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PROGRAMME

Day 1 – 11 December 2017

REGISTRATION	
08:30 - 09:00	Registration and Refreshments
09:00 - 10:00	OPENING SESSION
	<p>Guest of Honor: Ms. Darine El-Khatib, FAO Special Goodwill Ambassador for Zero Hunger for the Near East and North Africa</p> <p>Chair: Ms. Nora OurabahHaddad, FAO Representative, Oman.</p> <p>Ahmed Bin Nassir Abdullah Al-Bakri, Under Secretary For Agriculture, Ministry of Agriculture & Fisheries</p> <p>Akjemal Magtymova, WHO, Oman Representative.</p> <p>Abdessalam OuldAhmed, ADG, FAO RNE</p> <p>Carl Paulsson, Senior Programme Advisor, WFP</p> <p>Vilma Tyler, Regional nutritionist, UNICEF</p> <p>Jose Luis Figueroa, Associate Research Fellow, IFPRI, Cairo</p>
10:00 - 10:30	FOOD SYSTEMS FOR HEALTHY DIETS
	<p>Chair: <i>Fatima Hachem, Senior Nutrition and Food Systems Officer, ESN, FAO, Rome.</i></p> <p>Keynote Presentation: Food systems for Healthy Diets: A New Paradigm, <i>Dr Courtney Scott, Food Foundation (U.K.)</i></p> <p><i>Discussion</i></p>
10:30 - 12:30	FOOD SYSTEMS FOR HEALTHY DIETS: THE NEAR EAST AND NORTH AFRICAN (NENA) REGION
	<p>Chair: <i>Fatima Hachem, Nutrition Officer, ESN, FAO, Rome.</i></p> <p>Dietary Patterns in NENA region: the need to move to a healthier diet and markets, <i>Josef Schmidhuber, Senior Economist, EST, FAO</i></p> <p>A sustainable Arab diet for mitigating natural resources scarcity, <i>Dr Martin Keulertz, Faculty of Agricultural and Food Studies, Food Security Programme, American University of Beirut</i></p> <p>Mediterranean diet as a model of the sustainable diets in the context of sustainable food systems, <i>Ivana Cavoski, C.I.H.E.A.M - Bari</i></p> <p>The experiences of Tunisia in the field of sustainable food system, <i>Dr. Leila Alouane, National Institute of Nutrition, Tunis, Tunisia.</i></p> <p><i>Discussion</i></p>

12 : 30 – 13:30	LUNCH BREAK
13:30 – 15:00	SOCIAL PROTECTION PROGRAMMES FOR IMPROVING NUTRITION
	<p>Chair: <i>Jose Luis Figueroa, IFPRI, Cairo</i></p> <p>Leveraging Social Protection Policies and Programmes for Promoting Healthy Diets and Improving Nutrition: The Global Perspective, <i>Dr. Oliver Ecker, IFPRI</i></p> <p>Exploring pathways for increasing the nutrition returns of Egypt's investments in social protection programmes, <i>Dr. Habiba Hassan-Wassef, MD, Egypt</i></p> <p>MENA initiative for school meals and social protection, <i>Carl Paulsson (Senior Program Advisor, WFP)</i></p> <p>Toward Sustainable food systems in Oman, <i>Naufal Rasheed- Agriculture policy and investment Advisor, Ministry of Agriculture, Oman.</i></p> <p>Discussion</p>
15:00– 15:30	COFFEE BREAK
15:30 – 17:30	APPROACHES TO ADDRESS OVERWEIGHT AND OBESITY IN THE NEAR EAST
	<p>Chair: <i>Dr Samia Al Ghannami, Nutrition Director, MOH, Oman</i></p> <p>Global and regional strategies to address obesity and overweight, <i>Dr Ayoub Aljawalkeh, WHO Regional Adviser on Nutrition. Presented by Dr Akjema Magtymova, WHO Representative, Oman</i></p> <p>Regulatory actions for limiting consumption of Salt, Sugar and Saturated Fatty Acids: the case of Islamic Republic of Iran, <i>Dr Gholamreza Asghari, Director of FDA, Iran</i></p> <p>Public Authority for Food and Nutrition (PAFN): The inevitable Challenge, <i>Dr Nawal Al Hamad, Assistant FDA, Kuwait</i></p> <p>Obesity prevention initiative: the case of Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, <i>Dr Shaker Abdel Aziz Al Omari, Programme Manager for obesity, MOH, Saudi Arabia</i></p> <p>The role of FDA to monitor the healthy diet ; <i>Dr Amjad Rashaideh; Director of Nutrition Directorte / FDA Jordan</i></p> <p>The result of the national nutrition survey with more focus on issues related to prevalence of obesity and food consumption pattern in Oman; <i>Dr Samia Ghannami</i></p> <p>Discussion</p>

Day 2 – 12 December 2017

08: 30 – 10:30	MATERNAL AND CHILD NUTRITION IN NENA REGION
	<p>Chair: <i>Vilma Tyler, Regional nutritionist, UNICEF</i></p> <p>Oman fortification experience, <i>Dr Samia Al Ghannami, Nutrition Director, MOH, Oman</i></p> <p>Three main lessons from global success, <i>Scott Montgomery, Food Fortification Initiative</i></p> <p>Group discussions by country groups</p> <p>Plenary discussion</p>
10:30 – 11:00	COFFEE BREAK
11:00 – 13:00	NUTRITION IN FRAGILE SETTINGS AND PROTRACTED CONFLICTS: PANEL SESSION
	<p>Chair: <i>Lauren Landis, Director of Nutrition, WFP, Rome</i></p> <p>Panel:</p> <p>Ms. Leila Aloune, National institute of Nutrition, Tunisia</p> <p>Ms. Zahra Abdollahi, Director of Nutrition Improvement, Iran</p> <p>Ms. Lindsey Wise, Scaling Up Nutrition (SUN) Movement.</p> <p>Vilma Tyler, UNICEF Regional nutritionist</p> <p>Discussion</p>
13:00 – 14:00	LUNCH BREAK

14:00 – 15:30	FOOD SYSTEMS GOVERNANCE AND EQUITY
	<p>Chair: <i>Mark McGuire, Senior Food Security and Nutrition Officer, FAO</i></p> <p>Supporting national and regional nutrition priorities through improved policy coherence and convergence: The work of the Committee on World Food Security (CFS), <i>Mr. Khaled El Taweel, Chair of the CFS Open Ended Working Group on Nutrition</i></p> <p>The role of League of Arab States in food Governance and related food security policies, <i>Saied Shomakhi, First Attaché, General Secretariat, LAS</i></p> <p>Scaling Up Nutrition (SUN), <i>Lindsey Wise</i></p> <p>Gender, Nutrition in Food Systems Approach in Egypt, <i>Zahra Ahmed, FAO Egypt.</i></p> <p>Discussion</p>
15:30 – 16:00	COFFEE BREAK
16:00 – 17:30	WRAP UP AND THE WAY FORWARD
	<p>Chair: <i>Dr. Martin Keulertz, Faculty of Agricultural and Food Studies, Food Security Programme, AUB</i></p> <p>Food systems for improved nutrition: Lessons Learned, <i>David Sedik, FAO Senior Policy Officer.</i></p> <p>Discussion: The Way Forward</p> <p>Concluding Remarks</p> <p>Carl Paulsson, Senior Programme Advisor, WFP</p> <p>Vilma Tyler, Regional nutritionist, UNICEF</p> <p>Jose Luis Figueroa, Associate Research Fellow, IFPRI, Cairo</p> <p>Akjemal Magtymova, WHO Representative, Oman</p> <p>Abdessalam OuldAhmed, ADG, FAO RNE</p>