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Consultative Meeting on Strengthening Regional Cooperation for Accelerating the Transition towards a Circular Economy in the Arab Region Online, 7 August 2024

Agenda

Wednesday, 7 August 2024

Registration is available through the following link: https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZAscuqvqDssHNB5DKiEiOp6gDUpXSakW2AH

Opening Session

11.00–11.15 **Opening Remarks**

- Mr. Mahmoud Fathallah, Head of Secretariat, Council of Arab Ministers Responsible for the Environment (CAMRE), Director, Environmental Meteorological Affairs Department, League of Arab States (LAS)
- Ms. Reem Nejdawi, Chief, Food and Environment Policies Team, Climate Change and Natural Resource Sustainability Cluster (CCNRSC), United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (ESCWA)
- Ms. Priya Sarma, Head, Sustainability and Communication and Corporate Affairs, Personal Care Category, Unilever Middle East and Türkiye, Chair, Circular Packaging Association, Board Member, Multinational Companies Business Group

Moderator: Mr. Mahmoud Fathallah, Head of Secretariat, CAMRE, Director, Environmental Meteorological Affairs Department, LAS

Session 1 Mainstreaming Circular Economy in the Arab Region

11.15–11.35 Overview on Circular Economy in the Arab Region

 Ms. Sara Daniel, Research Assistant, Climate Change and Natural Resource Sustainability Cluster, ESCWA

Mainstreaming a Circular Economy in the Arab Region: Guidelines for a Cross-sectoral Transition

 Mr. Hammou Laamrani, Economic Affairs Officer, Climate Change and Natural Resource Sustainability Cluster, ESCWA

11.35–12.10 Discussion

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Session 2	Mechanisms for Enhancing Regional Cooperation on Circular Economy
12.10–12.30	Regional Network for Accelerating the Transition to Circular Economy in the Arab Region
	o Ms. Sara Jackson, Technical Director, Circular Packaging Association
12.30-13.05	Discussion
	Closing
13.05–13.15	Recommendations and Closing Remarks
	o Mr. Mahmoud Fathallah, CAMRE, LAS
	o Ms. Reem Nejdawi, ESCWA