



The International Labour Organization

Round Table Meeting

**“A roadmap toward Universal Health Care in Lebanon:
Planning a report to investigate the costs and benefits”**

**30th September 2015
Hotel Gefinor Rotana, Beirut, Lebanon**

TENTATIVE AGENDA

9:00 - 9:10	Welcome and Introductions	<i>Mr. Frank Hagemann</i> Acting Regional Director for Arab States, International Labour Organization
9:10 - 9:30	Background to the Round Table meeting Presentation of the rationale for the Report and the objectives of the Round Table meeting.	<i>Ms. Ursula Kulke</i> International Labour Organization and <i>Dr. Adrianna Murphy</i> London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine
9:30-10:30	Health system: context and challenges related to universal health care Presentation on current health insurance schemes, health care financing mechanisms and health care outcomes and coverage in Lebanon.	<i>Dr. Ali El-Hajj</i> ClinGroup Holding and <i>Dr. Fadi El-Jardali</i> American University of Beirut
10:30-10:45	Coffee Break	
10:45-11:15	Health Care for Refugees in Lebanon Presentation on priority health needs and health care utilization of refugee populations in Lebanon, and the impact on health care access for the host population.	<i>Dr. Adam P. Coutts</i> London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine

11:15-11:45	The Political Economy of Universal Health Care Presentation of past experiences of working with government to implement UHC, and how different political, economic and social factors influence the successful implementation of UHC.	<i>Mr. Robert Yates</i> Chatham House Policy Institute
11:45-12:30	Questions and discussion on presentations	Moderator: <i>Ms. Ursula Kulke</i>
12:30-13:30	Lunch	
13:30-14:30	Discussion Round Table discussion addressing the content of the new Report including (but not limited to) the following questions: 1) Who should be the target audience for the new report? 2) How can we determine what should be included in the UHC benefit package (building on current National Social Security Fund scheme)? 3) How should eligible beneficiaries of UHC be determined? 4) How can we determine how much the implementation of UHC will cost the government? How much will it save? 5) How can we determine how this scheme should be financed? 6) How would UHC reforms address the health care needs of the refugee population in Lebanon? 7) What other content should the report include?	Moderator: <i>Ms. Ursula Kulke</i> and <i>Dr. Ali Elhaj</i>
14:30-14:45	Coffee Break	
14:45-15:45	Continued Discussion Questions remaining from previous discussion; Next steps for drafting of the report; Establishment of an advisory committee for the report.	Moderator: <i>Ms. Ursula Kulke</i> and <i>Dr. Adrianna Murphy</i>
15:45-16:00	Closing	<i>Ms. Ursula Kulke</i>