



United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia

**Regional Seminar on the Supply and Use Tables
29-30 August 2018
Beirut, Lebanon
UN House - Mezzanine Hall**

Draft Agenda

Day 1 – 29 August 2018	
09:00 - 9:30	Welcome statements (ESCWA, UNSD) Introduction of participants Seminar objectives Adoption of the agenda
09:30 - 11:00	International recommendations for the compilation of SUTs (UNSD): <ul style="list-style-type: none">– Statistical units targeted– Components of SUTs– Recommended classifications for products and activities– Valuation– Data sources– Balancing
<i>11:00 - 11:30</i>	<i>Coffee Break</i>
11:30 - 12:30	Linking SUTs to institutional sector activities (UNSD)
12:30 - 13:00	SUTs on the research agenda (UNSD)
<i>13:00 - 14:00</i>	<i>Lunch</i>
14:00 - 15:00	Information Tool for SUT Compilation, INSEE, Division of international Technical Support, France
15:00 - 16:00	Discussion

Day 2 – 30 August 2018

09:00 - 10:30	Countries' experiences in implementing SUTs: <ul style="list-style-type: none">– Egypt– Saudi Arabia– Morocco– Palestine– Jordan
10:30 - 11:00	Discussion
11:00 - 11:30	<i>Coffee Break</i>
11:30 - 13:00	ESCWA's vision on how to fit the SUT to the Arab region and to accommodate for the challenges and obstacles hindering the construction of SUTs (ESCWA): <ul style="list-style-type: none">– Improvement of the compilation of data sources– Integration and consistency between various economic statistics– Optimal utilization of all available data for the construction of SUTs– Adoption of the SUT framework to develop and regulate an efficient national system for data collection– Developing methodologies to identify and cover the hidden economic activities including the informal activities
13:00 - 14:00	<i>Lunch</i>
14:00 - 14:30	SUT Continued (ESCWA)
14:30 - 15:00	Discussion
15:00 - 15:30	Recommendations
15:30 - 16:00	Closing and the way forward