



Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (ESCWA)

Calendar of Meetings and Events for 2019

Venue/date	Title	Organizer
<u>First quarter</u>		
Tunisia 7 January	Tunis National seminar on the Integrated Toolkit for Gender Statistics	SD
United Arab Emirates 9-10 January	EGM on “The State and Future of Preventing Violent Extremism in the Arab Region: Regional Assessment and Future Prospects”	ECRI
Tunis 9-10 January	Workshop on Antidumping and Safeguard Measures in International Trade Regulations	EDID
Morocco 10 January	Morocco National seminar on the Integrated Toolkit for Gender Statistics	SD
Beirut 10-11 January	Civil Society Dialogue Series: CSOs Forum in preparation for the 4th Arab Economic & Social Development Summit	SDD
Cairo 13-14 January	Regional Seminar on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities in the International Convention and the Sustainable Development Plan 2030	SD
Beirut 15-16 January	Training Workshop on the Guidelines for the Preparation of National Reports on Beijing+25	ECW
Amman 20-21 January	Food Security Monitoring Training Workshop	SDPD
Iraq 20-23 January	Iraq Second National Training Workshop to Improve Use of Gender Statistics	SD

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Beirut 21-25 January	Meeting with DGACM's Executive Officers and with DGACM's focal point for Regional Commissions	ASD
Beirut 24-25 January	Arab Region Parliamentary Forum on the 2030 Agenda	SDD
Beirut 25-28 January	Workshop on Social Protection Reform in the Arab Region	SDD
Cairo 27-28 January	Regional Consultation on the Environment and Natural Resources for the 2019 Arab Forum for Sustainable Development and High Level Political Forum	SDPD
Beirut 29-30 January	Thirteenth session of the Statistical Committee	SD
Beirut 30 January	EGM Urban Profiling in the Arab States "Cities Under Stress"	SDD
Beirut 30 January	Launching of ESCWA Data Portal	SD
Beirut 31 January	Meeting of the Working Group of the Statistical Committee	SD
Beirut January	Expert group meeting on Horizon 2030: what it takes to achieve gender equality targets in the SDGs (1)	ECW
Cairo 4 February	Arab Regional Preparatory Meeting for CSW 63	ECW
Tunisia 5 February	National Seminar on: "Launching of the Baseline Mapping Study of the Energy Use Situation in the Buildings Sector in Tunisia"	SDPD
Amman 5-6 February	Seminar on Means for Implementing the Environmental Dimension of the 2030 Agenda in Palestine	SDPD

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Tunisia 6 February	National Consultation Meeting on the Regional Initiative for Promoting Small-Scale Renewable Energy Applications in Rural Areas of the Arab Region in Tunisia	SDPD
Dubai 6-7 February	Expert Group Meeting on National Digital Development Reports	TDD
Beirut 6-7 February	Expert Group Meeting on Food Security with a Focus on the 2030 Agenda	SDPD
Beirut 13-14 February	Capacity Building Workshop for National Institutions on Integrating Gender Equality in the Organizational Policy, Strategic Planning, Evaluation, Audit and Reporting	ECW
Beirut/AUB 15 February	Discussion Panel: Women and Radicalization in the Arab Region	ECW
Beirut 18-19 February	Expert Group Meeting titled “Shelters for Survivors of Violence: Availability and Accessibility”	ECW
Beirut 18-19 February	Advancing the Land Governance Agenda in the Arab Region: Planning Session	SDD
Beirut 18-19 February	Expert Group Meeting on Multidimensional Inequality in Arab Countries	EDID
Beirut 19 February	Expert Group Meeting on the Outline of the Social Protection Report	SDD
Beirut 19 February	International Mother Language Day	CSS
Beirut 22-24 February	LebMUN	OES
Beirut 25-28 February	Workshop on Social Protection Reform in the Arab Region	SDD
Beirut 26-28 February	Phase II: Advanced Workshop on Deploying Institutional Gaps Assessment Methodology on Project Implementation and Coordination Capacities in Iraq	ECRI

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Cairo 27-28 February	Regional Consultation on the Environment and Natural Resources for the 2019 Arab Forum for Sustainable Development and High Level Political Forum	SDPD
Tunis February	Expert Group Meeting on building institutions in conflict-affected countries: Dialogue, Reconciliation and Transitional Justice	ECRI
Beirut February	Expert group meeting on the Status of Arab Women Report on Violence against Women: Cultural and Political Dynamics (1)	ECW
Beirut February	Gender discussion series: combating violence against women in the Arab region	ECW
Cairo End January or February	Regional Training Workshop on Electricity Sector Restructuring in Syria	SDPD
TBD End of January or Early February 2019	National Workshop on Up-scaling Energy Efficiency in the Residential and Services Sectors in the Arab Region	SDPD
Beirut End-February or Early-March	Expert Group Meeting on Addressing Climate Change and Biofuels Challenges on Food Security	SDPD
Dead Sea, Jordan 3-5 March	5th Arab Water Week (ACWUA)	SDPD
Beirut 4-6 March	Green Technology Investments and Access to Sustainable Financing in the Arab Region	ETC
Beirut 5 March	International Women's Day 2019	ECW
Beirut 6-7 March	Arab Region Launch of the Global Campaign for the Good Treatment of Girls, Boys, and Adolescents with Disabilities in the World	SDD
Beirut 19 March	Expert Group Meeting on the Arab the Development Outlook, 2018-2019	EDID

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Beirut 19-20 March	Second Arab High-Level Forum on WSIS and 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development	TDD
Beirut 20-21 March	Committee on Technology for Development, Second session	TDD
Beirut 20-21 March	ESCWA Inter-Governmental Meeting on Technology for Development and e-Gov Council	TDD
Beirut 21-22 March	Regional Consultation on Climate Change in preparation for the 2019 Arab Forum on Sustainable Development and High-Level Political Forum	SDPD
Beirut 26 March	Dites-le aussi en Français!	CSS
Beirut 26-28 March	Regional Preparatory Meeting for the 14th UN Congress on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice	ESCWA/UNOV/ UNDOC
Beirut 27-28 March	Capacity Building Workshop for National Institutions on Integrating Gender Equality in Financial Resources Tracking and Allocation, Human Resources Assessment and Development and Organizational Structure	ECW
Beirut 27-28 March	Training Workshop on the Methodologies of Costing Violence Against Women in the Arab Region	ECW
Beirut March	Thirteenth Session of the Committee on Water Resources	SDPD
Beirut March	Expert Group Meeting on the Water-Energy- Food Nexus	SDPD
TBD March	Expert Group Meeting on Population Dynamics with a Focus on the 2030 Agenda	SDD
Ramallah 1st Quarter	Workshop on Means of Adequately Undertaking a Strategic Environmental Impact Assessment (SEIA) in Palestine	SDPD

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Beirut March	International Women's Day 2019 (focus on women, peace and security) (1)	ECW
TBD March	Twelfth session of the Committee on Social Development	SDD
First quarter (tbd)	Six National Training Workshops on Water Availability for Enhancing Resilience and Sustainability of Agriculture (DA Project)	SDPD
<u>Second Quarter</u>		
Cairo 1-3 April	Meeting on Land and Water Days	SDPD
Beirut 8 April	The 25 th Meeting of the Regional Coordination	StEPS
Istanbul 1-7 April	Regional Meeting for the Integration of Price Statistics with the Development of PPPs under the framework of the International Comparison Program	SD
Beirut 16-17 April	Consultative Workshop for Civil Society Organizations on Progress Made in the Implementation of Beijing+25	ECW
Beirut 17-18 April	Expert Group Meeting on Intellectual Property Systems in the Arab Region	TDD
Beirut 19 April	Expert Group Meeting on the Inception of the Regional Development Partnership Mechanism	SDD
Beirut 19 April	Arab Forum on Sustainable Development 2019	SDD
April (tbc)	Expert group meeting on climate change and economic development with a focus on the 2030 Agenda	SDPD

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Beirut April	Expert group meeting on knowledge-Sharing to Support the Science-Policy Interface for Climate Change Action	SDPD
Beirut April	Capacity Building Workshop on Open Government in the Arab region	TDD
Beirut 19 May	Peer Review of the Survey of Economic and Social Developments in the Arab Region 2018-2019	EDID

Second Quarter (continued)

Beirut May	Twelfth Session of the Committee on Energy	SDPD
Beirut May	Expert Group Meeting on the Impact of Artificial Intelligence and Frontier Technologies on Industrial Sectors	TDD
Beirut June	Expert Group Meeting on Strategies for the Implementation of Intellectual Property Rights to Promote Innovation in the Arab Region	TDD

Third Quarter

Beirut 30-31 July	Expert group meeting on conflict, crisis and occupation with a focus on the 2030 Agenda	ECRI
New York July	Side event at the substantive session of the Economic and Social Council meeting	ECRI
Beirut 19 September	Expert Group Meeting on Multidimensional Poverty	EDID
Beirut September	Regional consultations: impact of climate change on implementation of the SDGs in the Arab region – 2018-2019	SDPD
Amman September	The 7th ETC Technical Committee Meeting	SDPD
TBD February or September	Expert Group Meeting on Online Repository of National Development Plans of Member States	EDID

Fourth Quarter

Venue/date	Title	Organizer
TBD October	Joint Annual Conference of the Governance Institutes Forum for Training in the Middle East and North Africa Network	ECRI/Basil Fuleihan Institute of Finance
TBD October	ESCWA-LAS Sixth Arab Internet Governance Forum AIGF 6	TDD
Beirut October	Ninth session of the Committee on Women	ECW

Fourth Quarter (continued)

Beirut October	Expert group meeting on the gender justice strategy (1);	ECW
Beirut 29 November	International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People	ECRI
Amman November	The 9th ETC Board of Governors meeting	SDPD
Beirut November	High Level Conference on Innovation and Technology for Achieving the 2030 Development Agenda	TDD
Beirut November	Regional Workshop on Up-scaling Energy Efficiency in the residential and services sectors in the Arab Region	???
Beirut November	Thirteenth session of the Committee on Liberalization of Foreign Trade, Economic Globalization and Financing for Development (Focus on Finance)	EDID
Beirut November	Twentieth of the Committee on Transport and Logistics	EDID
Beirut November or December	Launch of the Survey of Economic and Social Developments in the Arab Region, 2018-2019	EDID
Cairo December	19th Joint Annual Conference of the League of Arab States/Arab Organization for Administrative Development (ARADO) and ESCWA	ECRI

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TBD ???	National Capacity Building Workshop on Promoting Open Government n EMCs	TDD
Beirut TBD	Seminar on Monitoring the implementation of the Energy-related SDG indicator in the Arab Region	SDPD
TBD	Expert group meeting on technology transfer and adaptation for sustainable consumption and production in the Arab countries: case studies on waste, water and energy	SDPD
<i>Fourth Quarter (continued)</i>		
TBD	12th Session of the ESCWA Committee on Energy (COE)	SDPD
Egypt TBD	The International Energy Forum for Sustainable Development 2019	SDPD
TBD ????	Expert Group Meeting on PDR9: Youth in the Arab Region	SDD
Beirut TBD	Expert Group Meeting to Discuss Findings of the Social Development Report No. 3 on the Future of Social Justice in the Arab Region	SDD
TBD	Servicing of the Sixth Meeting of the Bureau of the Statistical Committee	SD
TBD	Inter-agency and Expert Group on Gender Statistics	SD
TBD	Expert Group Meeting on Demographic and Social Statistics	SD
TBD	Expert Group Meeting on SDGs	SD
TBD	Expert Group Meeting on Emerging Issues of Official Statistics	SD
TBD	RCM Taskforce Meeting on Statistics, 2018-2019	SD
TBD	Sixth meeting of the Executive Committee	OES
TBD	Fourteenth session of the Committee on Liberalization of Foreign Trade, Economic	EDID

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	Globalization and Financing for Development (Focus on Trade)	
TBD	Expert Group Meeting on Financing for Development Thematic Priorities	EDID
TBD	Expert Group Meeting on Financing for Development and Developmental Regionalism – the Arab Citizens Common Economic Security Space (ACCESS)	EDID

Fourth Quarter (continued)

TBD	Regional Seminar on Mobilizing Domestic Resources for Development in the Arab Countries	EDID
Tunis TBD	Expert Group Meeting on "The State of the Libyan Economy: Challenges and Potentials During Instability"	ECRI
Amman TBD	Regional Capacity-Building Workshop on Job Competencies	ECRI
Rabat March	Expert group meeting on monitoring governance progress: Development policies, Peacebuilding and conflict prevention	ECRI
Beirut TBD	EGM on Knowledge Economy in in Service of Peace and Development	ECRI
Beirut TBD	Expert group meeting on measuring and analyzing the cost of the Israeli occupation	ECRI