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Capacity Building for Promoting Gender Equality in Africa and
West Asia Countries

PROGRAMME OF WORK

Workshop on
Strengthening the capacity of national machineries through the effective use of ICTs

Beirut, Lebanon
27 June – 1 July 2005

Monday 27

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| 9.00 | Registration |
| 9:30 | Opening Ceremony |
| 10:15 | Introduction to the workshop <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Presentation by Facilitators• Presentation by participants and their expectations• Objectives and working methods of workshop• Logistics and housekeeping |
| 11.15 | <i>Break</i> |
| 11.45 | Introduction to key concepts of the workshop |
| 12.14 | Presentation 1: Role of National Mechanisms in the promotion of gender equality (power point presentation) and introduction to institutional web (4 spheres) |
| 13.15 | <i>Lunch</i> |
| 14.15 | Working Group 1: Identification of issues and gender inequalities in participants' countries |
| 15.15 | <i>Review</i> |
| 16.00 | End of session |

Tuesday 28

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| 9.00 | Presentation 3: Gender and ICT: Problems and stakeholders? |
| 10.00 | Working Group 2: Using ICT to collect, analyse and manage information on gender issues |
| 10.45 | <i>Break</i> |
| 11.00 | How national machineries use ICT: Presentations by 3 countries |
| 13.00 | <i>Lunch</i> |
| 14.15 | Working Group 2: (Practical): Demonstration of ICT tools (email, list serves, internet, etc.) |
| 16.00 | End of session |

Wednesday 29

- 9.00 Presentation 3: “Women and ICT in ESCWA region”
10.00 Working Group 3: Gender critique of national ICT policy
11.00 *Break*
11.15 *Review*
Group work 4: Integration of gender into national ICT policies (per country)
13.15 *Lunch*
14.15 *Review*
15.15 Working Group 5: (practical): Introduction to research and consulting websites
16.30 End of session

Thursday 30

- 9.00 Presentation 4: Gender perspectives in international initiatives
10.30 *Break*
10.45 Group work 6: Integration of ICT into programmes of national machineries (per country)
12.15 *Review*
13.15 *Lunch*
14.15 Working Group 7: (practical): Development of a plan and/or prototype of internet site for national machineries
16.30 End of session

Friday 1

- 9.00 Presentation 5: Integrating gender into the World Summit on Information Society (WSIS)
10.00 Review of Working Group 7 (practical)
11.00 *Break*
11.15 Summary of workshop and discussion
12.15 Discussion on modalities of follow-up: network and/or portal for national machineries for gender, discussion lists
12.30 Evaluation
13.00 End of Session