

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
9:00 – 9:15	Presentation of a short video on Child Labour in Lebanon and success stories from ILO project in the North and the Bekaa "Strengthening National Action to 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) Abdallah Razzouk, Director General, Ministry of Labour 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 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 Child Labour in Lebanon: Remaining Gaps"
	Hayat Osseiran, Study Author
10:45 – 11:15	Coffee Break (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)
	 Young Men's Christian Association (YMCA): Fadi Francis, Director, Fourass Vocational Training Center, Bekaa, with students from the Center Abbas Ismail, President, Britel Municipality, Bekaa

	 René Moawad Foundation (RMF): Khouloud El Ali, Project Coordinator, RMF Center in Tripoli Rouweida Mousallem, Teacher at RMF Center in Tripoli and Mother of beneficiary children
	 Joanne Doucet, Chief, Child Protection Programmes, UNICEF
	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 (2008): A Key Move towards Child Protection and Future Legislation on the 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 Understanding and a National Consensus on Future Action targeting Child Labour"
	Chairperson: Bahia Hariri, MP and President of the Education Committee of the Lebanese Parliament
	 Nazha Shalita, Director, Child Labour Unit, Ministry of Labour
	 Boutros Saadeh, Member of the Executive Board, CGTL
	 Arij Nasr, Member of the Women's Committee, ALI
	 Ramzi Naaman, Director, Central Management Unit, National Poverty Targeting Program for Social Safety Nets, Presidency of the Council of Ministers
	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