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Tenth Regional Training Workshop on Capacity Development for Climate Change
Negotiations for the Arab Countries
Kuwait, 3-5 April 2018

AGENDA

Day 1 – Tuesday, 3 April 2018

- 8:30-9:00 Registration of Participants
- 9:00-9:30 Opening Statements and Introductions
 - Mr. Tarek Sadek, Water Resources and Climate Change Officer, Sustainable Development Policies Division, United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (ESCWA), Lebanon
 - Mr. Abdul-Majeid Haddad, Regional Climate Change Coordinator, UN Environment/West Asia Office, Bahrain
 - Mr. Bisher Imam, Senior Programme Specialist, Regional Bureau for Science in the Arab States, United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO), Cairo Office, Egypt
 - Mr. Ayman Shasly, Chair of the Arab Group on Climate Change, Advisor for International Policies, Ministry of Energy, Industry and Mineral Resources, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia (KSA)
 - Mr. Ashraf Shalaby, Regional Coordinator for Climate Change and Meteorology, Environment, Housing and Sustainable Development Department, Economic Sector, League of Arab States, Egypt
 - Mr. Abbas Al-Naqi, Secretary General, Organization for Arab Petroleum Exporting Countries (OAPEC)

Introduction of Participants and Overview of the Workshop Agenda

- *Mr. Tarek Sadek, ESCWA*

Session I Overview of COP 23 Outcomes and Latest Developments on Mitigation

Moderator: *Mr. Shareef Alkhayat, Head of Climate Change Section, Air Pollution Department, Environment Public Authority, Kuwait*

- 9:30-10:00 Current Status of Negotiation Issues and Outcomes of the COP 23 in Bonn
 - *Ms. Sarah Bashaan, Ministry of Energy, Industry and Mineral Resources, KSA*
- 10:00-10:30 Develop Further Guidance on Features of Nationally Determined Contributions (NDC's) and Related Information

- *Mr. Pei Liang, Division of International Policy and Negotiation, Department of Climate Change, National Development and Reform Commission (NDRC), China*

10:30-11:00 Discussion

11:00-11:30 Coffee Break

11:30-12:00 Guidance for Accounting and Review Cycles of NDCs

- *Mr. Pei Liang - Group Discussion*

12:00-12:30 Impacts of Climate Change Negotiation on Oil Producing Countries: Related Articles in the Negotiation Text

- *Mr. Abdul Kareem Ayed, Economic Expert, Organization of Arab Petroleum Exporting Countries (OAPEC)*

12:30-13:00 Reforming Energy Subsidies in the Arab Countries

- *Ms. Souraya Zein, Associate Economic Affairs Officer, Water Resources Section, Sustainable Development Policies Division, ESCWA*

13:00-13:30 Discussion

13:30-14:15 Lunch Break

Session II Draft Negotiation Text – Adaptation, Transparency, National Inventory and Finance

Moderator: *Mr. Kader Yahia, First Secretary, Environment and Sustainable Development Directorate, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Algeria*

14:15-14:45 Analysis of the Adaptation Issues in the Draft Negotiation Issues

- *Mr. Pei Liang - Group Discussion*

14:45-15:15 Trade Measures in NDCs and Linkage with Response Measures and Agriculture Issues in the COP 23 Decisions

- *Mr. Mohamed Osama, Ministry of Trade and Industry, Egypt*

15:15-15:45 Discussion

15:45-16:00 Coffee Break

16:00-16:30 Negotiation Text on Transparency of Finance

- *Mr. Ayman Shasly, KSA*

16:30-17:00 Establishment of the Climate Negotiation and Adaptation Nodes in the RICCAR Regional Knowledge Hub

- *Mr. Tarek Sadek, ESCWA*

17:00-17:30 Discussion

17:30 End of Day 1

Day 2 – Wednesday, 4 April 2018

Session III Paris Agreement Package 2018 and Global Stocktake

Moderator: *Ms. Sarah Bashaan, KSA*

9:00-9:30 Update on Climate Change Negotiations (Formal Sessions, High Level Events, Informal Consultations)

- *Ms. Sarah Bashaan, KSA*

9:30-10:30 Update on Facilitative/Talanoa Dialogue 2018 Paris Agreement Package

- *Mr. Pei Liang, China*

10:30-11:00 Discussion

11:00-11:30 Coffee Break

11:30-12:00 Update on Finance Issues and Present Negotiation Status

- *Mr. Ayman Shasly, KSA*

12:00-12:30 Update on Technology Issues and Present Negotiation Status and on GEF 7 Modalities

- *Ms. Hanadi Awadallah, Director, Department of Forestation and Re-forestation, Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry, Sudan*

12:30-13:00 Analysis of Global Stocktake (GST) Issues in the Negotiation Text (Group Discussion)

13:00-14:00 Tour in OAPEC Premises and Lunch Break

Session IV Capacity Support on Adaptation and Climate Assessment

Moderator: *Mr. Rachid Tahiri, Head, Climate Change Department, Ministry of Environment, Rabat, Morocco*

14:00-14:30 Update on Adaptation Gaps in the Arab Region and Development of Adaptation Metrics

- *Mr. Abdul-Majeid Haddad, UN Environment*

14:30-15:00 Proposal for the Establishment of the Arab Climate Change Centre and in ESCWA

- *Mr. Tarek Sadek, ESCWA*

15:00-15:30 Discussion

15:30-15:45 Coffee Break

15:45-16:30 Adaptation Actions, Updating the Climate Manual for the Water Sector in the Arab Region

- *Mr. Bisher Imam, UNESCO*

16:30-17:30 Discussion

17:30 End of Day 2

Day 3 – Thursday, 5 April 2018

Session V Update on IPCC Outputs and Climate Change Assessment in the Region

Moderator: *Mr. Ayman Shasly, KSA*

9:00-10:00 Compliance, Modalities and Procedures

- *Mr. Pei Liang - Group Discussion*

10:00- 10:30 Strategy and Thematic Discussion: Talanoa Dialogue

- *Mr. Pei Liang - Group Discussion*

10:30-11:00 Coffee Break

11:00-11:30 Strategy and Thematic Discussion: IPCC 1.5° C Report

- *Mr. Pei Liang - Group Discussion*

11:30-12:00 Discussion

12:00-12:30 Discussion on Preparation of Policy Briefs and Detailed Studies on Negotiation Issues

- *Mr. Tarek Sadek - Group Discussion*

12:30-12:45 Closing Statements

- ESCWA
- UN Environment
- UNESCO/Cairo Office
- Head of Arab Group, KSA
- League of Arab States
- OAPEC

12:45-13:30 Lunch Break

20th Meeting of the Arab Climate Change Negotiation Group, League of Arab States
(closed meeting for Arab negotiators only)

Moderator: *Mr. Ashraf Shalaby, League of Arab States*

13:30: 14:30 Arab Preparations for Bonn Preparatory Meeting

14:30-16:00 Development of Arab Position Paper on Key Negotiation Issues

16:00 End of Meeting
