

Regional Meeting on Youth Employment
24-25 November 2017
Rabat, Morocco
Hotel Rabat

| Day I: 24 November | |
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| 13.30-16.30 | <u>Advocacy Training for the SOLIDAR Project Partners</u> Delivered by Hassane Machhour The training will enable exchange between the participants on advocacy work at national and regional levels. |
| 16:30-17:30 | <u>Screening of the ECESR documentary “قطاع عام سابقاً”</u> |
| Day II: 25 November | |
| Session I 9:00-9:45 | <u>Opening and welcome</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Oonagh Aitken-SOLIDAR • Houdna Doss Benani - ESPACE Associatif • Bihter Moschini- ANND • Faissal Aoussar-BADES • Ahjam Abdellah-REMAJEC |
| Session II 9:45-11:15 | <u>Defining decent work for youth: Understanding global context and formulating what works for youth in the region</u> The session will principally focus on ILO and Agenda 2030 framework to set the global context. In light of this global context, needs for national policies promoting youth employment will be elaborated mainly focusing on the need for revising social and economic policies implemented. Moderator: Zahra Bazzi (ANND) Speaker: Samia Ouzgane, ILO- Morocco Cases: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jordan-Ahmad Awad- Phenix Center • Tunisia-Imed Zouaoui -Tunisian Forum for Youth Empowerment • Palestine-Hasan Barghouthi - Democracy and Workers’ Rights Center in Palestine Open discussion |
| 11:15-11:45 | <u>Coffee break</u> |
| Session III 11:45-13:15 | <u>Understanding regional development challenges and youth employment</u> The session will discuss the main development challenges in the region; particularly for youth employment. Increasing informal, youth brain-drain and migration. Main gaps between education policy and labor market needs, corruption and nepotism as a hindrance to youth employment will also be elaborated in the session, alongside discrimination towards women employment. The impacts of conflict, war and occupation will also be tackled as a key development challenge for youth in the region. |

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| | <p>Moderator: Elvira Giraldez Casal del Rey- NPA Speaker: Dr. Faouzi Boukhreiss---Morocco Cases:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jordan-Mahmoud Hishmah—East and West Center for Sustainable Development • Egypt-Mona Ezzat- New Woman Foundation • Tunisia-Miriem Jaballah-ADO+ • Egypt-Mohamed Elfeel- Ibn Roshd <p>Open discussion</p> |
| <p>13:15-14:15</p> | <p>Lunch break</p> |
| <p>Session IV 14:15-15:30</p> | <p>Trade and investment and privatization policies and the impact on decent work The session will focus on the impact of trade, investment and privatization policies on decent work in the region and particularly on the youth employment. National policies implemented will be presented to show-case challenges for youth labour. Moderator: Lobna Jeribi, Solidar Tunisia Speaker: Hassan Sherry, ANND Expert Cases</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lebanon- Asaad Sammour-The Lebanese Observatory for the Rights of Workers and Employees • Egypt: Hoda Kamel- Egyptian Center for Economic and Social Rights <p>Open discussion</p> |
| <p>15:30-16:00</p> | <p>Coffee break</p> |
| <p>16:00-17:30</p> | <p>Empowering youth: Youth mobilization, participation The session will look at the level of youth engagement in national policy making spaces including on employment, education, social protection policy as an enabling factor to raise their concerns and ensure that their needs are met. It will try to present best practices of youth mobilization in the region. Key constraints on youth civic participation, as well as restrictions on freedom of association, assembly will be elaborated. The session will also identify policy recommendations enhancing youth inclusiveness, including young women, youth refugee and minority groups in labor market. Moderator: Rosalind.Duignan-Pearson- Volonteuropé Speakers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Salvatore Marra-CGIL • Tamam Mroue- Mouvement Social-Lebanon • Ahmed Dakir-REMAJEC-Morocco • Kefah Abu Ghoush-Stars of Hope-Palestine <p>Open discussion</p> |
| <p>17:30-18:00</p> | <p>Wrap up and closure</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • REMAJEC • BADES • ESPACE |