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"Leaving No One Behind" in the context of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development

Wednesday 25 April 2018 | 16:00 – 17:30 | MZ Meeting Room | UN House, Beirut

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Background:

In the Arab region, a number of factors contribute to individuals or groups being left outside the development efforts or behind other groups. These factors include occupation, war and conflict, as well as stark urban-rural divides, and exclusionary political and social practices. Thinking through ways to reach those marginalized groups and, conversely, the impact of leaving them behind in planning for and implementing the Sustainable Development Goals, is crucial.

Session Objective:

- To engage government representatives, civil society partners, and others working on the 2030 Agenda in the region in understanding the concept of 'leave no one behind' and discussing approaches, challenges and constraints to its use in delivering on the 2030 Agenda commitments and achieving the SDGs.

Themes of Discussion:

- What is "leaving no one behind" and why is it central to achieving the SDGs?
- What methodologies are available to identify who is left behind?
- How to account for multiple disadvantages/intersectionality?
- What is the balance between targeting vs universal policies to ensure no one is left behind?
- What are the key constraints to making faster progress on leaving no one behind in the Arab region?

Facilitator:

- Ms. Asma Khoder, President, Sisterhood is Global Institute, Jordan

Panelists:

- Ms. Susan Nicolai, Senior Research Fellow in Overseas Development Institute's (ODI's) Growth, Poverty and Inequality Programme

- Mr. Adib Nehmeh, Expert on Poverty and the 2030 Agenda

- Ms. Tamam Mroue, Executive Director, Mouvement Social

This Special Session will be live-streamed

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