



Distr.  
LIMITED  
E/ESCWA/SDPD/2019/WG.34/L.1  
29 July 2019  
ORIGINAL: ENGLISH

## Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (ESCWA)

First Coordination Meeting of the Steering Committee for the “Regional Initiative for Promoting Small-Scale Renewable Energy Applications in Rural Areas of the Arab Region”  
Beirut, Lebanon, 25-26 September 2018

### Agenda

#### Tuesday, 25 September 2018

8:30 – 9:00

#### Registration

*Sponsored participants are kindly asked to bring their passport, visa stamp and airline ticket stub to the meeting.*

9:00 – 09:30

#### Opening Session:

Welcoming Statement

*Ms. Roula Majdalani, Director, Sustainable Development Policies Division (SDPD), Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (ESCWA)*

Organization of work and review of the Agenda

*Ms. Radia Sedaoui, Chief Energy Section, SDPD, ESCWA*

Tour de la Table

#### Session I

#### Overview of the project scope, objectives and outcomes of the Inception Phase

09:30 – 09:45

Presentation of the project and outcomes of the Inception Phase

- *Ms. Radia Sedaoui, Chief Energy Section, SDPD, ESCWA*

09:45 – 10:00

Discussion

#### Session II

#### Gender mainstreaming strategy and action plan

Moderator

*Mr. Mongi Bida, First Economic Affairs Officer, Energy Section, SDPD, ESCWA*

10:00 – 10:15

Social norms in access to energy

*Ms. Govind Kelkar, Senior Advisor Gender, Land and Productive Assets, Landesa Rural Development Institute, India*

10:15 – 10:30	Gender mainstreaming strategy and action plan for the project <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Ms. Radia Sedaoui, Chief Energy Section, SDPD, ESCWA</i></li> </ul>
10:30 – 11:00	Discussion and Brainstorming
11:00 – 11:10	Coffee will be provided on the side line during the sessions

<b>Session III Promoting renewable energy for rural development: country perspective</b>	
Moderator	Ms. Bothayna Rashed, Economic Affairs Officer, Energy Section, SDPD, ESCWA
11:10 – 11:40	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Mr. Zeyad Alsaaydeh, Director of Rural Electrification Department, Ministry of Energy and Mineral Resources, Jordan</i></li> <li>• <i>Mr. Pierre el-Khoury, General Director, President of the Board, Lebanese Center for Energy Conservation, Lebanon</i></li> <li>• <i>Ms. Elena Ben Khemis, Head of Renewable Energy Department, National Agency for Energy Management, Tunisia</i></li> </ul>
11:40 – 12:00	Discussion

<b>Session IV Conflict sensitivity analysis and action plan for the project</b>	
Moderator	Ms. Radia Sedaoui, Chief Energy Section, SDPD, ESCWA
12:00 – 12:15	Presentation of the Project Risk Matrix and Analysis <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Ms. Maya Mansour, Research Assistant, Energy Section, SDPD, ESCWA</i></li> </ul>
12:15 – 13:00	Discussion and Brainstorming
13:00 – 14:00	Group Photo/Lunch Break

<b>Session V Sustainability and national ownership aspects of the project</b>	
Moderator	Mr. Mongi Bida, First Economic Affairs Officer, Energy Section, SDPD, ESCWA
14:00 – 14:15	Sustainability and national ownership of the project <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Ms. Radia Sedaoui, Chief Energy Section, SDPD, ESCWA</i></li> </ul>
14:15 – 14:40	Discussion and Brainstorming  <i>Coffee will be provided on the sideline during the sessions</i>
14:40 – 15:30	Partnership modalities at national and regional levels <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Ms. Radia Sedaoui, Chief Energy Section, SDPD, ESCWA</i></li> </ul>
15:30 – 15:55	<i>Way Forward</i>
16:00	End of the meeting

---

*Wednesday, 26 September 2018*

---

**Session VI**

**Coordination Meeting with Tunisia's focal point**

---

10:00 – 11:00

- *Ms. Elena Ben Khemis, Head of Renewable Energy Department, National Agency for Energy Management, Tunisia*
- *ESCWA Energy Section Team*

---

**Session VII**

**Coordination Meeting with Jordan's focal point**

---

11:00 – 12:00

- *Mr. Zeyad Alsaaydeh, Director of Rural Electrification Department, Ministry of Energy and Mineral Resources, Jordan*
- *Mr. Mustapha Al Khatib, Director of Electricity Department, Ministry of Energy and Mineral Resources, Jordan*
- *ESCWA Energy Section Team*

End of the meeting

