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Technical meeting on “Food Security Monitoring and Analysis at National Level –Reflection of Results in the Lebanese Ministry of Agriculture Strategy for 2021-2025”

Beirut, Lebanon, 15 Oct 2019

Meeting Schedule

Tuesday 15 October 2019

- 9:00-9:30 **Registration**

- 9:30-9:45 **Opening Session**
 - **Statement of Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia**
Mr. Elias Ghadban – ESCWA – Lebanon

 - **Statement of the Lebanese Ministry of Agriculture**
Ms. Wafaa Dikah Hamze – Ministry of Agriculture – Lebanon

- 9:45-11:00 **Session 1: Food Security and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)**

Moderator: Mr. Hussein Nasrallah – Minister Consultant – Ministry of Agriculture – Lebanon

 - **The four pillars of food security and their linkages with SDGs**
Mr. Elias Ghadban – Regional Advisor on Food Security Issues – ESCWA

 - **Food Security in Lebanon – Reality and Challenges**
Ms. Maya Makhoul – Food and Nutrition Department – MOA – Lebanon

 - **Plans to improve food security in Lebanese rural areas – Case Study**
TBC - Ministry of Social Affairs

 - **Q&A**
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- 11:00-11:15 **Coffee break**

11:15- 1:30 **Session 2: Measuring and monitoring food security in the Arab Region – Lebanon case study**

Moderator: Ms. Mariam Eid – Head of Agricultural Industries Department – MOA

- **WFP experience in Lebanon – Measuring Food Security at Household level**
Mr. Simon Renk – Monitoring and Evaluation Officer – World Food Program
- **FOA experience – Food Insecurity Experience Scale (FIES)**
Mr. Elie Choueiri – Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations
- **Arab Food Security Monitoring Framework – Indicators used and analysis**
Mr. Elias Ghadban – Regional Advisor on Food Security – ESCWA
- **Methodology for Obtaining Food Security Indicators within the Arab Monitoring Framework**
Ms. Layale Gedeon – Research Assistant – ESCWA

- **Q&A**

13:30-14:30 **Lunch break**

14:30-16:30 **Closing session: Discussing the food security situation in Lebanon with concerned Ministries and stakeholders – Proposing recommendations to promote food security within the framework of MOA strategy for 2021-2025**

Moderator: Ms. Wafaa Dika Hamzeh – Former Minister, Minister Consultant – MOA – Lebanon

- **Presenting the results of Lebanon**
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 - **Plenary discussion**
 - MP Bakr El Houjairi – Parliamentary Committee on Agriculture and Tourism
 - Ministry of Public Health
 - Ms. Alia Abbas – Director General – Ministry of Economy and Trade
 - Ministry of Energy and Water
 - Mr. Elias Ghadban – Regional Advisor – ESCWA
 - Mr. Elie Choueiri – Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations
 - **Recommendations**
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