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PROGRAMME

Multinational Enterprises and Economic Development in the MENA Region

Introduction to the OECD Guidelines for
Multinational Enterprises

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Sunday, 11 November 2007

20:30 Welcome Dinner at the Hotel

Monday, 12 November 2007

09:30 **Registration**

10:00 **Opening Session**

- *Mr. Emil Lieser*, Resident Representative, Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung, Egypt
- *Mrs. Veronica Nilsson*, Senior Policy Advisor - TUAC
- *H.E Mrs. Aisha Abdul Hadi*, Minister of Manpower & Migration, Egypt

10:30 **Session1: Trends in Foreign Direct Investment and Multinational Enterprises in the Middle East and North Africa (MENA)**

Chair: *Mr. Musa Khalaf*, Advisor to the Minister of Labour, Jordan

“Impact of Globalization in the MENA Region”

Speaker: *Mr. Azmy Mostafa*, Social Fund for Development, Egypt

“Presentation of the MENA-OECD Investment Programme”

- Speakers:
- *Dr. Sayed Torky*, Regional Advisor to MENA, OECD Investment Program
 - *Dr. Michael Gestrin*, Senior Economist, Investment Division - OECD

Discussions

12:00 **Coffee Break**

12:30 **Session 2: The OECD Declaration on International Investment and Multinational Enterprises**

Chair: *Mr. Samir Hamdi*, Ministry of Labour & Vocational Training, Morocco

“The OECD Guidelines for MNEs, the Concept and Contents”

- Speakers:
- *Mrs. Veronica Nilsson*, Senior Policy Advisor- TUAC
 - *Mrs. Catherine Minard*, International Director - MEDEF

“How can a Government adhere to the OECD Declaration?”

- Speakers:
- *Dr. Michael Gestrin*, Senior Economist, Investment Division - OECD
 - *Mr. Samir Hamdi*, Regional Labour & Social Insurance Inspector, Ministry of Labour and Vocational Training, Morocco
 - *Mr. Musa Khalaf*, Advisor to the Minister of Labour, Jordan

Discussions

15:00 **Lunch & end of day one**

Tuesday, 13 November 2007

10:00

Session 3: Practical Experiences with the OECD Guidelines

Chair: *Mr. Gerd Emil Lieser, Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung, Egypt*

“National Contact Points (NCPs) – How do they operate?”

Speakers: - *Mr. Tillmann Braun*, Federal Ministry of Economics & Technology, Germany (NCP of Germany)
- *Dr. Juergen Eckl*, German Trade Union Confederation, Department of International Relations
- *Mrs. Veronica Nilsson*, Senior Policy Advisor - TUAC

Discussion

11:30

Coffee Break

12:00

Session 4: Egyptian National Contact Point – Future Perspective

Chair *Mrs. Veronica Nilsson*, Senior Policy Advisor - TUAC

Speakers: - *Dr. Ziad Bahaa Eldin*, Ministry of Investment, (NCP Egypt)
- *Mr. Fathy Nematt Allah*, Trade Union, Egypt
- *Dr. Mohamed Khamis*, Federation of Egyptian Investors, Egypt

13:30

Final Conclusions

Mrs. Veronica Nilsson, Senior Policy Advisor – TUAC
Mr. Emil Lieser, Resident Representative, Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung, Egypt

14:00

Closing and Lunch

OECD	<i>Organization for Economic Cooperation & Development</i>
TUAC	<i>Trade Union Advisory Committee to the OECD</i>
NCP	<i>National Contact Point</i>
MENA	<i>Middle East and North Africa</i>
MNEs	<i>Multinational Enterprises</i>
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