## Day 1 - 16/06/2009

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<td>Sherif Seddik (Regional Director, Microsoft North Africa, East Mediterranean &amp; Pakistan); Hani Raad (Regional Sales Manager - Cisco Lebanon); Rakan Razouk (President - SCS Syria); Khaled Khawaja (Chief Expert - AITRS); Yousef Nusseir (Chief, ICTD - UN-ESCWA)</td>
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### Regional ICT Strategies (Chair: Badre Mounajed)

- **Khaled Foda (LAS):** Arab ICT Strategy - Building the Information Society until 2012
- **Mohamed Abdel Wahab (Arab Business Forum for ICT - Egypt):** Arab ICT Strategies for ICT Services
- **Mamoun Farah & Raoua Mourada (UN-ESCWA):** Status of the Regional Plan of Action (RPDA)
- **Mohamed Timoulali (UN-ECA):** Implementing the World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS) Action Lines in Africa: Analysis of Country Reports

### Security & Trust (Chair: Marwa Obisso)

- **Hoda Baraka & Nevine Tewfik (Ministry of Communications and Information Technology - Egypt):** Towards an E-Safety Agenda in the Arab World
- **Belhassen Zouari (National Agency for Computer Security - Tunisia):** Tunisian Experience in Establishing the First CSIRT in Africa
- **Nidal Idib (UN-ESCWA):** Building Trust in ICT Services
- **Nadia Hegazi (Ministry of Communications and Information Technology - Egypt):** Job Creation in the Information Society

### ICT for Development (Chair: Babak Mohseni)

- **Bachir Mounajed (Chairman - UN-GAID; Chairman & CEO - TAGII;):** Towards an E-Safety Agenda in the Arab World
- **Marco El-Sharkawy (Center for Documentation of Cultural and Natural Heritage - Egypt):** Documentation of the Arab World Memory - Status and Future
- **Nicholas Rouhan (Brytich - Lebanon):** Promoting the ICT Sector through Incubation: The Case of Brytich
- **Mohammed Helal (Microsoft North Africa, East Mediterranean and Pakistan):** Microsoft ICT Education Programs

### ICT Sector (Chair: Nabia Hayat)

- **Jawad Jalal Abbassi (Arab Advisors Group - Jordan):** Overview of the Arab Telecom and Internet Broadband Markets
- **Nabil Ali Abdul Aziz (Pico Advanced Multilingual Systems - Egypt):** DAC Industry - A Future Perspective
- **Salim Yamoni (Partnership for Lebanon - Lebanon):** PPP Model - Partnerships for Lebanon
- **Mohammed Helal (Microsoft North Africa, East Mediterranean and Pakistan):** Microsoft ICT Education Programs

### ICT in Education (Chair: Nabia Hayat)

- **Pierre Geldeon (Anoumou University - Lebanon):** Learner-Centered Learning: Personah Life-long E-Learning
- **Youssef Monsef (Lebanese University - Lebanon):** WSIS Recommendations and Readiness of Universities in the ESCWA Region
- **Oumayma Al-Dakkak (HIAST - Syria):** Tools for Arabic Language Processing and Readiness of Universities in the ESCWA Region
- **Ammar Kheir Beik (SCS - Syria):** Summary of the Recommendations of the Damascus DAC Conference

### Digital Arabic Content (Chair: Nabia Hayat)

- **Khalid Khawaja (Chief Expert - AITRS):** Arab ICT Strategies for ICT Services
- **Khaled Khawaja (Chief Expert - AITRS):** Arab ICT Strategies for ICT Services
- **Youssef Monsef (Lebanese University - Lebanon):** WSIS Recommendations and Readiness of Universities in the ESCWA Region
- **Adel Rik (Gumuzlara - UAE):** Implementing E-Learning in Arab Universities: Challenges & Expectations
## Preliminary Agenda

**Day 2 - 17/06/2009**

### ICT Infrastructure

**Chair:** Sami Al-Basheer Al-Mourshid

- Jaroslav Ponder (ITU): Roadmap for ICT Infrastructure Development
- Mohamed Mohsen (Cisco - Lebanon): Next Generation Networks and the "Need to Connect"
- Robert Midri (Mindshare - Lebanon): Convergence of ICT and Media
- Marwan Hanna (STC - Syria): Telecom Infrastructure in Syria
- Mahmoud Shfarif Alshakhilt (Ministry of Science and Technology - Iraq): Government-Wide ICT infrastructure
- Hyeun-Suk Rhee (UN-ESCAP): An Inclusive and Participatory Approach in Building ICT Human Capacity Building for Development

**Panelists:**
- Tarek Shalawi (UNESCO - Cairo Office): Update on WSIS Activities in Arab States in Capacity Building
- Firas Al-Suai (UN-ESCAP): An Inclusive and Participatory Approach in Building ICT Human Capacity Building for Development
- Nooridin Khelfe Obaid (UNDP - Syria Office): Syrian Community Telecentres and their Contribution to Development
- Nasser Khalaf (National IT Center - Jordan): Community Centres for Sustainable Development
- Ahmed Eisa (Hadmade Digital City Organization - Sudan): Impact of Telecentres on Community Development
- Pauline Asil (Cisco - Lebanon): Connected Communities Business Initiative Model in Lebanon

### ICT Applications

**Chair:** Ahmed El-Sherbini

- Marco Obiso (ITU): International Public Policy Issues Related to the Internet and the Role of the Government
- T üzerel (SCANN): The Latest Developments in Issues Related to Internet Governance
- Ibra Ouichele (STE - Syria): Arabic Domain Names: Regional Issues and Activities
- Charles Sharbandy (TARI): Update on the IGF-MAG Work
- George Salama (Ministry of Communications and Information Technology - Egypt): Preparations for IGF Sharm El-Sheikh 2009

**Panelists:**
- Abdelaziz Abid (UNESCO - HQ): The World Digital Library from an Arab Perspective
- Tomasz Janowski (UN University): Electronic Government Development Framework - Assessment, Research, Strategy and Implementation
- Ahmed Kamal (Ministry of State for Administrative Development - Egypt): From e-Government to e-Governance
- Shumay Ayed Al-Rufi (Ministry of Electricity and Water - Kuwait): Implementing an E-safety Agenda in the Region

### Community Telecentres

**Chair:** Ghassan Assi

- Paulette Asaf (Cisco - Lebanon): Connected Communities Business Initiative Model in Lebanon
- Waad Karem (Baladna University - Lebanon): Mal3bar - The Arab Support Centre for Free and Open Source Software
- Rafik Daas (Jordan Computer Society): Graduates Internship Programme
- Marwan Hanna (STC - Syria): Telecom Infrastructure in Syria
- Marwan Hanna (Palestine): Regional Network for ICT Human Capacity Building for Development

**Panelists:**
- Robert Madi (Mindshare - Lebanon): Convergence of ICT and Media
- Marwan Hanna (Palestine): Regional Network for ICT Human Capacity Building for Development
- Georges Younes (UN - ESCWA): Knowledge Networks in Disadvantaged Areas
- George Salama (Ministry of Communications and Information Technology - Egypt): Telecentre.org - A Platform for Collaboration and Cooperation

### Round Table Discussions

**Track 1 - Strategies**

- Jordan, Morocco, Syria, and Tunisia

**Track 2 - Applications**

- Egypt, Jordan, Morocco, Tunisia, and Syria

**Track 3 - Development**

- Morocco, Jordan, Tunisia, and Syria

### New Regional Projects for the RPoA - Subjects Related to Track 1

- Samir Aita (A Concept Mafhoum); Nabil Sukkar (SCBDI - Syria); Muaffaq Anas Tawileh (IDRC); Marwan Tarazi (IDRC); Raed Sharifi (Syracuse University - USA); Sabri Saidaan (Birzeit University - Palestine); Driss Kettani (Al-Akhawan University - Morocco)

**Panelists:**
- Nabil Eid (Studies Centre for Handicapped Research - Syria) and Moussa El-Kaabi (Syria Trust for Development - Syria): Empowering Youth through ICT
- Talal Abu-Ghazaleh (UN-GAID); Sarbuland Khan (UN-GAID); Gabriel Deek (PCA - Lebanon); Yousef Nusseir (UN-ESCWA)
- Hania Sabbidin Dimassi (UN-ESCWA): Electronics Disassembly, Refurbishment and Recycling Centre
- Arabian Tariq (UN-ESCAP): E-learning
- Nabil Eid (Studies Centre for Handicapped Research - Syria) and Moussa El-Kaabi (Syria Trust for Development - Syria): Empowering Youth through ICT

### New Regional Projects for the RPoA - Subjects Related to Track 2

- Nabil Eid (Studies Centre for Handicapped Research - Syria) and Moussa El-Kaabi (Syria Trust for Development - Syria): Empowering Youth through ICT
- Talal Abu-Ghazaleh (UN-GAID); Sarbuland Khan (UN-GAID); Gabriel Deek (PCA - Lebanon); Yousef Nusseir (UN-ESCWA)
- Manufor Farad (UN-ESCAP): Promoting of the Digital Arabic Content (DAC) Industry through Incubation - Phase II
- Haitham Sabloun Dimari (UN-ESCAP): Electronics Disassembly, Refurbishment and Recycling Centre
- Safia Rawia (Youth Leadership - Yemen): Youth in Technology for Community Development

### New Regional Projects for the RPoA - Subjects Related to Track 3

- Nabil Eid (Studies Centre for Handicapped Research - Syria) and Moussa El-Kaabi (Syria Trust for Development - Syria): Empowering Youth through ICT
- Talal Abu-Ghazaleh (UN-GAID); Sarbuland Khan (UN-GAID); Gabriel Deek (PCA - Lebanon); Yousef Nusseir (UN-ESCWA)
- Mansour Farah (UN-ESCWA): Promotion of the Arabic Domain Name System (ADNS) - Phase II
- Nabil Eid (Studies Centre for Handicapped Research - Syria) and Moussa El-Kaabi (Syria Trust for Development - Syria): Empowering Youth through ICT
- Shimaa Ayed Al-Rufi (Ministry of Electricity and Water - Kuwait): Implementing an E-safety Agenda in the Region
- Haitham Sabloun Dimari (UN-ESCAP): Electronics Disassembly, Refurbishment and Recycling Centre
- Yousef Nusseir (UN-ESCWA): Knowledge Networks in Disadvantaged Areas

### Regional Follow-up to the Outcome of the World Summit on the Information Society

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### Additional Information

- Coffee Break (Cisco)
- Lunch Break (Syrian Computer Society)
- Coffee Break (Cisco)
## Regional Follow-up to the Outcome of the World Summit on the Information Society
**Damascus, 16-18 June 2009**

### Preliminary Agenda

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<td>Akram Mohamed Ahmed (Ministry of Science and Technology - Sudan): Sudan's Efforts in Implementing WSIS Outcomes</td>
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- Lunch Break (ESCWA)

#### 14:30-16:00

- GAID Arab Network. Youssef Nusseir (UN-ESCWA)
- RPOA Update: Mansour Farah (UN-ESCWA)

#### 16:00-16:30

- Coffee Break (Cisco)

#### 16:30-17:00

- Closing