



Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (ESCWA)

EGM on Green Agricultural Value Chains for Improving Livelihoods in the Arab Region

20-21 June 2013

UN House, Beirut, Lebanon

AGENDA

Day 1 – Thursday 20 June 2013

08:30 – 09:00 Registration: UN House, Riad El Solh Square (MZ Room)

Opening Session

Moderator: Ms. Roula Majdalani, ESCWA

09:00 – 09:15 **Welcome and Opening Statements**

- Ms. Razan Zuayter, APN
- Mr. Berthold Hansmann, GIZ
- Mr. Nadim Khouri, ESCWA

09:15 – 09:20 **Overview of the Meeting Agenda and the Productive Sectors Section's Activities**
Ms. Reem Nejdawi, ESCWA

Session 1: Promoting Green Agricultural Value Chains for Food Security in the Arab Region

Moderator: Ms. Roula Majdalani, ESCWA

09:20-09:35 Enhancing Food Security in the Arab Region
Mr. Abdul Karim Sadik, Kuwait Fund

09:35-09:50 Arab Region in Global Food Supply Chains
Mr. Martin Keulertz, King's College London, UK

09:50-10:05 Water-Energy-Land Nexus Approach for Creating Opportunities to Improve Agricultural Value Chains
Mr. Taha Ouarda, MASDAR Institute of Science and Technology, UAE

10:05-10:20 ***Discussants*** (5 minutes):
Discussant 1: Ms. Aziza Darghouth, National Observatory of Participatory Citizenship, Tunisia
Discussant 2: Ms. Mariam Al Jaajaa, APN, Jordan

10:20-11:20 **General Discussions**

11:20-11:35 **Coffee Break**

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Session 2: Agricultural Value Chains: Overview, Challenges and Case-Studies

Moderator: *Ms. Razan Zuayter, APN*

11:35-11:55 Presentation of the Draft Report on “Green Agricultural Value Chains for Improved Livelihoods in the Arab Region”
Mr. Fidèle Byiringiro, ESCWA

11:55-12:05 Discussant 1: Value Chains Overview and Challenges
Mr. Rami Zreik, AUB, Lebanon

12:05-12:15 Discussant 2: Value Chains Implementation at Country Level
Mr. Hasan Machlab, ICARDA, Lebanon

12:15-13:00 **General Discussions**

13:00 – 14:00 Lunch Break

Session 3: Framework for a Regional Initiative on Agricultural Value Chains and Breakout Group Discussions

Moderator: *Mr. Mehdi Jaffaar, Environment Society of Oman*

14:00 – 14:15 Framework for a Regional Initiative on Agricultural Value Chains
Ms. Reem Nejdawi, ESCWA

14:15 – 14:20 Discussant:
Mr. Berthold Hansmann, GIZ

14:20 – 14:30 **General Discussions**

14:30 – 15:30 Breakout Group Discussions
- Group 1: Identification of Priority Sectors
- Group 2: Major Actions for Implementation and Contribution from Stakeholders & Regional Institutions
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15:30 – 15:45 Coffee Break

15:45 – 17:00 **Group Discussions (Cont'd)**

End of Day 1

Day 2 – Friday 21 June 2013

Session 4: Presentation of Breakout Group Discussions and Closing Remarks

Moderators: *Ms. Reem Nejdawi & Mr. Fidèle Byiringiro, ESCWA*

09:00 – 10:30 Reporting by Groups (10 minutes/group)
General Discussions

10:30 – 10:45 Closing Remarks ESCWA, GIZ & APN

10:45 – 11:00 Coffee Break
followed by the Second Consultation Meeting of the Arab Network for Food
Sovereignty (ANFS)