

# High-Level Meeting on Skills in the Mediterranean Agenda

12 July 2023, Madrid (Spain)

13h00 – 13h30 CET	Registration of the participants
13h30 – 15h30 CET	Buffet for the participants
15h30 – 16h00 CET	Welcome coffee
16h00 – 16h30 CET	<p><b>Welcoming address</b></p> <p><b>Mr Joaquín Perez Rey</b>, Secretary of State for Employment and Social Economy of Spain</p> <p><b>Opening addresses by the Union for the Mediterranean Co-Chairs</b></p> <p><b>Mr Nicolas Schmit</b>, European Commissioner for Jobs and Social Rights</p> <p><b>H.E Ms Areej Hawamdeh</b>, Ambassador of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan to Spain</p> <p><b>Introductory remarks</b></p> <p><b>Her Royal Highness Princess Rym Ali</b>, President of the Anna Lindh Foundation</p> <p><b>H.E Mr Nasser Kamel</b>, Secretary General of the Union for the Mediterranean</p>
16h30 – 17h15 CET	<p><b>SESSION ON EDUCATION AND SKILLS</b></p> <p><i>Moderation by Ms Pilvi Torsti, European Training Foundation Director</i></p> <p><i>Panelists</i></p> <p><b>Mr Younes Sekkouri</b>, Minister of Economic Inclusion, Small Business, Employment and Skills of the Kingdom of Morocco</p> <p><b>Mr Mohamed Hassan Shehata</b>, Minister of Manpower, Arab Republic of Egypt</p> <p><b>Mr Jose Luis Escrivá Belmonte</b>, Minister for Inclusion, Social Security and Migration of Spain</p> <p><b>Ms Yousra Mishmish</b>, Regional Manager for Middle East and North Africa, Peace First, Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan</p>

17h15-17h45 CET	<b>COFFEE BREAK</b>
17h45-18h30 CET	<p><b>SESSION ON TRANSITIONS AND SKILLS</b></p> <p><i>Moderation by Ms Rania Bikhazi, ILO Director of the country office of Algeria, Libya, Mauritania, Morocco and Tunisia</i></p> <p><i>Panelists</i></p> <p><b>Mr Nasri Abu Jaish</b>, Minister of Labour of Palestine</p> <p><b>Mr Nayef Stetieh</b>, President of the Business Development Center, Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan</p> <p><b>Mr Antoine Saint-Denis</b>, Director for European and International Affairs, Ministry of Labour, Employment and Integration of France</p> <p><b>Ms Lamia Chaffai</b>, Chief Executive Officer, Education for Employment, Tunisia</p>
18h30– 19h15 CET	<p><b>SESSION ON SKILLS AND ANTICIPATING THE FUTURE OF WORK</b></p> <p><i>Moderation by Ms Barbara Rambousek, Director for Gender and Economic Inclusion at the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development</i></p> <p><i>Panelists</i></p> <p><b>Ms Edina Desic</b>, State Secretary, Ministry of Labour and Social Welfare of Montenegro</p> <p><b>Ms Shoroke Zedan</b>, CEO and Managing Director of Ta’Heal, Arab Republic of Egypt</p> <p><b>Mr Ahmed Hadi</b>, co-Founder at MIMIR, Finland</p> <p><b>Mr Ahmad Ashmawi</b>, Adviser at the Ministry of Education and Technical Education, Arab Republic of Egypt</p>
19h30-19h45 CET	<p><b>Inspirational Talk</b></p> <p><b>Mr Aly Elsayed</b>, Guinness World Record Holder and Sustainability Ambassador The Ride to 2023, Arab Republic of Egypt</p>
19h45-21h00 CET	<b>COCKTAIL</b>



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