

Commission on the Status of Women: Arab Regional Preparatory Meeting

March 2 & 3, 2016

Beirut, Lebanon

March 2, 2016	
09:00 – 10:00	Registration
10:00 – 10:45	Opening Session: - Arab League - UN Women - ESCWA
10:45 – 11:30	First Plenary: Outcome from civil society meeting - Presentation by GAWF - The sustainable development goals in the Arab Region: Overview of CSO meeting outcomes and commitment statements
11:30 – 12:00	Coffee Break
12:00 – 13:00	Second Plenary: Secretary General's report on Women's Empowerment – links to Sustainable development - Challenges and achievements on Beijing PoA - SDGs in the Arab Region
13:00 – 14:00	Third plenary: Strengthening the evidence for gender responsive implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development - Inter-governmental subcommittee on gender and the 2030 Agenda - Monitoring progress, tracking indicators - Data collection
14:00 – 15:00	Lunch
15:00-16:00	Fourth Plenary: Financing for gender equality
16:00 - 16:15	Recap of the day

March 3, 2016				
09:00 – 09:30	Plenary: Introduction to the day			
09:30 – 11:00	Working Groups			
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11:00 – 11:30	Coffee break			
11:30 – 12:15	Plenary: Report back from working groups, including key recommendations			
12:15 – 13:00	CSW: Lessons Learned and How to Take the Outcomes Forward <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Presentation by UN Women HQ (10 minutes) - Discussion on expectations and taking the outcomes of CSW forward, including experiences from other regions 			
13:00 – 13:45	Lunch			
13:45-14:45	Plenary: Arab Position for CSW60 and closure <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Discuss and finalize the common Arab position for CSW60 			
14:45- 15:30	Press Conference			