaningful (ppt) - Ms. Anne-Christine Wanders
   - Country presentations/ briefings
     - Yemen Weakness of Gender Statistics Production in Yemen
     - Sudan Engendering Census-Sudan 5th Census 2008

7. Session V: Adoption of recommendations and closing

   (10:30-11:00 a.m. Coffee Break)
   (1:00-2:00 p.m. Lunch Break)

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8. 2nd meeting of the Task Force on Gender Statistics in the Arab Countries
   - Review of accomplishments
   - Formulating new working groups
   - Road Map

   (3:00-3:15 P.M. Coffee Break)

Link to the Meeting site: