



7th UfM Med4Jobs Advisory Board Meeting: *Connecting the Dots*

Agenda

Thursday, 25 March 2021

- 09h45 – 10h00** **Access of participants to the online event**
- 10h00 – 10h10** **Welcome Address**
H.E. Nasser Kamel, *Secretary General of the Union for the Mediterranean*
- 10h10 – 10h30** **Introductory remarks**
The European renewed Strategy for the Southern Neighbourhood - a New Agenda for the Mediterranean
Mrs. Emmanuelle Roure, *Neighbourhood Coordinator, International Relations Unit, Directorate General Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion, European Commission*
- Presenting the Two Rounds of Presentations**
Mr. Mohammed Elrazzaz, *Project Analyst, Economic Development and Employment, UfM Secretariat*
- 10h30 – 11h25** **Presentations by Participants – First Round**
“The future of work and skills in specific economic sectors: ETF research findings”
Mrs. Francesca Rosso, *Labour Market Specialist, European Training Foundation (ETF)*

Video on main findings of the ETF Report on Youth situation in the SEMED region

“YouMatch – A contribution to the implementation of the Cascais commitment by strengthening employment and labour market policies and practitioners”
Ms. Britta van Erckelens, *Deputy Programme Manager, YouMatch - Global Initiative on Employment Services for Youth - Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH*

“The new normal with regards job matchmaking and employment by conducting the online job matchmaking events using tech platforms”
Mr. Nayef Stetieh, *President and CEO, Business Development Center (BDC Jordan)*

“Main Outcomes and Impact of THE NEXT SOCIETY”
Mr. Mathias Fillon, *Coordinator, THE NEXT SOCIETY (funded by DG NEAR)*



11h25 – 11h35

Virtual Coffee Break

11h35 – 12h30

Presentations by Participants – Second Round

“The COVID-19 crisis and informal work in the MENA region”

Ms. Mariarosa Lunati, *Senior Advisor, Middle East and Africa Division, Global Relations Secretariat, Organisation of Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD)*

Title of the Presentation TBC

Mr. Vito Intini, *Regional Chief Economist, Inclusive Growth Team Leader, Bureau for Policy and Programme Support (BPPS) / Regional Bureau for Arab States (RBAS) Regional Hub - United Nations Development Programme – UNDP, Amman, Jordan*

“Gender-sensitive value chain development approaches as powerful lever of women's economic empowerment in the MENA region”

Ms. Faten Khamassi, *International Value Chain Development Expert, United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO)*

“Science diplomacy to boost cross border Blue Economy alliance for youth employability in the Mediterranean”

Dr. Mounir Ghribi, *Director, Internazionalizzazione, Comunicazione, Alta formazione e Promozione della ricerca – ICAP Istituto Nazionale di Oceanografia e di Geofisica Sperimentale - OGS*

12h30 – 13h10

Open Discussion

Follow-up questions, reflections and comments emanating from the presentations.

13h10 – 13h20

Closing Remarks

Mohammed Elrazzaz, *Project Analyst, Economic Development and Employment Division, UfM Secretariat*