Agenda

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Expert Group Meeting Tracking Food Security in the Arab Region
Kempinski Hotel, Amman, Jordan, 24-25 April 2019
## Wednesday, 24 April 2019

### 9:30 – 10:30 Opening Session:
- **Welcoming Remarks**  
  *Ms. Reem Nejdawi, ESCWA Technology Centre (ESCWA),*  
  *Mr. Elhag Attia, Arab Organization for Agricultural Development (AOAD)*  
- **Tour de table**
- **Organization of work and agenda,**  
  *Mr. Fidele Byiringiro, ESCWA*
- **Overview of the food security project,**  
  *Ms. Julie Abouarab, ESCWA*

### 10:30 – 11:00 Coffee Break

### 11:00 – 13:00 Session I: Review of the food security monitoring framework
**Moderator:**  
*Ms. Reem Nejdawi, ESCWA Technology Centre*
- **Food security monitoring framework,**  
  *Dr Rami Zurayk, AUB*
- **Addressing country comments and revisions,**  
  *Mr. Kamil Hamati, U Geneva*
- **Overview of the dashboard,**  
  *Mr. Fidele Byiringiro, ESCWA*

**General discussions**

### 13:00 – 14:00 Lunch Break

### 14:00 – 16:00 Session I Continued
**Moderator:**  
*Mr. Elhag Attia, AOAD*
- **Country, sub-regional and regional dashboards,**  
  *Dr. Rami Zurayk, AUB*
- **The Food Insecurity Experience Scale,**  
  *Mr. Firas Yassin, FAO*

**General discussions**

### 16:00 – 16:15
- **Wrap up of the first day,**  
  *Mr. Fidele Byiringiro, ESCWA*
Thursday, 25 April 2019

09:30 – 11:30  Session II: Food security overview and using the framework
Moderator: Arab Institute for Training and Research in Statistics (AITRS)

• Recap of previous day, Mr. Fidele Byiringiro, ESCWA
• The food security situation in the Arab region, Mr. Elhag Attia, AOAD
• Monitoring framework guidebook, Mr. Kamil Hamati and Mr. Fidele Byiringiro

General discussions

11:30 – 12:00  Coffee Break

12:00 – 14:00  Session III: Analysis of findings on the food security status: Expert view
Moderator: Mr. Abdul Karim Sadik, Kuwait Fund for Arab Economic Development (KFAED)

• Summary of country food security analysis, Mr. Fidele Byiringiro, ESCWA
• Expert discussions: Plenary discussions:
  o What are the factors affecting food security based on the dashboard?
  o How to inform policy/strategy development using the dashboard?
  o How to collect relevant data for the dashboard at all levels?

14:00 – 15:00  Lunch Break

14:30 – 16:00  Way forward and closing remarks

• Wrap-up, key messages, and way forward, ESCWA

End of meeting
THANK YOU