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Second Consultation in the Arab Region to prepare for the 2023 Midterm Comprehensive Review of the Water Action Decade Beirut, 14 April 2021

## Agenda

Session I	Opening and Update
Facilitator:	Ms. Joelle Comair, Water Expert, Climate Change and Natural Resource Sustainability Cluster, ESCWA
9:45 - 10:00	Test your connection
	• Participants are invited to log in to the MS Teams platform up to 15 minutes before the meeting to test their connection
10:00 - 10:10	Opening remarks & update on Water Action Decade midterm review preparations
	<ul> <li>Ms. Carol Chouchani Cherfane, Chief, Water Resources Section, Climate Change and Natural Resource Sustainability Cluster, ESCWA</li> </ul>
10:10 - 10:15	Questions and comments
Session II	Roadmap for Arab Regional Preparations
Facilitator:	Mr. Ziad Khayat, Coordinator, IWRM for Improved Water Security, Climate Change and Natural Resource Sustainability Cluster, ESCWA
10:15 - 10:30	Tour de table
	• Updates from participants on recent and planned water-related activities that could contribute to the Water Action Decade pipeline of regional events and inputs
10:30 - 10:40	Planning for the regional preparatory meeting
	• For discussion: scheduling, duration, ministerial/technical levels, champions (government, civil society, youth), cross-sectoral engagement, partner contributions
10:40 - 10:50	Preparing the regional contribution to the Midterm Comprehensive Review report
	• For discussion: structuring inputs according to regional priority areas, inputs from contributing regional events referencing Water Action Decade, format, timeline
Session III	Next Steps
Facilitator:	Ms. Carol Chouchani Cherfane, ESCWA
10:50 - 11:00	Open discussion on any other business
	Wrap up and next steps