



Sustainable Development Dialogues in the Arab region حوارات التنمية المستدامة في المنطقة العربية

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Sustainable Development Dialogue # 1

The Arab Region's response to COVID-19 and the way forward for health and well-being

Building on the findings of the Arab Sustainable Development Report 2020 (ASDR 2020), the first in the region to offer a quantitative and qualitative analysis of all 17 SDGs, **ESCWA and the WHO EMRO** are pleased to invite you to a high-level discussion on:

- What is COVID-19 telling us about the region's progress on SDG 3 and efforts to ensure the health and well-being of 430+ million people in the Arab world?
- How have health systems in the Arab world responded to COVID-19 and how should they move forward to ensure healthier lives and more resilient health care systems in the region?
- How can structural transformation in the region's approach to development articulated in the Arab Sustainable Development Report 2020 guide the way out of COVID-19?

Date & time

6 July 2020, 14:30 – 16:00 Beirut time (UTC +3)

Welcoming remarks

Dr. Rola Dashti, Executive Secretary, ESCWA

Dr. Ahmed Al-Mandhari, Regional Director for the Eastern Mediterranean, WHO

Snapshot presentations

SDG 3 in the Arab Region, Dr. Maisaa Youssef, ESCWA

COVID-19 response: regional trends, Dr. Rayana Bou Haka, WHO

Speakers

H.E. Dr. Hamad Hasan, Minister of Health, Lebanon

Lead Discussants

Dr. Luay Shabaneh, Regional Director for Arab States, UNFPA

Dr. Ted Chaiban, Regional Director for the Middle East and North Africa, UNICEF

Special Guest

Dr. Maha El Rabbat, WHO Special Envoy on COVID-19 Preparedness and Response

Q&A

Moderated by

Dr. Maisaa Youssef, ESCWA

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