

## National Stakeholder Consultation on Towards the Elimination of Child Labour in Lebanon: Forging Partnerships, Accelerating Action

## Beirut, 15 February 2012 – UNESCO Palace (Hall)

## Draft Agenda

| 8:30 - 9:00   | Registration   |
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| 9:00 – 9:15   | Presentation of a short video on Child Labour in Lebanon and success stories<br>from ILO project in the North and the Bekaa "Strengthening National Action to<br>Combat the Worst Forms of Child Labour in Lebanon"                                      |
| 9:15 – 9:45   | Opening Remarks  |
|               | Nada Al-Nashif, Regional Director, ILO Regional Office for the Arab States (ROAS)<br>Abdallah Razzouk, Director General, Ministry of Labour<br>Ghassan Ghosn, President, Confédération Générale des Travailleurs Libanais (CGTL)                         |
| 9:45 - 10:15  | Presentation of the Study "A Rapid Assessment on Child Labour in the North<br>Lebanon and Bekaa Governorates"  |
|               | <i>Dr. Roula Abi Habib-Khoury</i> , Head of the Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Université Saint-Joseph (USJ)  |
| 10:15 – 10:45 | Presentation of the Study "A Mapping of Policy and Normative Initiatives against<br>Child Labour in Lebanon: Remaining Gaps"   |
|               | Hayat Osseiran, Study Author   |
| 10:45 – 11:15 | Coffee Break<br>(Refreshments served in the Hall until 2 pm)   |
| 11:15 – 12:15 | Discussion Panel 1 - "Combating Child Labour through Vocational Training and Remedial Education"   |
|               | Chairperson: Fadi Yarak, Director General, Ministry of Education and Higher Education (MEHE)   |
|               | <ul> <li>Young Men's Christian Association (YMCA):         <ul> <li>Fadi Francis, Director, Fourass Vocational Training Center, Bekaa, with students from the Center</li> <li>Abbas Ismail, President, Britel Municipality, Bekaa</li> </ul> </li> </ul> |

|               | <ul> <li>René Moawad Foundation (RMF):         <ul> <li>Khouloud El Ali, Project Coordinator, RMF Center in Tripoli</li> <li>Rouweida Mousallem, Teacher at RMF Center in Tripoli and<br/>Mother of beneficiary children</li> </ul> </li> </ul> |
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|               | <ul> <li>Joanne Doucet, Chief, Child Protection Programmes, UNICEF</li> </ul>   |
|               | Followed by an Open Debate / Q&A with Audience  |
| 12:15 - 12:50 | Presentation on "The Lebanese Draft List of the Worst Forms of Child Labour<br>(2008): A Key Move towards Child Protection and Future Legislation on the<br>Working Youth"  |
|               | Dr. Iman Nuwayhid, Professor and Dean, Faculty of Health Sciences, American University of Beirut (AUB)  |
| 12:50 - 13:50 | Discussion Panel 2 - "Stakeholder Consultation: Towards a Common<br>Understanding and a National Consensus on Future Action targeting Child<br>Labour"  |
|               | Chairperson: Bahia Hariri, MP and President of the Education Committee of the Lebanese Parliament   |
|               | <ul> <li>Nazha Shalita, Director, Child Labour Unit, Ministry of Labour</li> </ul>  |
|               | <ul> <li>Boutros Saadeh, Member of the Executive Board, CGTL</li> </ul>   |
|               | <ul> <li>Arij Nasr, Member of the Women's Committee, ALI</li> </ul>   |
|               | <ul> <li>Ramzi Naaman, Director, Central Management Unit, National Poverty<br/>Targeting Program for Social Safety Nets, Presidency of the Council of<br/>Ministers</li> </ul>  |
|               | Followed by an Open Debate / Q&A with Audience  |
| 13:50 - 14:00 | Closing remarks and next steps  |
|               | Maurizio Bussi, Deputy Regional Director, ILO ROAS  |