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(Under the Patronage of HRH Prince Khalifa bin Salman Al Khalifa,
Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Bahrain)

Manama, Kingdom of Bahrain
Ritz Carlton Hotel & Spa
19-21 January 2015

Monday, 19 January 2015

08:00 **Registration**

09:30 **Official Opening Ceremony**

Welcome address

HRH Prince Khalifa bin Salman Al Khalifa, the Prime Minister of Bahrain

Speeches

HRH Princess Rhama bint El Hassan on behalf of HRH Prince Al Hassan Bin Talal of Jordan, President of the Arab Thought Forum

Mr. Li Yong, UNIDO Director General

Mr. Ahmad Mohamed Ali, President of IDB

Mr. Yusuf Al Bassam, Chairman of the Board of BADEA

Mr. Adnan Al Kassar, President, General Union of Chambers of Commerce, Industry, and Agriculture for Arab Countries

Mr. Shaikh Ebrahim Bin Khalifa Al Khalifa, the Chairman of the Board of Trustees of AICEI



Signing Ceremony of MOUs with IDB, BADEA, UFM, and Intel

10:45

COFFEE/TEA BREAK

11:15

Innovative SMEs and Entrepreneurship

Speeches

Mr. Ahmad Alhendawi, Secretary-General's Envoy on Youth (TBC)

Ms. Shaikha Hessa Saad Abdulla Al Sabah, President Arab Businesswomen Council and President Arab African Businesswomen Union

Mr. Sri Sri Ravi Shankar, Founder Art of Living

11:45

SESSION I: Fostering Entrepreneurship Development

Moderator:

Mr. Jonathan Ortman, Director, Global Entrepreneurs Week, Kauffman Foundation, USA (TBC) (replacement will be provided).

Speakers:

Arab International Center for Entrepreneurship and Investment (AICEI)

Mr. Hashim Hussein, Head, UNIDO-ITPO Bahrain

The UNIDO productive work for youth approach

Mr. Lamine Dhaoui, Director, Business, Investment and Technology Branch, UNIDO

Ms. Christin Pfeiffer, Secretary General International SME Network, Italy

Intel Programme for Entrepreneurship Development

Speech by Intel Corporation Representative (TBC)

12:30

Lunch Break

13:30

SESSION II: Financial Mechanisms for Entrepreneurship Development

Moderator:

HE Mr. Birama Sidibe, Vice President of Operations, Islamic Development Bank Group

Financial Models for Supporting Entrepreneurs

Speakers:

IDB, (TBC)

BADEA, (TBC)

Tamkeen, BDB

Mr. Fadi Faqih, CEO, Bank Al Khartoum, Sudan

Mr. Ciyong Zou, Director, PMU, UNIDO

UNIDO's role in fostering partnerships with Financial Institutions and Private Sector to Support SMEs to access finance for investment projects.



15:00 SESSION III: Gender Dimension of Entrepreneurship

Women Entrepreneurs

Moderator:

Khayria Dashti **(will inform us)**

Speaker:

Ms. Laura Frati Gucci, President Association of Women Entrepreneurs (AIDDA)

Ms. Shaikha Hessa Saad Abdulla Al Sabah, President Arab Businesswomen Council, Kuwait and President Arab African Businesswomen Union

Ms. Ana Rosa Yasmine Darwich Darwich, President, International Federation of Business and Professional Women

Ms. Lilit Asatryan, President, Armenian Young Women's Association (AYWA) and Women Entrepreneurs Network of Armenia (WEN)

16:00 SESSION IV: Support Institutions for Entrepreneurs

Role of Chambers

Moderator:

Mr. Khaled Al Moayed, President Bahrain Chamber of Commerce & Industry **(TBC)**

Speakers:

Mr. Imad Shehab, Secretary General, General Union of Chambers of Commerce, Industry, and Agriculture for Arab Countries

Mr. Serguei Ouattara, President & Executive Manager, EU-Africa Chamber of Commerce

Mr. Abdulrahim Naqi, Secretary General, Federation of GCC Chambers

17:00 SESSION V: Role of business infrastructure (industrial parks and zones)

Speaker:

(TBC)

17:30 Close

Tuesday, 20 January 2015

09:30 SESSION I: Parallel Panels on Entrepreneurship Development by Regions

Introductory Remarks: Regional Perspective

Ms. Amita Misra, Director, Regional Programmes and Field Representation

Entrepreneurship Development in the *MENA Region*



- Challenges
- Opportunities
- Recommendations

Speakers:

H.E. Ms. Sheikha Al Zain Al Sabah, Under-Secretary, Ministry of Youth Affairs, State of Kuwait (TBC)

Mr. Abdul Aziz Al Khelef, Managing Director, Arab Bank for Economic Development in Africa (BADEA) (TBC)

Mr. El Sadiq Al Faqih, Secretary General, Arab Thought Forum

Ms. Azza Morssy, Chief, Arab Bureau, UNIDO

Entrepreneurship Development in the *African Region*

- Challenges
- Opportunities
- Recommendations

Speakers:

Mr. Tawanda Muzamwese, Zimbabwe, Green Industry Initiative in Zimbabwe – Challenges, Opportunities and recommendations for entrepreneurs in scaling-up sustainable innovation.

Entrepreneurship Development in the *Latin America and the Caribbean Region*

- Challenges
- Opportunities
- Recommendations

Speakers:

(TBC)

Entrepreneurship Development in the *Asia and the Pacific Region*

- Challenges
- Opportunities
- Recommendations
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Speakers:

Mr. Hyo-Soon Song, CEO of Eco Energy Holdings

Entrepreneurship Development in the *Europe and Central Asia Region*

- Challenges
- Opportunities
- Recommendations
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Speakers:

Mr. Stefano Giovannelli, Director of Toscana Investment Promotion Agency (TBC)

Mr. Baybars Altuntas, Ambassador of World Entrepreneurship Forum to Turkey & Balkans, France (TBC)



Entrepreneurship Development in the *BRICS Countries*

- Challenges
- Opportunities
- Recommendations

Speakers:

(TBC)

11:30 COFFEE/TEA BREAK

12:00 **Presentation on the recommendations and Adaption of the Bahrain Declaration on Entrepreneurship Development**

Moderator:

Mr. Ahmad Alhendawi, Secretary Generals Envoy on Youth (TBC)

Ms. Laura Frati Gucci, President, Association of Women Entrepreneurs (AIDDA)

12:30 Lunch

13:30 **Closing Ceremony – Final Remarks**

HRH Princess Rhama bint El Hassan on behalf of HRH Prince Al Hassan Bin Talal of Jordan, President of the Arab Thought Forum

Mr. Shaikh Ebrahim Bin Khalifa Al Khalifa, Chairman Board of Trustees of AICEI, Bahrain (TBC)

14:00 **Entrepreneur 2 Entrepreneur (e2e) Bilateral Meetings**

17:30 Closure

