

State of Kuwait  
Human Development Forum 2014  
November 10-11, 2014  
Draft Agenda



Day 1 November 10, 2014 – *Setting the Stage*

09:00-09:45	<b>Arrival &amp; Registration</b>	
10:00-10:45	<b>Opening Remarks - Keynote Speeches</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• His Highness Sheikh Jaber Al-Mubarak Al-Hamad Al-Sabah, the Prime Minister of the State of Kuwait</li> <li>• H.E. Minister Hind Subaih Barrak Al-Subaih, Minister of State for Planning &amp; Development Affairs and Minister of Social Affairs &amp; Labor</li> <li>• H.E. Dr. Bader Malallah, Director General, Arab Planning Institute</li> <li>• Dr. Bassam Ramadan, Country Manager, The World Bank, Kuwait Country Office</li> </ul>
10:45-11:00	<b>Coffee Break</b>	
11:00-11:15	<b>Introduction and Objectives of the HD Forum 2014</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mr. Ghassan Alkhoja, Senior Social Protection Specialist, The World Bank</li> </ul>
11:15-12:15	<b>Panel Discussion - Local Perspective on Human Development</b>  <i>Overall Human Development in Kuwait, and priorities in Human Development under the National Development Plan 2015-2019</i>	<p><b>Speaker:</b> Dr. Bassam Ramadan, Country Manager, The World Bank, Kuwait Country Office</p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> H.E. Eng. Hashim Al-Rifaa'i, Secretary General, General Secretariat of the Supreme Council for Planning &amp; Development</p> <p><b>Panel Members</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• H.E. Dr. Yousif Al Ibrahim, Senior Advisor, Diwan Amiri</li> <li>• H.E. Dr. Adnan Shihab Aldin, Director General, KFAS</li> <li>• Dr. Shafiq Al Ghabra, Political Science Professor, Kuwait University</li> <li>• Dr. Rashid Al Ajmi, Former Dean of Business Administration, Kuwait University</li> <li>• Dr. Reyad Bin Jeleli, Arab Foundation for Financial Insurance</li> </ul>
12:15 -12:45	<b>Coffee Break</b>	
12:45-13:30	<b>Panel Discussion – Theme 1 Linking Education and Skills to the Labor Market</b>  <i>Linking education outcomes to labor market needs: Current status, challenges, and opportunities</i>	<p><b>Speaker:</b> Dr. Shahram Paksima, Education Specialist, The World Bank</p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Dr. Riyadh Al-Faras, Assistant Secretary General, General Secretariat of the Supreme Council for Planning &amp; Development</p> <p><b>Panel Members</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• H.E. Dr. Ridha Al-Khayyat, Director, National Center for Education Development</li> <li>• H.E. Dr. Mohammad Al-Zuhair, Executive Chairman, Kuwait National Fund for SME Development</li> <li>• Mr. Manaf Al Hajeri, Chief Executive Officer, Markaz</li> <li>• Ms. Fadia Al Marzooq Secretary of the Board &amp; Executive Board Member, LOYAC</li> <li>• Ms. Ursula Kulke, Senior Social Security Specialist, International Labor Organization</li> </ul>
13:30-14:15	<b>Panel Discussion – Theme 2 Social Development and Health</b>	<p><b>Speaker:</b> Ms. Surat Nsour, Social Protection Specialist, World Bank</p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Dr. Mubashar Sheikh, Resident Representative, UNDP</p> <p><b>Panel Members</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dr. Enis Baris, Practice Manager, Health, Nutrition &amp; Population, The World Bank</li> <li>• Ms. Shaikha Al Nusif, Chief Executive Officer, Women Cultural &amp; Social</li> </ul>



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	<p><i>Addressing human capital through social development: The role of social safety nets, early childhood development, social inclusion, and health</i></p>	<p><i>Society</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Dr. Ali Al Zuabi, Member of the Higher Committee for Planning and Development &amp; Professor in Social Protection, Kuwait University</i></li> <li>• <i>Ms. Margaret Al Sayer, Founding Director, Bayt Abdullah Children's Hospice</i></li> <li>• <i>Dr. Kathem Behbahani, Director General, Dasman Diabetes Institute</i></li> </ul>
14:15-15:00	<p><b>Panel Discussion – Theme 3 Leadership &amp; Capacity Building</b></p> <p><i>The role of leadership and capacity building in the public sector to contribute to human capital in Kuwait</i></p>	<p><b>Speaker:</b> Ms. Ruth Dantzer, Leadership Advisor, Abu Dhabi Executive Council</p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> H.E. Dr. Bader Malallah, Director General, Arab Planning Institute</p> <p><b>Panel Members</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Dr. Reyadh Al-Faras, Assistant Secretary General, General Secretariat of the Supreme Council for Planning &amp; Development</i></li> <li>• <i>Ms. Mona Al-Daas, Assistant Undersecretary, Central Statistics Bureau</i></li> <li>• <i>Dr. Hulail Al Mutairi, Head of Public Administration Department, Kuwait University</i></li> <li>• <i>Dr. Philippe Karam, Director, International Monetary Fund</i></li> </ul>
15:00-15:15	<p><b>Wrap-up &amp; Planning for Day 2</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mr. Ghassan Alkhoja, Senior Social Protection Specialist, World Bank</li> </ul>
<i>Lunch</i>		





Day 2 November 11, 2014 – *Building Coalitions for Implementation*

8:00-9:00	Arrival and Registration	
SPECIAL EVENT		
9:00-10:00	Launching the 2013 Kuwait Human Development Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>H.E. Dr. Bader Malallah, Director General, Arab Planning Institute</li> </ul>
10:00-10:15	<b>Orientation Session</b>  <i>Introduction to group work, objectives, expected outcomes</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mr. Ghassan Alkhoja, Senior Social Protection Specialist, The World Bank</li> </ul>
10:15-12:00	<b>Working Groups – Parallel Sessions</b>  <i>Preparation of a roadmap/action plan for each priority, in light of the outcomes of discussion on Day 1</i>	<p><b>Priority 1 - Education / Labor</b> Resource Person: Dr. Shahram Paksima, Ms. Maryam Abdallah</p> <p><b>Priority 2 – Social Safety Nets</b> Resource Persons: Ms. Surat Nsour, Ms. Fatma Al-Ibrahim</p> <p><b>Priority 3 – Early Childhood Development</b> Resource Person: Dr. Samira Halabi</p> <p><b>Priority 4 – Social Inclusion</b> Resource Person: Ms. Sahar Al-Shawa</p> <p><b>Priority 5 – Eco-Cities for Better Health</b> Resource Person: Dr. Enis Baris</p> <p><b>Priority 6 – Leadership &amp; Capacity Building</b> Resource Person: Mr. Joey Ghaleb, Ms. Farah Al-Shamali</p>
12:00-12:30	Coffee/Tea Break	
12:30-13:30	<b>Work Group Reporting</b>  <i>Presentation of the proposed roadmaps, feedback &amp; discussion</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All</li> </ul>
13:30-14:00	<b>Summary and Consolidation</b>  <i>Agreement on Roadmap and Institutional Mechanisms for Implementation</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mr. Ghassan Alkhoja, Senior Social Protection Specialist, World Bank</li> </ul>
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