Cordially invite you to

Educational Seminar

The Impact of Frontiers Technologies on Education and Youth

Place: UN House - ESCWA, Beirut
Time: November 30 at 8:30 AM

RSVP prior to 23/11/2017 at: 01-868254/6
Our societies are witnessing an unprecedented acceleration in the use of Frontier Technologies (FT), especially based on ICT, which have been impacting various aspects of life, leading to major transformations in human-human, and human-machine relationships. The transformation has entailed numerous and multifaceted repercussions, cognitive as well as behavioral, which demand skills preparation, governance, adoption, and policies enactment.

Knowing that Technology and Education are becoming more closely interlinked calls for all stakeholders, such as policymakers, educators, technologists and investors, to discuss alternative ways to harness frontier technologies efficiently into the educational sector and optimize its benefits.

ESCWA and Rafik Hariri Foundation, in the context of their work to serve the common good, both meet on the importance of addressing the challenges associated with technology and education from different perspectives, through organizing a seminar that aims to raise awareness on the impact of FT on sustainable development, particularly on fostering the educational systems and processes, and youth empowerment.

Work Program

08:30 - 09:00 Registration

09:00 - 09:30 Welcome and opening remarks,
Mrs. Salwa Siniora Baassiri, Director General - Rafik Hariri Foundation
Mr. Mounir Tabet, Acting Executive Secretary - ESCWA

09:30 - 11:00 Session I: Fourth Industrial Revolution and Local Development
Moderator: Prof. Mouhammed, Secretary General - National Council for Scientific Research
Speaker: Prof. Fouad Meddour, Senior Manager - Frontier Technologies - ESCWA
Speaker: Reverend Samuel Daccache, President - Saint Joseph University
Panelists: Mr. Fadi Gemayel, President - Association of Lebanese Industrialists
Mrs. Lamia Moubayed, President - Institut des Finances Basil Fuleihan
Mr. Bassam Jalga, Inventor CEO - Roadie Tuner Corp

11:00 - 11:30 Coffee Break

11:30 - 13:00 Session II: Local Educational System preparing Future Workforce
Moderator: Dr. Fadlo Khoury, President - American University of Beirut
Speaker: Dr. Jamal Chaya, Assistant Professor - Business Administration College - Rafik Hariri University
Dr. Haidar Frhat, Director - Technology for Development - ESCWA
Dr. Manal Yunis, Professor - Information Technology Management - L A U
Dr. Mohammad Wafai, Inventor, CEO, Professor - International School of Innovation

13:00 - 14:00 Coffee Break

14:00 - 15:30 Session III: Frontier Technologies for Inclusive Education
Moderator: Mr. Charles Arbid, Chair - Social & Economic Council
Speaker: Dr. Diana Jamall, Deputy, President - Global Compact Network Lebanon
Professor & Endowed Chair in Business Administration, AUB
Panelists: Dr. Darine Salam, Assistant Professor - Engineering and Architecture Faculty - AUB
Dr. Samer Amnous, Associate Professor - Faculty of Arts & Social Sciences - Balamand
Mr. Daniel Perrotier, Pro-Vice-Dean - Lycee Abdel Kader - Rafik Hariri Foundation
Mr. Wassim Hariri, Inventor, Engineer - SASHA (Hospital Robotic Meal Delivery)

15:30 - 16:00 Conclusion and Closure (Government, Academia, Industry)