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Multi-stakeholder forum (MSF) on small-scale renewable energy technology use for entrepreneurial development and gender mainstreaming in productive sectors within rural areas

Kempinski Hotel, Amman, Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan, 23 November 2021

Under the “[Regional Initiative for Promoting Small-Scale Renewable Energy Applications in Rural Areas of the Arab Region \(REGEND\)](#)” Project, and within the framework of the [Eleventh International Forum on Energy for Sustainable Development](#) (IFESD-11), the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (UN-ESCWA), in partnership with the Ministry of Energy and Mineral Resources (MEMR), is organizing a multi-stakeholder forum (MSF) on small-scale renewable energy technology use for entrepreneurial development and gender mainstreaming in productive sectors within rural areas.

AGENDA

Tuesday, 23 November 2021	
08:30 – 09:00	Welcoming and registration of participants
Opening Session	
09:00 – 09:20	Master of Ceremony: Ms. Sawsan Gharaibeh, Chairperson, Rasheed, Jordan. Welcoming notes: – Mr. Zeyad Saada, Director of Electrification Department, MEMR, Jordan. – Ms. Abeer Soub, Director of Rural Women Development Directorate, MOA, Jordan. – Ms. Radia Sedaoui, Chief of the Energy Section (ES), Climate Change and Natural Resources Sustainability Cluster (CCNRSC), ESCWA.
09:20 – 09:40	REGEND project presentation: best practices, success stories, and lessons learned
Panel I	REGEND Project: a harmonious and integrated approach for rural development and gender empowerment

09:40 – 10:50	<p>Moderator: Ms. Radia Sedaoui, Chief of ES, CCNRSC, ESCWA.</p> <p>Rapporteur: Ms. Maya Mansour, Research Assistant, ES, CCNRSC, ESCWA.</p> <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Ms. Jamila Al-Jazi, Al-Jawhara Community-Based Organization (CBO) President, Al-Achaari, Maan, Jordan. – Ms. Syham Al-Maayta, Shabat Batir CBO President, Batir, Al-Karak, Jordan. – Mr. Maher Saleh, Al-Karak Area Manager, MEMR, Jordan. – Ms. Fida’a Rawabdeh, Chairwoman, Arab Organization for Agriculture Development (AOAD) in Eastern Area, Jordan. – Mr. Fadi Jabr, Secretary General, Arab Federation for Food Industries (AFFI), Jordan. <p>Questions and Answers</p>
10:50 – 11:05	Coffee Break and Networking
Panel II	The role of renewable energy in rural and entrepreneurial development and women empowerment
11:05 – 12:05	<p>Moderator: Mr. Rasmi Hamzeh, Executive Director, Jordan Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Fund (JREEEF), Jordan.</p> <p>Rapporteur: ESCWA and MEMR</p> <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Mr. Sami Al-Zawateen, Deputy General Manager, Electricity Distribution Company (EDCO), Jordan. – Mr. Omar Bader, General Manager, Al-Manhal Renewable Energy, Jordan. – Mr. Samer Zawaydeh, REGEND National Consultant, Jordan. – Ms. Lolita Chehab, Hanania Energy, Jordan. <p>Questions and Answers</p>
Panel III	Access to finance for the rural development of renewable energy technologies and productive activities
12:05 – 13:05	<p>Moderator: Ms. Shada El-Sharif, Advisor/Consultant - Environment & Sustainability, Jordan.</p> <p>Rapporteur: Ms. Afnan Abu Rabie, MEMR.</p> <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Mr. Mohamad Kataibeh, King Hussain Foundation (KHF), Jordan. – Mr. Yacoub Marar, Director of Renewable Energy & Energy Efficiency Department, MEMR, Jordan. – Mr. Naser Abou Ramman, Manager, Department of Projects and International Cooperation, Agricultural Credit Corporation (ACC). <p>Questions and Answers</p>
13:05 – 14:35	Lunch Break
Panel IV	Recommendations for the development of a strategic agenda on renewable energy and rural development and the establishment of the network of rural practitioners

14:35 – 15:35	<p>Moderator: Mr. Jil Amine, Sustainable Development Officer, ES, CCNRSC, ESCWA.</p> <p>Rapporteur: Ms. Rasha Hudeeb, MEMR.</p> <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Ms. Lama Shamaylh, Head of Economic Empowerment of Rural Women, MOA, Jordan. – Mr. Zeyad Saaeda, Director of Electrification Department, MEMR, Jordan. – Mr. Rasmi Hamzeh, Executive Director, JREEEF, Jordan. – Mr. Bashar Zeitoun, Sustainable Development Advisor, Jordan. <p>Questions and Answers</p>
15:35 – 15:40	Closing Remarks
16:00	Group photo and end of the forum