

**Agenda of the Regional Workshop on
“Enhancing South – South Cooperation and Public – Private Partnerships in Renewable Energy
Projects for Rural Development”, 27 Nov. 2012,
ESCWA’ Premises, Beirut.**

9:00 – 9:30	Registration
9:30 – 9:40	Opening session: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Welcome speech, - Workshop Agenda and other related logistics
9:40 – 11:10	Session 1: Policies and best practices to promote RE in rural areas. Session Chair: Mr. Hassane Jeber 9:40 – 10:00 Mr. L-C. Miro Baz/ARE: “Accelerating sustainable rural electrification & lessons learned from the Sub-Saharan African region” 10:00 – 10:20 Ms. J. Bouattour/ Tunisia: “RE electrification in remote areas: the realities and prospects”, 10:20 – 10:40 Mr. J. Al Assad/Lebanon:” Sustainable solutions for public street lighting in Lebanon”, LCEC. 10:40 – 11:00 Mr. T. Laabi/ Morocco: “Moroccan strategy of RE- solar power as an appropriate means of rural electrification”. 11:00 – 11:10 Q & A
11:10 – 11:30	Coffee break
11:30 – 13:20	Session 2: Technical aspects relevant to RE projects. Session Chair: Mr. Mohamed Helal 11:30 – 11:50 Mr. G. Osman/ WWEA: “RE Bridging Egypt Water Gap: 2nd river Nile by 2050”, 11:50 – 12:10 Mr. M. Helal/ Egypt:”Desert and solar systems”. 12:10 – 12:30 Mr. J. Jaber & Mr. H. Shukor/EMP, France & EPFL, Switzerland:” CSP potential in Lebanon - a feasibility study based on the parabolic trough & stirling dish technologies”. 12:30 – 12:50 Mr. S. Abo Auf/ Egypt:”PV systems for developing desert communities in Egypt”. 12:50 – 13:10 Mr. A. Khoury/ Lebanon: “Wind energy to develop rural areas”. 13:10 – 13:20 Q & A
13:20 – 14:20	Lunch break
14:20 – 15:50	Session 3: Leveling the ground to promote RE projects in rural areas Session Chair: Mr. Adel Hussain 14:20 – 14:40 Mr. R. Missaoui/ Tunisia:” A pilot project for using RE for irrigation in rural areas”. 14:40 – 15:00 Mr. M. Hajroun/ Morocco: “Rural electrification, the Moroccan experience”. 15:00 – 15:20 Mr. T. Albarakati/ Tunisia:”RE in Tunisian rural areas”. Ms. O. Elgewainy/ Egypt: “Wind farms and desert society’s development in

15:20 – 15:40	Egypt”.
15:40 – 15:50	Q &A
15:50 – 16:10	Coffee break
16:10 – 17:10	Session 4: Financing and Public-Private Partnerships for securing energy services in rural areas. Session Chair: Mr. Mohamed Ekhlat
16:10 – 16:30	Mr. M. Draeck/ UNIDO: “The role of policy frameworks and financing approaches, to demonstrate UNIDO’s work in rural development”.
16:30 – 16:50	Mr. A. Bakkar/ Franc: “Public Private: Electricity PV production”.
16:50 – 17:10	ESCWA: “The importance of Financing and Public-Private Partnerships for securing energy services in rural areas of ESCWA region”.
17:10 – 17:30	Q&A Concluding remarks