









Fifteenth Regional Training Workshop on Capacity Development for Climate Change Negotiations for the Arab Countries

4 – 6 October 2022, Muscat, Sultanate of Oman

Agenda

Day 1 – Tuesday, 4 October 2022		
8:45 – 9:15	Registration of participants at Civil Aviation Authority (Training centre at Civil Aviation Authority premises)	
Workshop Opening under the Auspices of His Excellency Sheikh Khalifa bin Ali Al Harthy, Undersecretary for Diplomatic Affairs at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs		
	Opening Statements and Introductions	
9:15 – 9:45	 Mr. Naif Ali Al-Abri, President, Civil Aviation Authority (CAA), Sultanate of Oman (recorded video message) 	
	 Mr. Tarek Sadek, First Economic Affairs Officer, Water Resources & Climate Change, Arab Centre for Climate Change Policies (ACCCP), ESCWA 	
	Mr. Tarek Alkhoury, Regional Coordinator, Climate Change, UNEP	
	Mr. Bisher Imam, Regional Hydrologist, UNESCO Regional Bureau for Science in the Arab States	
	 Mr. Albara Tawfiq, Chair of the Arab Group on Climate Change, Advisor, Ministry of Energy, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia 	
	 Mr. Mahmoud Fathallah, Director, Department of Environmental and Meteorological Affairs, League of Arab States 	
	Group photo	
	Introduction of participants and overview of workshop agenda	
	- Mr. Tarek Sadek, ESCWA	
Session I	Current Status of Climate Negotiations	
	Moderator: Mr. Mahmoud Fathallah, Director, Department of Environmental and Meteorological Affairs, League of Arab States	
9:45 – 10:00	Overview of main outcomes of Bonn Climate Change Conference June 2022	
	- Ms. Marwa Khan, International Policy Advisor, Ministry of Energy, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia	
10:00 - 10:30	Discussion	
10:30 - 11:00	Group Photo - Coffee break	

	Fostering the Science-Policy Interface in Climate Change	
Session II		
	Moderator: Ms. Badria Mohamadein, Director, Department for Planning and Research, Meteorological Authority, Sudan (tbc)	
11:00 - 11:20	Key findings from the IPCC Sixth Assessment Report	
	- Mr. Tarek Alkhoury, UNEP	
	Role of national meteorological offices in supporting climate-policymaking	
11:20 – 11:40	- Mr. Said Al Sarmi, Senior Meteorological Expert, Civil Aviation Authority (CAA), Sultanate of Oman	
11:40 – 12:00	Informing climate policy in the region through climate predictions: New RICCAR projections in the Mashreq Region	
	- Mr. Tarek Sadek, ESCWA	
12:00 – 12:30	Discussion	
12:30 – 13:30	Lunch Break	
Session III	Update on Response Measures and Technology	
	Moderator: Mr. Ali Al-Adawi, Director of Agricultural Research Centre at North Al-	
13:30 – 13:50	Batinah, Sultanate of Oman. Updates related to the work programme on impacts of response measures	
10.00		
	- Mr. Mohamad Osama Ramadan, Director of Trade and Environment Department, Ministry of Trade and Industry, Egypt	
13:50 – 14:10	Updates on matters related to technology and gender	
13.50 14.10		
	- Ms. Hanadi Awadalla, Senior Governmental Forests Office Director, Forest Extension and Technology Transfer Directorate, Sudan	
14:10 – 14:40	Discussion	
Session IV	Arab Report on Efforts of Arab States in Implementing the Paris Agreement: Agriculture Sector	
14:40 – 16:00	Overview of the report Discussion and feedback	
	- Arab Organization for Agricultural Development (AOAD)	
	Wrap up and end of Day 1	
Day 2 – Wednesday, 5 October 2022		
Session V	Transitioning to the Enhanced Transparency Framework (ETF)	
9:00 – 10:30	- Ms. Tugba Icmeli, Transparency Division, UNFCCC	
	 Overview of latest outcomes on ETF 	
	 Transitioning from MRV to ETF and introduction of the BTR outline and common tabular formats to tracking progress of NDCs 	

	 Case presentations on ETF preparations by the Region Countries Q&A and discussion 	
Session VI	Updates on the Global Stocktake and Mitigation	
	Moderator: Arab Negotiation Group	
10:30 - 11:00	Latest updates on the global stocktake process	
	- Arab Negotiation Group	
11:00 – 11:30	Coffee break	
11:30 am – 12:30	Latest updates on the mitigation work programme	
	- Mr. Vintura Silva, Mitigation Division, UNFCCC (virtual)	
12:30 – 13:00	Discussion	
13:00 – 14:00	Lunch Break	
Session VII	Updates on Adaptation and Finance	
	Moderator: Mr. Mohamed Zmerli, Head of National Climate Change Coordination Unit, Ministry of Environment, Tunisia	
14:00 – 14:20	Update on the Glasgow–Sharm el-Sheikh work programme on the Global Goal on Adaptation	
	- Arab Negotiation Group/UNFCCC	
14:20 – 14:40	Updates on finance-related matters	
	- Mr. Mohammad Ayoub, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia	
14:40 – 15:10	Discussion	
15:10 – 15:40	Arab States Climate Finance Access and Mobilization Strategy 2022–2030	
13:10 – 13:40	- Mr. Mahmoud Fathallah, League of Arab States	
	- Mr. Tarek Sadek, ESCWA	
	- Ms. Aya Ibrahim, Researcher, Arab Centre for Climate Change Policies (ACCCP), ESCWA	
15:40 – 16:00	Discussion	
Wrap up and end of Day 2		
Day 3 – Thursday, 6 October 2022		
Session VIII	Development of Long-term Low Carbon Strategies	
	Moderator: Ms. Layla Sabeel, Senior Environmental Specialist, Supreme Council of Environment, Kingdom of Bahrain	

9:00 - 9:30	Long-term low carbon strategies for energy sector in West Asia
	- Mr. Tarek Alkhoury, UNEP
9:30 – 10:00	Long-term low carbon strategy – Case study of Kuwait
	- Mr. Sherif Khayat, Director of Studies and Research Office, Environment Public Authority, Kuwait
10:00 - 10:30	Discussion
10:30 - 11:00	Break
	Way Forward to COP 27
Session IX	Moderator: Mr. Ahmed Aboulgheit, Second Secretary, Department of Environment, Climate Change and Sustainable Development, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Egypt
11:00 - 11:30	 Early warning systems update on water and climate initiative/Water in the NDC's Mr. Bisher Imam, Regional Hydrologist, UNESCO Regional Bureau for Science in the Arab States (virtual) Q&A and discission
11:30 - 12:00	Preparations and expectations for COP 27 - Mr. Albara Tawfiq, Chair of the Arab Group on Climate Change, Advisor, Ministry of Energy, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia
12:00 –12:15	Discussion
12:15 – 12:30	Closing of Workshop
12:30 – 13:30	Lunch Break
13:30 – 14:30	Visit to the Multi-Hazard Early Warning Centre
14:30 – 16:00	Closed Meeting for the Arab Group of Negotiators - League of Arab States/Arab Negotiation Group