Sixth Meeting of the ESCWA Consultative Committee on Scientific and Technological Development and Technological Innovation (ESTIC)
Beirut, 3-4 April 2012

PRELIMINARY AGENDA

DAY 1  TUESDAY 3 APRIL 2012

09:00–09:30  Registration

09:30–10:00  Opening
  ▪ Welcome Statement, Haidar Fraihat, Director, ICT Division, UN-ESCWA
  ▪ Opening Speech, Rima Khalaf, Executive Secretary, UN-ESCWA

Part I: ICT Division at Large  Moderator

10:00 – 11:30  Programmes and Progress: Past, Present and Future
ICT Division and its Strategic Frameworks
Deliberations  Haidar Fraihat

11:30 – 12:00  Coffee Break

Part II: Thematic Sessions on Selected Priority Topics  Moderator

12:00 – 13:30  Selected Thematic Topics (1)
Regional Harmonization of Cyber Legislation for the Promotion of Knowledge Society in the Arab Region
Impact of ICT and e-Services on Social and Economic Development
Promotion of Digital Arabic Content in the Arab Region
Open Discussion  Nibal Idlebi

13:30 – 14:30  Lunch Break

14:30 – 16:00  Selected Thematic Topics (2)
Transition to Knowledge Economy: Investing in Innovation in the ICT Sector
Internet Governance Forum and Related Issues
Open Discussion  Ayman El-Sherbiny

DAY 2  WEDNESDAY 4 APRIL 2012  Moderator

09:00 – 10:30  ESCWA Technology Centre (ETC)
ETC Establishment Phase (2011) and Work Programme for 2012
ETC new Web Site
Open Discussion  Fouad Mrad

10:30 – 11:00  Coffee Break

11:00 – 12:00  Advisory Services in Response to Country Requests
Presentation
Open Discussion  Saleem Zoughbi

Part III: Closing Session and Recommendations  Moderator

12:00 – 13:00  Open Consultation and Recommendations  Haidar Fraihat

Special Session and Press Conference

13:00 – 13:30  Launch of the Regional Profile of the Information Society in Western Asia 2011
Presentation on the 2011 Regional Profile  Haidar Fraihat
Rami Zaatari

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