

## Regional workshop on the Strategic framework for improving civil registration and vital statistics systems in the Arab region 2021-2025: progress made and way forward

Amman – Jordan, 28-29 May 2024

## **Provisional Agenda**

| <ul> <li>1) Opening remarks         <ul> <li>Dr. Haidar Fraihat, Director, Department of Statistics, Amman – Jordan</li> <li>Mr. Himyar Abdulmoghni, United Nations Population Fund representative, Jordan</li> <li>Mr. Heid, Director, Arab Institute for Training and Research in Statistic (AITRS)</li> <li>Dr. Ismail Lubbad, Acting Chief of Demographic and Social Statistics Section, Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (ESCWA)</li> </ul> </li> <li>2) Objectives, work program and administrative arrangements</li> <li>09:30-11:00</li> <li>Session I: Review progress made in the implementation of the Arab region's civil registration and vital statistics (CRVS) strategic framework, 2021-2025         </li> <li>Moderator:         <ol> <li>Main pillars of CRVS strategic framework</li> <li>Mr. Hafedh Chekir, consultant</li> <li>Regional midpoint review of CRVS strategic framework: questionnaire results             <ul> <li>Dr. Ismail Lubbad, ESCWA</li> </ul> </li> </ol></li></ul> <li>Partners contribution to the implementation of the regional CRVS strategic plan             <ul> <li>Mr. Chokri Benyahia, UNFPA-ASRO</li> <li>Dr. Eman Abdelkareem Aly, WHO Regional Office for the Eastern Mediterranean (WHO-EMRO)</li> <li>Mr. Lane Krainyk, Protection Officer, United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR)</li> </ul> </li> <li>DISCUSSION</li> <li>11:00-11:30</li> <li>Break</li> <li>11:30-13:00</li> <li>Session II: UN guidance and emerging methodological developments related to civil registration and vita statistics strategies and their implementation Moderator:</li>  | 08:30-09:00 | Registration  |
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| 15:00-16:00 | Closing Session: conclusion and recommendations  |
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| 13:30-15:00 | Session VII: Outlines of future-plan to accelerate implementation of the strategy<br>- Mr. Hafedh Chekir   |
| 12:30-13:30 | Break  |
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|             | <ul> <li>Dr. Ismail Lubbad, ESCWA</li> <li>Oman's experience in using population registers as a main data source for their census         <ul> <li>Oman</li> <li>Civil Registration for Vital Statistics: Country experience</li> <li>Morocco</li> <li>Kuwait (TBC)</li> </ul> </li> </ul> |
| 11:00-12:30 | Session VI: Civil registration for vital statistics and population census<br>Moderator:<br>1) Population registers for population census   |
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|             | - Egypt<br>4) Availability and gaps in technical resources for CRVS systems' implementation in the Arab Region<br>- Mr. Willis Odek, Population and Development Advisor, UNFPA-ASRO<br>DISCUSSION  |
|             | <ul> <li>2) Selected countries' presentations: birth, death <ul> <li>Jordan</li> <li>Morocco</li> </ul> </li> <li>3) Selected countries' presentation: marriage, divorce</li> </ul>  |
|             | 1) Overview of quality assessment tools<br>- Pr. Michel Guillot, consultant  |
| 09:00-10:30 | Session V: Civil registration and vital statistics quality assurance<br>Moderator:   |
| DAY 2: Wedn | esday 29 May 2024  |
|             | - Tunisia<br>DISCUSSION  |
|             | <ul> <li>Bahrain</li> <li>2) Countries with a significant progress/achievement in improving CRVS systems</li> <li>Egypt</li> </ul>   |
|             | Moderator:<br>1) Countries with advanced CRVS systems  |
| 15:30-16:30 | Session IV: National priorities, achievements and challenges: Countries' presentations: national experiences for the last few years and future plans   |
|             | - Sudan<br>- Somalia<br>- Ms. Valeria Cetorelli, United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East<br>(UNRWA)<br>DISCUSSION   |
|             | - Palestine<br>- Libya   |
| 14:00-15:30 | Session III: Civil registration and vital statistics systems in conflict and humanitarian settings: civil registration and vital statistics systems in conflict settings: challenges and opportunities<br>Moderator:   |





