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Information and Communication Technology Division

Regional Stakeholders' Meeting on Knowledge Network Strategies, Mechanisms and Tools

Crowne Plaza Hotel, Beirut, 3-4 September 2007

Provisional Agenda

DAY 1: Monday 3 September 2007		
09:00 – 09:30	**Registration**	
09:30 – 10:00	**Opening and welcome notes**	Yousef Nusseir, Mansour Farah
10:00 – 11:00	**Knowledge networks through ICT access points for disadvantaged communities**	Mansour Farah
11:00 – 11:30	Break	
11:30 – 13:00	**Community centers in the ESCWA region: present and future** **How to use ICT and telecenters effectively for development**	Nour Eldine Cheikh Obeid Samir Farjallah
13:00 – 14:00	Lunch	
14:00 – 15:30	**Professional Computer Association ICT Academy (PICTA)** **Presentations on telecenters in ESCWA member countries *(Egypt, Jordan, Lebanon, Syria and Yemen)***	Rami Lakkis Homam Saada Ashraf Hamed Afrah Ghaleb Mona Ghazal/Niwar Aramouny Assmaa Ousman
15:30 – 16:00	Break	
16:00 – 17:30	**Discussion: Transformation of ICT access points to knowledge hubs – strategies, mechanisms and tools**	Moderator: Mansour Farah
DAY 2: Tuesday 4 September 2007		
09:30 – 10:30	**Discussion: Transformation of ICT access points to knowledge hubs – strategies, mechanisms and tools**	Moderator: Mansour Farah
10:30 – 11:00	**Impact of community centers on rural areas**	Nasser Khalaf
11:00 – 11:30	Break	
11:30 – 13:00	**Discussion: Identifying the role and tasks of regional knowledge managers**	Moderator: Abdulilah Dewachi
13:00 – 14:30	Lunch	
14:30 – 15:00	**The PiPOP Initiative: Community at Work**	Robert Kanaan
15:00 – 16:00	**Discussion: Regional networking of knowledge hubs – strategies, mechanisms and tools**	Moderator: Georges Younes
16:00 – 16:30	Break	
16:30 – 17:30	**Consolidation of the Implementation Plan** **Recommendations and Closing**	Mansour Farah Yousef Nusseir