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**Training Workshop on Residential Production Property Index (RPPI)
14-18 August 2017**

Tunisia - Tunis

Work programme of the Workshop

Day 1: Monday 14 August 2017

Time	Topic
8:30-9:00	- Registration of participants
9:00-9:30	- Introduction and objectives of the training; Fathia AbdelFadil-ESCWA - Opening Statement

First Session: Overview of the Status of RPPI in the Arab Region

Chair:

10:00-11:00	Regional Assessment on the availability, methods of compilation and dissemination practices for Residential Property Price Index in the ESCWA region (ESCWA) <i>Discussions</i>
11:00-11:15	Break

Second Session: Price Index Theory and Uses of RPPI

Chair:

11:15-12:15	Overview of price index theory (Mr. Marc Purdhomme) <i>Discussions</i>
12-15-1:00	Purpose and the uses of the Residential Property Price Index (RPPI) (Mr. Marc Purdhomme) <i>Discussions</i>
01:00-01:30	Break
01:30-03:30	Countries’ presentations: - <i>Jordan</i> - <i>Saudi Arabia</i>

	- <i>Oman</i>
	<i>Discussions</i>

Day 2: Tuesday, 15 August 2017

Time	Topic
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Third Session: RPPI Concept, Definition and Source of data

Chair:

09:00 - 10:00	Overview of RPPI Concepts and definitions Data Sources and Methods for compiling RPPI (Mr. Marc Prud'Homme) Discussion
10: 00- 11:00	The importance of alternative data sources for compiling RPPI (Mr. Marc Prud'Homme) - <i>for potential coverage</i> - <i>improve the timeliness</i> - <i>support the quality</i> - <i>improve price measure and weighting</i> Discussions
11:00-11:15	Break

Fourth Session: Setting Data Collection Strategies- round table discussions: Key Speaker: (Mr. Marc Prud'Homme)

Chair:

11:15-12:15	Overview of strategic issues to develop compilation methods in a country Discussions
12:15-01:00	Opportunities and Challenges of setting data collection plans Discussions
01:00-01:30	Break

Fifth Session: Country Experiences

Chair:

01:30-03:30	Tunisia's experience on Compilation of RPPI - <i>Data sources</i> - <i>Questionnaire</i> - <i>Processing and validation of data</i> - <i>Computation methodology</i> Discussions
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Day 3: Wednesday 16 August 2017

Time	Topic
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Six Session: Computation methodologies

Chair:

9:00- 10:00	Simple Mean/ Median Indexes and Mixed adjustment methods (Mr. Marc Prud'Homme)
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Seven Session: Computation methodologies- (Cont'd)

Chair: ESCWA

10:00-11:00	Compilation methodology of Rent
11:00-11:15	Break
11:15-12:00	Empirical examples

Eighth Session: Exercises on Simple Mean/ Median Indexes and Mixed adjustment methods

12:00-01:00	Working groups and exercises
01:00-01:30	Break
01:30 -03:30	Reporting back of the groups Discussions

Day 4: Thursday 17 August 2017

Time	Topic
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Ninth Session: Computation methodologies (Cont'd)

Chair:

9:00- 10:00	Hedonic regression approach and Repeat sales method/ Matched model methodology (Mr. Marc Prud'Homme)
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Tenth Session: Computation methodologies (Cont'd)

Chair: ESCWA

10:00-11:00	Empirical examples
11:00-11:15	Break
11:15-12:00	Empirical examples (<i>cont'd</i>)

Eleventh Session: Exercises on Simple Mean/ Median Indexes and Mixed adjustment methods

12:00-01:00	Working groups and exercises
01:00-01:30	Break
01:30 -03:00	Reporting back of the groups Discussions

Twelfth session: Concluding Remarks

Chair: ESCWA

3:00-3:30	Closing Remarks and the way forward
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Day 5: Friday 18 August 2017

There will be a study Tour to Institut National de la Statistique-Tunisia.

10:00- 1:00	-the New reorganization of the statistical system (statistical law) -System of statistical information (dissemination and the new data portal) - Use of price indicators in the statistics of national accounts
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