

ARAB FORUM ON BUILDING STATISTICAL CAPACITY FOR A DATA REVOLUTION

10-11 October 2016 - The St. Regis Hotel, Doha, Qatar

Agenda - Day 1: October 10

	Title	Presenter
08:00 AM	Registration	
08:30 AM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Opening Remarks • Short film on the event • Data Revolution video 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • H.E. Dr. Saleh M. Al-Nabit Minister of Development Planning and Statistics, State of Qatar • H.E. Saber Said Al-Harbi Director General, GCC-STAT • Dr. Johannes Jütting Manager, PARIS21 Secretariat
09:15 AM	Keynote Address How can Big Data help to promote Sustainable Development?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Erki Saluveer, Chief Technology Officer, Positium Estonia
09:45 AM	Break and Group Photo	
10:00 AM	Session 1: Contextualising the Data Revolution in the Arab region (Panel Discussion) Unpacking the Data Revolution, this panel discussion draws the focus on the imperatives of the call for improved availability and accessibility of data on National Statistical Systems in the Arab region. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What are the key themes of the Data Revolution and its relevance for the Arab region? 2. What does the data revolution mean to the statistical community in the Arab region? 3. How to respond to data demands in adopting and customizing the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) to national and local contexts? 	Moderator: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Atilla Karaman Senior Researcher, SESRIC Panellists: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prof. Enrico Giovannini Full professor of Economic Statistics, University of Rome Tor Vergata (via Skype) • Mr. Juraj Riecan Director, Statistics Division, ESCWA • Mr. Abdul Aziz Maalime Director General, AITRS
11:00 AM	Discussion	
11:20 AM	Break and Pray Time	
11:45 AM	Session 2: Challenges and Data Gaps in meeting the SDGs (Presentations) In the wake of growing demand for internationally comparable data as well as immediate and relevant data for addressing national issues, what are the key challenges facing the Arab region? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What are the current data gaps in the region? 2. Challenges of statistical capacity development for a data revolution. 3. Partnerships as an approach for dealing with emerging data-ecosystem. 	Moderator: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Johannes Jütting Manager, PARIS21 Secretariat Presenters : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Hatem Sedghaini Institute National de la Statistique, Tunisia • Mr. Ahmed al Mufarji National Centre for Statistics and Information, Oman • Mr. Aditya Agrawal Global Partnership for Sustainable Development Data • Ms. Nada Ali Moqabel GCC-STAT
12:40 PM	Discussion	
12:55 PM		

12:55 PM	<p>Session 3: Exploring Solutions (Panel Discussion) Bringing together people, processes, technologies and institutions, what innovative solutions in the data landscape in the region are spurring the changes required to advance the Data Revolution?</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Strategic placing of data and statistics in the context of national development (NSDS and national development plans) 2. Connecting statistical capacity with data innovations (new technologies e.g. tablets) 	<p>Moderator:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Amal Al-Mannai Chief Executive Officer Qatar Social Work Foundation <p>Panellists :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Abdalla AL Batel Deputy President, General Authority for Statistics Saudi Arabia • Mr. Abdulla Zidan Chairman, Bureau of Statistics and Census, Libya • Mr. Oussama Marseli Chief, Population Census and Vital Statistic Division, Morocco
01:45 PM	Discussion	
02:00 PM	Lunch	
03:00 PM		

Agenda - Day 2: October 11

	Title	Presenter
08:30 AM	Day 1 Recap	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Ahmad Hussein, Expert, Ministry of Development Planning and Statistics (MDPS), State of Qatar
08:50 AM	<p>Keynote Address Transforming Telecom Data into Action</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Frédéric Pivetta Managing Partner, Real Impact Analytics
09:20 AM	<p>Session 4: Capacity Development and Data Revolution (Presentations) Case studies, examples of innovative solutions geared towards SDG implementation and the data revolution.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Case study state of Qatar 2. RHEEM big data application 3. Advanced Data Planning Tool (ADAPT) 4. Arab Development Portal. 	<p>Moderator :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Abdel Aziz Al khalifa Chief Executive Officer - Qatar Development Bank <p>Presenters :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Saoud Matar Alshammari Head, Household Surveys Section, MDPS, State of Qatar • Mr. Jorge Quiane Ruiz Qatar Computing Research Institute, Hamad Bin Khalifa University • Mr. Rajiv Ranjan Technical Programme Officer, PARIS21 Secretariat • Ms. Farah Choucair Project Manager, Arab Development Portal
10:15 AM	Discussion	
10:30AM	Break	
10:45AM	<p>Session 5: Supporting Solutions This session will have four parallel breakout sessions, where participants will discuss the challenges and propose solutions which could be applied to accelerate the Data Revolution in the Arab region. All the groups will deliberate on the following topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sustainable funding for national statistical systems • Governance mechanisms to fuel the data revolution • Tools and technologies to accelerate the data revolution in the region 	<p>Moderator:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Naser Al Mahdi Director, Censuses, Household Surveys and Statistical Methods Dept., MDPS – State of Qatar <p>Facilitators and Rapporteurs:</p> <p>Group 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Mohamed Moalim, Somalia • Mr. Amin Ahmed Daoud Ahmed, Sudan <p>Group 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Ali Binmahboob, U.A.E • Mr. Sindha Ould N'dah, Mauritania <p>Group 3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Abdalla Bin Mohamed Almehrzi, U.A.E • Mr. Raymon Nabih Andrawes Goda, Egypt <p>Group 4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Idris Ali Soutan, Djibouti • Ms. Wadha AL Jabor, Qatar
11:45 AM	Break and Pray Time	
12:00 PM	Group Feedback Presentations	
12:30 PM	<p>Session 6: The Way Forward Closing Remarks</p>	<p>Panellists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Sultan Al Kuwari Director, IT & HR Departments, MDPS, State of Qatar • Mr. Sabir Said Al Harbi Director General, GCC-STAT • Dr. Johannes Jütting, Manager PARIS21 Secretariat
01:00 PM		