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Priorities for Transforming Food Systems in the Arab Region
Tuesday 27 July 2021, 13:30-14:20 pm (Rome time, GMT+2)
Zoom link for registration

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Agenda

13:30-13:40	<p>Welcoming Notes and Identifying Arab Region Priorities</p> <p>Welcome note (3 min) H.E. Prof. Ibrahim El Dukhairi, Director General, AOAD</p> <p>Transforming Food Systems in Arab Region: Outcomes of Regional Dialogue (5 min) Mr. Rami Zurayk, Professor, American University of Beirut, Lebanon</p>
13:40-14:10	<p>Panel Session: Addressing Priorities of the Arab Region</p> <p>Moderator: Dr. Kamel Shideed, Member of the Steering Committee of the HLPE, and former assistant Director General of ICARDA.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Based on the Kuwait National Dialogue what immediate actions are needed to Implement Kuwait priority game changers? Ms. Nawal Al Hamed, Deputy Director General, Public Authority for Food and Nutrition, Kuwait • Based on the Sudan National Dialogue, what immediate actions are needed to implement priority game changers? Ms. Fatima Eltahir Alhassan, Secretary General of the Food Security Technical Secretariat, Sudan • In times of conflict, what immediate actions are needed to enhance the role of youth in transforming food systems? Mr. Tareq Hassan, Head of the Arab Youth Sustainable Development Network • What immediate actions in the Arab region are needed to enhance agriculture and trade in the region?

	<p>Ms. May Serhal, Union of Arab Chambers of Commerce, Industry and Agriculture</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What immediate actions in the Arab region are needed to enhance the food processing industries? <p>Mr. Fadi Jabr, General Secretary, Arab Federation for Food Industries</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Based on the Arab Regional Dialogue, what immediate actions are needed to implement priority game changers in the Arab region? <p>Ms. Jehad Abdullah Alfathel, Member of Shoora Council of Bahrain, Deputy Chairman, Parliamentarian Network for Food Security and Nutrition in Africa and Arab World</p>
14:10-14:15	<p>Arab Initiative for ensuring food security and improving arab food systems</p> <p>Arab food security program</p> <p>Mr. Waheed Mogahed, Advisor for AOAD</p>
14:15-14:20	<p>Closing remarks</p> <p>Regional Cooperation for transforming food systems in arab Region</p> <p>Ms. Reem Nejdawi, Chief, Food and Environment Policies Section, UN- ESCWA</p> <p>Mr. Serge Nakouzi, Deputy Regional Representative for FAO-RNE</p>