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National Gender Statistics in Egypt

ESCWA and the Egyptian Central Agency for Public Mobilization and Statistics (CAPMAS) organized a technical workshop to improve the use of statistics in monitoring SDG gender indicators. The workshop was attended by 22 participants who developed their technical capabilities in collecting, producing, mainstreaming and disseminating gender statistics. The Gender Statistics Curriculum is available free of charge online: (https://elearning.unescwa.org).

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Technology for Development

ESCWA, the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) Arab Regional Office, the Lebanese Government, OGERO Telecom-Lebanon, and the League of Arab States (LAS) organized the 2nd Arab Highlevel Forum (AHLF) on the World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS) and the 2030 Agenda at the UN House in Beirut. The forum brought together stakeholders and experts from across the region to discuss linkages between the information society, digital economies and internet governance. The event's outcome document contains specific messages that strengthen the contributions of the information society and digital technologies to sustainable development in the Arab region. Read More...

The 2nd session of the ESCWA Committee on Technology for Development was hosted concurrently with the AHLF, focusing on aligning Arab efforts in the "technology for development" field with the SDGs at the regional level. It discussed key roles for technology in member States' development efforts: creating decent jobs and empowering youth, making cities safe for women, strengthening internet governance, among others. Read More...



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Regional Consultation on Climate Change

ESCWA and the League of Arab States organized a regional consultation on Climate Change at the UN House in Beirut. This meeting consolidated regional views on climate change issues and priorities facing the Arab region, resulting in a joint regional outcome statement on climate change-related issues to be delivered to the Arab Forum on Sustainable Development (AFSD, Beirut, 9-11 April 2019), which will in turn inform the High-Level Political Forum on Sustainable Development (HLPF, New York 9-18 July 2019).

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