



“Promoting the Rule of Law and Integrity in the Arab Countries”

Regional Conference
on the state of Judiciary in Lebanon, Jordan, Egypt and Morocco
in addition to the Iraqi Initiative

Cairo/ Egypt
January 26th and 27th, 2007

Conference Agenda

First Day - Friday December 26, 2007

9:00-9:30 Registration, Distribution of Files and Name Tags

9:30-10:15 **Opening session:** Welcome Statements & Reception

Head of session:

- Statement of the Arab Lawyers Union representative (Designated time: 5 minutes)
- Statement of the Arab Center of the Development of the Rule of Law representative (Designated time: 5 minutes)”
- Statement by Dr. Keith Henderson, Adjunct Professor of Law at American University's Washington College of Law and Senior Advisor for Rule of Law, IFES (Designated time: 5 minutes)”
- Statement of the United Nations Development Program (UNDP) - Programme on Governance in the Arab region (POGAR) representative (Designated time: 5 minutes)
- Statement of the Patron (Designated time: 5 minutes)

Reception

10:30-11:50 **First Session:** Presentation of the Frameworks, Principles and National Reports on the State of the Judiciary in the four related countries

Head of session:

- Presentation of the Frameworks and Judiciary Integrity Principles (Designated time 10 minutes)
- Presentation of the Report on the State of Judiciary in Lebanon/ Me. Elia Chalhoub (Designated time 10 minutes)
- Presentation of the report on the State of Judiciary in Jordan/ Me. Abdel Ghaffar Fraihat (Designated time 10 minutes)

12:00 Friday Prayer

13:30- 14:30 Lunch

15:00-16:30 **Second Session:** Presentation National Reports remaining on the State of the Judiciary in the four related countries

- Presentation of the report on the State of Judiciary in Egypt/ Dr. Muhammad Nour Farhat (Designated time 20 minutes)
- Presentation of the report on the State of Judiciary in Morocco/ Dr. Rachid Filai Mknassi (Designated time 20 minutes)

General Discussion (Designated time 80 minutes)

16:30-17:00 **Break**

17:00- 19:00 **Third Session:** Comparative Report and comments

Head of Session:

- Presentation of the surveys' results (Designated time 30 minutes)-Presentation of the Comparative Report on the State of Judiciary in Lebanon/ Me. Elia Chalhoub (Designated time 20 minutes)

- Presentation of the comments on the comparative report on the state of Judiciary in Lebanon, Jordan, Egypt and Morocco/ Dr Salah Al Bachir (Designated time 10 minutes)
- Comments by Dr. Nathan Brown, Professor at George Washington University and international advisor, IFES.

General Discussion (Designated time 60 minutes)

Day Two - Saturday January 27th, 2007

9:30- 11:00 **Fifth Session: Iraqi Initiative**

Head of session:

- Presentation of the report on the Federal Supreme Court and the Supreme Judicial Council in the Iraqi Judicial System/ Mr. Quousay Shbib Shnoun Al Saiddi (Designated time 10 minutes)
- Presentation of the comments on the Federal Supreme Court and the Supreme Judicial Council in the Iraqi Judicial System report/ Dr Hussein Shaaban (Designated time 20 minutes)

General Discussion (Designated time 60 minutes)

11:00- 11:30 Break

11:30- 14:00 **Sixth Session:** Reform policies and work plan

Head of Session:

- Presentation on the reform policies and on the work plan

General Discussion (Designated time 60 minutes)

Lunch