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

Second Consultative Meeting on Food Security Assessment and Monitoring in the Arab Region  
UN House, Beirut, 1-2 February 2018

### **Draft Agenda**

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*Day 1: Thursday, 1 February 2018*

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#### **09:30 – 10:00 Opening session**

*Master of Ceremony: Ms. Mona Fattah, Associate Coordination Officer, Food and Environment Policies Section, ESCWA*

- **Welcoming notes:**
  - Arab Organization for Agricultural Development (AOAD)  
*Mr. Ibrahim ElDukheri, Director General*
  - Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, Regional Office for the Near East (FAO-RNE)  
*TBD*
  - United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (ESCWA)  
*Ms. Roula Majdalani, Director, Sustainable Development Policies Division*
- **Tour de table**
- **Organization of work and review of the agenda**

#### **10:00 – 12:00 First session: Scope and rationale for the monitoring framework**

*Moderator: Ms. Reem Nejdawi, Director, ESCWA Technology Centre (ETC), ESCWA (TBC)*

- **Monitoring of food security in the Arab region: Overview of the proceedings, recommendations, and conclusions of the first consultative meeting on food security assessment and monitoring in the Arab region**  
*Mr. Mohamed Al-Hamdi, First Economic Affairs Officer, Food and Environment Policies Section, ESCWA*
- **Brief overview of the rationale behind the monitoring framework**  
*Mr. Rami Zurayk, ESCWA consultant & Chairperson and Professor, Landscape Design and Ecosystem Management Department, American University of Beirut (AUB)*

- **Methodology of the monitoring framework**  
*Mr. Rami Zurayk, ESCWA consultant & Chairperson and Professor, Landscape Design and Ecosystem Management Department, AUB*
- **General discussions**

**12:00 – 12:15 Wrap up of day 1**

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**12:15 – 12:45 Signing ceremony of the MoU between ESCWA and AOAD**

**12:45 – 13:30 Launching ceremony of the “Arab Horizon 2030: Prospects for Enhancing Food Security in the Arab Region” ESCWA-FAO joint publication**

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*Day 2: Friday, 2 February 2018*

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**9:00 – 11:30 Second session: Development of monitoring framework**

*Moderator: Mr. Ibrahim ElDukheri, Director General, AOAD*

- **Presentation of draft monitoring framework**  
*Mr. Rami Zurayk, ESCWA consultant & Chairperson and Professor, Landscape Design and Ecosystem Management Department, AUB*
- **Discussion**

**11:30 – 13:30 Lunch Break**

**13:30 – 15:30 Third Session: Way forward and wrap up of the meeting**

*Moderator: Mr. Mohamed Al-Hamdi, First Economic Affairs Officer, Food and Environment Policies Section, ESCWA*

- **Consolidation of experts’ comments and suggestions**
  - **Discussions on the way forward**
  - **Wrap up of the meeting**
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