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Climate Vulnerable Forum Regional Workshop for the Middle East and North Africa (MENA)

Rooms Rhin/Aare, International Environment House 2, 9-15 chemin des Anémones
CH-1219 Châtelaine, Geneva, Switzerland
Geneva, Switzerland, Thursday 28 – Friday 29 May 2015

PROGRAMME

DAY ONE: Thursday 28 May 2015

<i>Time</i>	<i>Programme Item</i>	<i>Participation</i>	<i>Location</i>
Registration: 09:00am- 09:30am	Participant registration	All	Outside Rooms Rhin/Aare
Session 1: 09:30am- 10:30am	<p>Opening Session</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Welcome and presentation of the CVF MENA Workshop background and objective Initial thoughts on Workshop focus and key issues, including the international policy track on climate change Explanation of the CVF and the region-by-region workshop exercise <p><u>Chaired by:</u> Lebanon</p>	<p><i>Open session</i></p> <p>Speakers: H.E. Mrs. Najla Riachi Assaker, Ambassador & Permanent Representative of Lebanon H.E. Mrs. Cecilia B. Rebong, Ambassador & Permanent Representative of Philippines H.E. Mr. Thomas Fitschen, Ambassador & Deputy Permanent Representative of Germany Ms. María Antonia Masana García, Minister & Subsidiary Permanent Representative of Peru Mr. Philippe Ramet, Counsellor, Permanent Mission of France Mr. Ross Mountain, Lebanon United Nations Resident Coordinator & UNDP Resident Representative</p>	Rooms Rhin/Aare

10:30am (30 mins)		<u>Coffee/Tea Break</u>	Outside Rm
Session 2: 11:00am- 12:30pm	Focus Session: Climate, Security and Stability • Detailed examination and discussion on implications of climate change for security and stability in MENA <u>Moderation:</u> UNDP Geneva	<i>Open session</i> Panellists: Ms. Luna Abu-Suarez, UN Office for Disaster Risk Reduction (UNISDR) Mr. Ross Mountain, UN/UNDP Lebanon Mr. Andres Smith Serrano, Office of the Director-General, United Nations Office at Geneva (UNOG) Roundtable/presentations and Q&A with international experts.	Rooms Rhin/Aare
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12:30pm (135 mins)		<u>Luncheon</u> (transport organized for participants)	Arabesque, 47 Quai Wilson, Geneva, 1211
Session 3: 2:45pm -3:45pm	Focus Session: Transnational dynamics – food, migration & water • Detailed examination and discussion of critical transnational issues facing MENA countries, in particular food security and prices, international migration patterns and water resources <u>Moderation:</u> UNDP Geneva	<i>Open session</i> Panellists: Mr. Ivan Draganic, ART Initiative- Global Water Solidarity , UNDP Geneva Ms. Dina Ionesco, Head of Division, Migration, Environment and Climate Change, International Organization for Migration (IOM) Mr. Alfredo Zamudio, Director, International Displacement Monitoring Centre (NRC/IDMC) Roundtable/presentations and Q&A with international experts.	Rooms Rhin/Aare

3:45pm (30 mins)	<u>Coffee/Tea Break</u> (Group Photo)	Outside Rm
Session 4: 4:15pm 5:30pm	<p>Delegate Presentations</p> <p>Topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The most significant challenges in the implementation of climate action (whether programmatic, geographic, governance, finance, technology or in other respects), inclusive of adaptation and mitigation What projects, programmes or aspects of climate policy have met with the most success at national or regional levels – knowledge of benefit to countries within the region but also from other regions Key needs and priorities for enhancing future efforts <p><u>Moderation:</u> UNDP Geneva</p>	<p><i>Open session</i></p> <p>Presentations by national delegates followed by international organizations.</p> <p>Delegate climate change policy implementation experience presentations (10 mins per presentation) and Q&A per (5 mins per presentation).</p> <p>Countries participating: Algeria, Bahrain, Egypt, Iraq, Jordan, Lebanon, Libya, Mauritania, Morocco, Oman, Palestine, Sudan, Syria, Tunisia, Yemen (final participation tbd.)</p>
5:30pm	<u>Close of Day One</u>	

DAY TWO: Friday 29 May 2015

<i>Time</i>	<i>Programme Item</i>	<i>Participants</i>	<i>Location</i>
Session 5: 9:30pm 11:00pm	<p>Delegate Presentations (continued)</p> <p>Topics: As per session 4 (Day One) above</p> <p><u>Moderation:</u> UNDP Geneva</p>	<p><i>Open session</i></p> <p>Presentations by national delegates followed by international organizations (continued).</p> <p>Delegate climate change policy implementation experience presentations (10 mins per presentation) and Q&A per (5 mins per presentation).</p>	Rooms Rhin/Aare

10:30am (30 mins)	<u>Coffee/Tea Break</u>	Outside Rm
<p>Session 6: 11:00am -12:30pm</p>	<p>Working Session: Breakout Groups</p> <p><u>Group 1 Topics:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Challenges: The challenges are most significant for addressing climate change adaptation and mitigation in MENA 2. Needs: Significant needs for overcoming challenges 3. Gaps: Gaps in national, regional or international policies that could be addressed to enhance responses to cc in MENA? <p><u>Group 2 Topics:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. Success: The most widely recognized examples of success in climate change action in and across MENA countries to date 5. Progress Areas: Programmatic areas, more broadly speaking, where the most progress has been achieved 6. Achievement Conditions: Circumstances, capacities or other key elements that have contributed to achieving success and progress in particular cases or on a consistent basis <p><u>Co-Facilitation:</u> Mr. Walid Ali, Policy Advisor, Arab Region, UNDP Mr. Matthew McKinnon, Specialist, Climate Change & Disaster Risk Reduction, UNDP Geneva</p>	<p><i>Closed session (international government delegates, regional organizations and secretariat only)</i></p> <p>Building on the delegate presentations from the previous day's sessions, delegates split into two groups, pooling and prioritizing collective views on the identified topics.</p> <p>NB. Elements spanning programmatic, geographic, governance, financial, technological, socio-economic, cultural and institutional factors or otherwise.</p> <p>Each group co-facilitated by a national delegate and a Secretariat/UNDP delegate.</p> <p>Each group nominates a presenter to report on its conclusions in plenary.</p> <p>Rooms Rhin/Aare</p>
12:30pm (90 mins)	<u>Luncheon</u>	<i>(Cafeteria in Int'l Environment House no. 1 – adjacent)</i>

Session 7: 2:00pm -3:30pm	Working Session: Presentations by Breakout Groups <i>Closed session (International government delegates, regional organizations and secretariat only)</i> <u>Co-Facilitation:</u> Mr. Walid Ali & Mr. Matthew McKinnon of UNDP	Plenary reporting and discussion on the conclusions of each of the breakout groups.	Rooms Rhin/Aare
3:30pm (60 mins)	<i>Coffee/Tea Break (Working Group to Prepare Consolidated Draft Recommendations)</i>		<i>Outside Rm (Rooms Rhin/Aare)</i>
Session 8: 4:30pm -5:30pm	Closing Session: Presentation and agreement on Workshop Recommendations <i>Closed session (International government delegates, regional organizations and secretariat only)</i> <u>Co-Chairs:</u> Ms. Lea Kai Aboujaoude, Project Officer, Third National Communication, Ministry of Environment of Lebanon Mr. Ahmad Arafa, Counsellor, Permanent Mission of Lebanon	Working group of presenters, co-facilitators and host present consolidated draft recommendations. Group discussion and agreement on final recommendations.	Rooms Rhin/Aare
5:30pm	<i>Close of Day Two/Workshop</i>		
