



North Africa Regional High-Level Dialogue on Employment

“Development strategies and policies for employment creation in North Africa”

Rabat, Morocco, 24-25 April 2019

Programme of work

Day 1: Wednesday 24 April 2019

08h30 – 08h45

Registration

08h45 – 09h15

Welcome remarks

- **Mr. Ahmed Reda Chami**, President, Economic, Social, Environmental Council, Morocco
- **Mr. Mohamed Yatim**, Minister of Employment and Vocational Integration, Morocco
- **Mr. Philippe Poinot**, United Nations Resident Coordinator in Morocco
- **Mrs. Lilia Hachem Naas**, Director, UNECA- North Africa

09h15 – 09h30

A general framework on Employment in Africa, **Mrs. Lilia Hachem Naas** (UNECA- North Africa)

09h30 – 13h00

Panel on long term vision: job creation in a fast-evolving environment

Moderator: **Mr. Zouhair Chorfi**, SG Ministry of Economy and Finance, Morocco

Rapporteur: **Mr. Clément De-Boutet M'Bamba**, Rapporteur of the Economic and Social Council of the Central African Republic

Mrs. Amal Elbeshbishi, UNECA- North Africa

09h30 – 10h30

Panelists

- **Mr. Gamil Helmy**, Minister Assistant for Monitoring Affairs, Ministry of Planning, Monitoring and Administrative Reform, Egypt
- **Mr. Noureddine Benkhalil**, Secretary General of the Ministry of Employment and Vocational Integration, Morocco
- **Mrs. Aida Oualalou**, McKinsey, Morocco
- **Mr. Hassan Yousif**, International expert, Sudan
- Discussion

10h30 – 10h45

Coffee break

10h45 – 13h00

Brainstorming session: Identification of key areas of action

13h00 – 14h00

Lunch

14h15 – 18h00 ***Panel on institutions and employment creation: regulations, governance and public policies***

Moderator: Mrs. Leila Farah Mokaddem, AfDB Representative in Morocco

Rapporteur: Mr. Kouamé Bernard, Director of the Commissions of the Economic, Social and Cultural Council of Ivory Coast

Mr. Omar Abdourahman, UNECA- North Africa

14h30 – 15h45 ***Panelists***

- **Mr. Mohamed Hazim**, Director of the National Labor Market Observatory, Morocco
- **Mr. Najy Benhassine**, Practice Director in the Finance, Competitiveness & Innovation, World Bank
- **Mr. Mohamed Alaoui**, Member of the Economic, Social and Environmental Council, Morocco
- **Mr. Ragui Assaad**, International expert, Egypt
- **Mr. Walid Loukil**, Founder Tunisia-Africa Business Council, Tunisia
- Discussion

15h45 – 16h00 *Coffee break*

16h00 – 18h00 ***Brainstorming session: Identification of key areas of action***

Day 2: Thursday 25 April 2019

09h00 – 12h30 ***Panel on access to resources and production factors: finance, skills, and innovation***

Moderator: Mr. Halim Hamzaoui, Director ILO Maghreb

Rapporteur: Mr. Faouzi Amokrane, Head of Division, Economic and Social Council, Algeria

Mr. Salem Sebbar, UNECA- North Africa

09h00 – 10h15 ***Panelists***

- **Mrs. Hanan Hanzaz**, UNIDO Representative in Morocco
- **Mr. Amine Mounir Alaoui**, Member of the Economic, Social and Environmental Council, Morocco
- **Mrs. Julia Seiermann**, International Trade Centre
- **Mr. Slim Othmani**, Cercle d'Action et de Réflexion autour de l'Entreprise (CARE)
- Discussion

10h15 – 10h30 *Coffee break*

10h30 – 12h30 ***Brainstorming session: Identification of key areas of action***

12h30 – 13h 30 ***Restitution of the main priority areas of action and closing ceremony***

13h30 – 14h30 *Lunch*