ESCWA Gulf Stat Training for trainers on Energy Statistics and balance in the Arab region, Muscat, Blu Radisson, Oman

9-13 March, 2014

INFORMATION NOTE FOR PARTICIPANTS

I. MEETING, LANGUAGE AND WORKSHOP VENUE

The above workshop, taking place from 9-13 March, 2014, in Muscat, Oman
- There will be simultaneous interpretation in both English and Arabic languages.

II. BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE OF THE MEETING

Energy data represents a basic input to all sectoral and national development plans, particularly in ESCWA member countries where energy sector has a vital role in the economic and social development. However, the quality of energy statistics in most of ESCWA countries still needs capacity building to meet the appropriate statistical requirements for formulating national development plans and international reporting. ESCWA member countries face several problems concerning the availability and overall quality of data on energy. Therefore, ESCWA is implementing a project to strengthen national capacity in developing energy statistics and balance in ESCWA member countries to enhance the capacity of national officials on compiling statistics on supply and use by all sectors for all energy sources as well as for harmonising the definitions and classification and produce yearly energy balance.

The objective of this meeting organised by the GCC STAT, UN Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (ESCWA) in collaboration with IEA and the United Nations Statistics Division (UNSD), is to provide advanced training for trainers on energy statistics including oil, natural gas, electricity and renewable energies, to advocate for in-house training to build capacity of national teams working on energy statistics.

For more information please contact Ms. Wafa Aboul Hosn, Chief of the Economic Statistics Section at the Statistics Division at aboulhosn@un.org.

III. TRANSPORTATION

- Delegates are kindly requested to arrange their own transportation from Muscat Airport to the Hotel.

IV. ACCOMMODATION

- Participants will be staying in hotel Blu Radisson.
- It is imperative that hotel reservations are made as early as possible in Muscat.

VI. FOREIGN EXCHANGE

- The exchange rate is 1 Omani Rial = 2.6 US$
VII. VISA
- All delegates attending the meeting are requested to have a valid passport and, if required, a visa. Applications for visas must be made as soon as possible to the Oman Embassy in the country in which the delegates reside, with a reference to the Workshop.
- GCC stat can facilitate issuance of visa by sending a personalized letter of invitation upon request.

Overview & Venue

Title: ESCWA Gulf stat training for trainers on Energy Statistics and balance in the Arab region.
Date: 9-13 March 2014
Venue: Radisson Blu.
Hosted by: GCC stat

VIII. GENERAL INFORMATION
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