

**The Agenda of The 8th Meeting of the
Steering Committee of the Arab Statistics Initiative
“Arabstat” 10-11 November 2021
(Virtual Meeting)**

First day: Wednesday, November 10, 2021

15:00 – 16:45 1st Session

15:00 – 15:05 Welcoming Remark

H.E. Dr. Abdulrahman A. Al Hamidy, Director General, Chairman of the Board (AMF).

15:05 - 15:15 Overview of the Achievements of "Arabstat" in 2021

15:15 - 16:00 Consumer Price Index and Core Inflation

- Arab Monetary Fund.
- Arab countries: **Center Bank of Jordan // Saudi Arabian: General Authority for Statistics.**
- Regional and international institutions: **ILO (Mr. Rafael Diez de Medina)**
- Questions and discussions

16:00 - 16:45 Financial Intermediation Services Indirectly Measured (FISIM).

- Arab Monetary Fund.
- Arab countries: **Morocco: The High Commission for Planning.**
- Regional and international institutions: **IMF (Mr. Issam Alsammak) // ESCWA (Dr. Omar Hakouz)**
- Questions and discussions.

16:45 – 18:15 2nd Session

16:45 -17:30 Preparing and Implementing Household Income and Expenditure Surveys.

- Arab Monetary Fund.
- Regional and international institutions: **ILO (Ms. Valentina Stoevska) // FAO (Mr. Carlo Cafiero)**
- Questions and discussions.

17:30 -18:15 Censuses (Population and Industrial Establishments).

- Arab Monetary Fund.
- Regional and international institutions: **FAO (Mr. Jairo Castano)**
- Questions and discussions.

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Second Day: Thursday, November 11, 2021

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15:00 - 15:45 Ensuring Quality of Statistical Data.

- Arab Monetary Fund.
- Arab countries: **UAE: The Federal Competitiveness and Statistics Centre // ALGERIA: Office National des Statistiques.**
- Regional and international institutions: **Irving Fisher Committee (Mr. Robert Kirchner) // FAO (Mr. Pietro Gennari)**
- Questions and discussions

15:45 - 16:30 Government finance statistics and public debt.

- Arab Monetary Fund .
- Regional and international institutions: **IMF (Ms. Nadine Aboukhaled and Mr. Noriaki Kinoshita) // FAO (Mr. Mr.Gary Jones).**
- Questions and discussions.

16:30 – 19:00 2nd Session

16:30 - 17:15 Sustainable Development Goal Indicators.

- Arab Monetary Fund .
- Arab countries: **UAE: The Federal Competitiveness and Statistics Centre // Palestine: Palestinian Central Bureau of Statistics.**
- Regional and international institutions : **OECD (Mr. Guillaume Delalande) // SESRIC (Dr. Atilla KARAMAN) // FAO (Mr. Dorian Kalamvrezos Navarro).**
- Questions and discussions

17:15 - 18:00 Foreign Direct Investment Survey.

- Arab Monetary Fund .
- Arab countries: **Palestine Monetary Authority.**
- Regional and international institutions: **IMF: Ms. Maria Borga.**
- Questions and discussions

18:00 - 18:45 Economic Surveys and Industrial Production Index.

- Arab Monetary Fund .
- Arab countries: **Bank of Morocco**
- Regional and international institutions: **FAO (Mr.Carlo Cafiero).**
- Questions and discussions

18:45 - 19:00 Closing the meeting