Capacity development webinar

Strengthening capacities, mindsets, and competencies of public institutions to build the next generation of public servants in the Arab Region

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Launch of the Curriculum on Governance for the SDGs

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The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development recognizes the need to build peaceful, just and inclusive societies that provide equal access to justice and that are based on respect for human rights, effective rule of law and good governance at all levels and transparent, effective and accountable institutions, in line with Goal 16.

In light of the above, UN DESA, through its Division for Public Institutions and Digital Government (DPIDG), and in collaboration with the United Nations Economic Commission for Western Asia (UN ESCWA) and the Arab Administrative Development Organization (ARADO), are organizing a capacity development webinar to launch the **Curriculum on Governance for the Sustainable Development Goals** (SDGs) (the "Curriculum") in the Arab region. The Curriculum, developed by UN DESA, will be launched through regional events in cooperation with the regional commissions and relevant partners. ARADO will complement the adaptation of the training material in its 22 member states. UN ESCWA will present its **Common Arab Regional Job Competencies Framework for Senior Public Servants** within the Context of Agenda 2030 developed by UN ESCWA.

The webinar aims to raise awareness of methodologies and approaches to strengthen effective governance and public institutions in the Arab region. Strengthening the capacity of schools of public administration who are the main actors in the training and who can build the capacity of civil servants for undertaking tasks of policy formulation and implementation is essential to improve the quality and effectiveness of public policy management, implementation, and evaluation in countries across the region and improve the quality of public service delivery. The webinar is also aimed at generating interest in mainstreaming this Curriculum in the training package of the Schools of Public Administration in the different countries of the Arab region.

The Curriculum, which is a holistic and integrated framework, translates the 11 Principles of Effective Governance into practice through capacity development training material on governance and public institutions. It aims to promote critical understanding of sustainable development issues, enhance governance capacity, and strengthen public servants' awareness of their active role in contributing to the achievement of the SDGs. The Curriculum is a comprehensive set of Training of Trainers Capacity Development Toolkits, which contain ready-to-use and customizable training material on key governance dimensions needed to advance the implementation of the SDGs. The Curriculum provides methodologies

and approaches to advance knowledge and assist governments in developing capacities at the individual, organizational, and institutional levels to drive the transformational change to implement the 2030 Agenda.

The Training of Trainers Capacity Development Toolkits are structured around modules that include readings, self-assessment situation analysis, application of theories to concrete issues and challenges, priority setting exercises, through case studies, action planning, and other activities that can assist countries in advancing governance transformation for sustainable development. The Curriculum's Toolkits are made available at no cost on the UNPAN website at unpan.un.org.

The webinar will be conducted in **English** and **Arabic**. It will include an overview presentation of the Curriculum and a brief presentation of each Curriculum's Toolkit. The presentations will be followed by panel discussion and a Q&A session. The webinar will be conducted using video conferencing tools such as zoom and Live Facebook.

The target audience of the webinar includes schools of public administration and institutes of public management in the Arab region, members of the United Nations Public Administration Network (UNPAN) and the UN Resident Coordinator system, as well as open to the public upon registration.

The recordings and the presentations will be posted on the website after the conclusion of the Webinar. The follow-up actions, including key recommendations and knowledge products, will be disseminated through the UN DESA, UN ESCWA and ARADO websites.

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