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Arab World

Beirut, 11-16 May 1981

PROVISIONAL SCIENTIFIC PROGRAMME

Monday, 11 May

Authors

08:00–09:00 Opening Session

09:00–11:30 *International Trends and Issues*

Organizer: Léon F. Bouvier

“Historical Overview of International Trends
and Issues”

Kingsley Davis

“The Future of International Migration”

Julien Condé

12:00–14:30 *Arab Migration Trends and Patterns*

Organizer: Kamel Abu Jaber

“Migration Trends and Patterns within the
ECWA Region”

Moussa Samha

“North African Migration to Europe”

Mohamed Mehani

“North African Migration to the Arabian Gulf”

Hafed Chekir and
Jean-Pierre Garson

“Bedouin Population Movements”

Shuja' El-Asad

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Tuesday, 12 May

09:00–11:30	<i>Measurement of International Migration</i>	
	Organizer: William Seltzer	
	“The Use of Census Data for Estimating International Migration”	Kenneth Hill
	“National Surveys of International Migration”	Hamed Abou Gamrah
	“The Use of Current Administrative Statistics for Estimating International Migration Flows”	Muhi Al Dean Mamish
12:00–14:30	<i>Major Issues in Intraregional Migration</i>	
	Organizer: Nazli Choucri	
	“Major Issues in Receiving Countries”	Abdel Fattah Nassef
	“Major Issues in Sending Countries”	S. Yeslam
	“Issues Relating to the Welfare of Migrants”	Mohamed Ghanim Al-Rumaihi
16:00–18:30	<i>Forced Migration</i>	
	Organizer: Shafic Al-Outoum	
	“Forced Migration in the Arab World: A Historical Perspective”	Nicolas Ziadeh
	“Trends and Socio-Economic Consequences of Palestinian Migration”	Nabil Badran
	“Population Movements and the Lebanese Conflict”	– Nadim Khalaf

Wednesday, 13 May

09:00–11:30	<i>The Determinants of International Migration</i>	
	Organizer: Huda Zurayk	
	“A Review of Theories on International Migration”	Donald Heisel
	“The Socio-Economic Determinants of Intraregional Migration”	Clive Sinclair and John Birks
	“The Politics of Intraregional Migration”	Nabeel A. Khoury

12:00–14:30	<i>Socio-Economic and Demographic Consequences of Intraregional Migration</i>	
	Organizer: Abdallah Al-Benyan	
	“The Economic Effects of Intraregional Migration”	Georges Tapinos
	“The Socio-Cultural Effects of Intraregional Migration”	Meunir Khoury
	“The Socio-Economic Characteristics of International Migrants in the Arab Countries”	ECWA Population Division
<i>Thursday, 14 May</i>		
09:00–11:30	<i>The Arab Brain Drain</i>	
	Organizer: Ismail Sirageldin	
	“Trends and Prospects of Brain Drain from Arab Countries”	Tayseer Abdel Jaber
	“Determinants and Consequences of the Arab Brain Drain”	Tawfic Zarour
	“Policy Review and Proposals”	A.B. Zahlan
12:00–14:30	<i>International Migration and Demographic Factors</i>	
	Organizer: John J. Macisco, Jr.	
	“International Migration and Population Growth”	Joseph Chamie
	“The Effects of International Migration on Urbanization in Selected Arab Countries”	Ahmad Hammouda
	“International Migration and Fertility: With Special Reference to Arab Countries”	Robert A. Weller
<i>Friday, 15 May</i>		
09:00–11:30	<i>Immigrant Stability and Return Migration</i>	
	Organizer: Safouh Al-Akhras	
	“Return Migration Trends and Issues: A Global View”	Ivo Daucic
	“Characteristics of Return Migrants in Arab Countries”	Abdul Muniem Abu-Nuwar
	“The Assimilation of Migrants”	Ishaq Yacoub Qutub

12:00–14:30 *Legal Aspects of International Migration*

Organizer: Mohamedine Mabrouk

“International Covenants and Agreements
Governing International Migration”

G.S. Goodwin-Gill

“Immigration Law and Management in the
Major Receiving Countries Outside the Arab
Region”

Freda Hawkins

“Laws and Practices Affecting Migration in the
Arab World: Towards a Regional Covenant”

George Bib

Saturday, 16 May

09:00–11:30 *Remittances, Compensation, and Regional
Solidarity*

Organizer: W.R. Böhning

“Promoting the Productive Use of Remittances”

Bassam K. Saket

“The Idea of Compensation: A Reappraisal”

Adel Beshai

“Economic Alternatives to Migration”

Ahmad K. Katanani

12:00–14:30 *Migration Policies in the Arab World*

Organizer: Ahmed Abdulla Mansour

“Arab Migration Policies: An Overview”

Youssef Gemayel

“Guidelines for a Regional Policy”

Riad Tabbarah

