

ARAB-EU

Business Facilitation Network

3rd Working Group Meeting – Jordan / October, 20th – 22nd, 2015
Dead Sea

DATE & TIME	AGENDA ITEM	PRESENTER
Monday, October 19 th		
Arrival		
Tuesday, October 20 th		
	Welcome & Agenda	
09.00-10.00	Brief history of the AE-network and achievements Opening Speeches: EU Ambassador to Jordan JCI Chairman	DI Head of Secretariat JCI Director General JCI Chairman
	Q & A	
10.00-11.00	Financial outlook for the MENA region and foreign investment flows: how to improve investments in the current economical and political climate <i>Comments by AE member organizations on barriers and opportunities for companies investing in the MENA region</i>	HE Dr. Montaser Al Oqlah Director of Jordan Investment Commission
11.00-11.30	Coffee break	
11.30-13.00	Key note: <i>Green business opportunities and barriers in the Arab region</i> - <i>The case of Egypt</i> IFC's cooperation with FEI, Egypt Q&A	Farid M. Tadros, Operations Officer of T&C Green Competitiveness MENA, IFC Ahmed Kamal, CEO FEI/ECO
13.00 – 13.30	Tour de table: news and updates from the countries and organisations	Participants
13:30 – 14:30	Lunch	
14:30 – 16.30	Tour de table continued	Participants
20.00	Welcome dinner	

Dress code: informal
Kindly hosted by JCI

Wednesday, October 21th

9.00-10.00	Public-Private Dialogue as a catalyst for improving the business environment <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Presentation by PPD expert from Jordan Valley Water Forum- Q and A	Amal Hijazi PhD Environment & Water, SEES & Nayef Seder, Irrigation Agricultural Engineer
	List of Best Practices Discussion	DI

10.00-10.30	Feedback on first draft of AE-Network's International Business Services Catalogue	Head of Secretariat
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10.30– 11.00 Coffee Break

11.00 – 12.00	Presentation on the B2B platforms	KonnectI and UTICA
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12.00-12.45	Updates from all organisations on areas of interest, incl. policy advocacy roundtables <ul style="list-style-type: none">- JCI: <i>Energy Conference in November & SME Regional Conference in April 2016</i>	Participants
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12.45-14.00 Lunch

14.00-14.30	The UN Sustainable Development Goals and the role of the AE-network organisations	DI
14.30-14.45	Approving joint press release	DI & Head of Secretariat
14.45-15.00	Next steps	DI & Head of Secretariat

19:30 Dinner
Dress code: informal

Thursday, October 22nd

Departure for members not attending Day 3

9.30-13.00	Policy Advocacy Skills Workshop	Based on the MENA Benchmark Report and on DI's newly published 'Policy Advocacy Guide for Partner Organizations', this workshop will enlighten participants on DI's best practice and lessons learned on policy advocacy. Cases will be presented and discussions incl. knowledge
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sharing on the challenges concerning policy advocacy will be included. The workshop will be conducted by DI expert.

13.00-14.00

Lunch

14.30-16.00

Site visit to Jesus baptism place.