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Expert Consultative Meeting on Public Administration and Public Accounting  
Development, with Stress on Electronic Tools

*Jointly with*

Meeting on the Innovation of Public Administration in the Euro-Mediterranean  
Region (UNDESA)

Beirut, 1-3 July 2003

## PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME OF WORK

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**Under the Auspices of H.E. Mr. Karim Pakradouni  
Minister of State for Administrative Reform**

**Provisional Programme of Work**

**Tuesday, 1 July 2003**

- 09.00 – 10.00                      Registration
- 10.00 – 10.30                      Opening Session
- Mr. Shabbir Cheema, Principal Advisor on Governance Systems and Institutions of DPADM, DESA
  - Ms. Mervat Tallawy, Under-Secretary General of United Nations and Executive Secretary
  - H.E. Mr. Karim Pakradouni  
Minister of State for Administrative Reform
- 10.30 – 11.30                      Statements of Arab Ministers  
**Chairperson: H.E. Mr. Karim Pakradouni**
- 11.30 – 12.00                      Coffee break
- 12.00 – 13.30                      **First Session: Public Administration Development and Human Resources**
- Chairperson: H.E. Mr. Abdel Aziz Hegazy  
(Egypt)**
- Public Administration Development in the ESCWA Region  
*(Speaker: Mr. Yousef Salam, Lebanon)*
- Organizational Performance Management and Measurements: the Lebanese Experience  
*(Speaker: Ms. Haneen Salem, Lebanon)*
- Role of UNDP in Support of Public Administration Reform in Arab States  
*(Speaker: Ms. Elissar Sarrouh, UNDP, Lebanon)*

13.30 – 14.30

Lunch Break

**Second Session: Innovation in Public Administration in the Euro-Mediterranean Region**

14.30 – 16.00

**Chairperson: H.E. Mr. Mohamad Al-Atrash (Syria)**

The Role of Human Resources Management and Administrative Reform  
(*Speaker: Mr. Ali Mohamad Abdel Wahhab, Egypt*)

New Technologies and their Impact on the Modernization of the Administrative Process  
(*Speaker: Mr. Maher Al-Mujtahed, Syria*)

General Inspection in Ministries and the Administrative Development: the Case of Morocco  
(*Speaker: Mr. Mimoun Yachou, Morocco*)

16.00 – 16.30

Coffee break

16.30 – 18.00

**Second Session (continued)**

**Chairperson: Mr. Shabbir Cheema (DESA)**

The Critical Role of Innovation in Public Administration in Promoting Social and Economic Development  
(*Speaker: Ms. Adriana Alberti, DESA*)

The Reform Process in Palestine: Achievements and Challenges  
(*Speaker: Mr. Mohammad Ghadia, Palestine*)

The Potential of E-Government to Enhance Service Delivery and Citizen Participation in the Euro-Mediterranean Region  
(*Speaker: Mr. Arie Hoekman, DESA*)

Discussion among Ministers and Experts, and concluding remarks

*Social Event: Dinner hosted by H.E. Mr. Karim Pakradouni*

**Wednesday, 2 July 2003**

09.00 – 10.30

**Third Session: E-Government Applications and Previous Success**

**Chairperson: H.E. Mr. Abdelhakeem Bourawy (Tunisia)**

The Lebanese E-Government Strategy  
(*Speaker: Mr. Raymond Houry, Lebanon*)

E-Government: "Reality and Ambition"  
(*Speaker: Mr. Saad Al-Barrak, Kuwait*)

- Customs and Cadastre: the Lebanese Experience  
*(Speakers: Ms. Raghda Jaber and Mr. George Azar, Lebanon)*
- 10.30 – 11.00 Coffee break
- 11.00 – 13.00 **Fourth Session: Public Administration Development and the Legal Framework**
- Chairperson: H.E. Mr. Najib Zerouali (Morocco)**
- Legal Frameworks for Public Administration Development: the French Experience  
*(Speaker: Mr. Pascal Petitcollot, France)*
- Computerizing the Ministry of Justics: the Lebanese Experience  
*(Speaker: Mr. Rukoz Rizk, Lebanon)*
- Legal Framework for E-Government Applications: the United Arab Emirates Experience  
*(Speaker: Mr. Habib Mulla, United Arab Emirates)*
- Role of Technology in Public Administration Development: the Kuwaiti Experience  
*(Speaker: Mr. Mohammad Al Dallal, Kuwait)*
- 13.00 – 14.00 Lunch break
- 14.00 – 15.30 **Fifth Session: Extension of UNPAN in the Arab Region: Strengthening Cooperation Between UNPAN Members**
- Chairperson: Mr. Hasan Charif (ESCWA)**
- Introduction of UNPAN and its Development at Regional Level  
*(Speaker: Ms. Haiyan Qian, DESA)*
- E-Information Management in Public Administration via the UNPAN Programme: ARADO Experience  
*(Speaker: Mr. Hazem Aboufadel, UNPAN Consultant, ARADO)*
- E-Information Management in Public Administration via the UNPAN Programme: African Training and Research Centre in Administration for Development (CAFRAD) Experience  
*(Speaker: Mr. Tijjani Muhammad Band, and Mr. Gianluca Misuraca, CAFRAD)*
- 15.30 – 16.00 Coffee break
- 16.00 – 17.30 **Fifth Session (continued)**
- E-Information Management in Public Administration via the UNPAN Programme: the Network of Institutes and Schools of Public Administration in Central Eastern Europe (NISPAcee) Experience  
*(Speaker: Ms. Ludmila Gajdosova, Executive Director, NISPAcee)*

Cooperation Among UNPAN Members on Knowledge Management in the Arab Region

*(Speaker: Ms. Maya Ramadan, ESCWA)*

17.30 – 18.00

Coffee break

18.00 – 19.00

Multimedia Presentation on Modernizing and Digitalizing the Public Sector: the United Arab Emirates Experience

*(H.E. Mr. Said Khalfan Alghaith, United Arab Emirates)*

### **Thursday, 3 July 2003**

09.00 – 11.00

#### **Sixth Session: Public Accounting and Budgeting**

**Chairperson: H.E. Mr. Fouad Semiourah (Lebanon)**

Modernizing National Public Accounting Systems in Arab Countries

*(Speaker: H.E. Mr. Abdelaziz Hegazi, Egypt)*

Public Sector Accounting and Budgeting Reform: the Main Issues

*(Speaker: Mr. Hassan Ouda, Netherlands)*

Towards a New Budgeting and Accounting System in the Public Sector

*(Speaker: Mr. Peter Van Der Hoek, Netherlands)*

Towards a New Budgeting and Accounting-System in the Public Sector: a New Budgeting and Accounting System in Germany

*(Speaker: Mr. Juergen Gornas, Germany)*

Reforms in Public Accounting and Budgeting

*(Speaker: Mr. Jihad Azour, Lebanon)*

11.00 – 11.30

Coffee break

11.30 – 13.00

Panel Discussion

**Moderator: Mr. Hasan Charif (ESCWA)**

13.00 – 13.30

Final Session and Recommendations

**Chairperson: Mr. Hasan Charif (ESCWA)**

Closing

13.30 – 16:30

Free Tour in Downtown Beirut

19:00

Invitation by H.E. Mr. Karim Pakradouni to the Folkloric Musical (Moulouk Al-Tawa'ef), Casino du Liban