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AGENDA
CAWTAR/IFC REGIONAL RESEARCH PROJECT MEETING:
"WOMEN ENTREPRENEURS IN MENA"
Hôtel la Maison Blanche, Tunis
September 18-19, 2006

DAY I: 18 SEPTEMBER 2006

Morning session

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| 0900 – 0915 | Welcome and Project Update
Dr. Bouraoui |
| 0915 – 0920 | Introductory comments
Carmen Niethammer |
| 0920 – 0925 | Discussion of Monday agenda, goals
Julie Weeks |
| 0925 – 1030 | Update from country teams on status of data collection/analysis – key accomplishments and challenges
10 minutes for each country team |
| <i>1030 – 1045</i> | <i>Tea/coffee break</i> |
| 1045 – 1230 | Review and discussion of key accomplishments/ challenges thus far – cross-team discussion and learning |
| <i>1230 – 1330</i> | <i>Working lunch (or break to hotel restaurant)</i> |

Afternoon session

- 1330 – 1500 **Review of preliminary study findings**
15 minutes for each country team
- 1500 – 1600 **Agreement on common framework and outline for country executive reports**
Julie Weeks
- 1600 - 1615 Tea/Coffee break*
- 1615 – 1715 **Group discussion, agreement on next steps and schedule**
- 1715 – 1815 **Country team work time, with consultation by IFC & CAWTAR as desired**
- 2030 Group Dinner at the hotel*

DAY II: 19 SEPTEMBER 2006

Morning session

- 0900 – 0915 **Review of previous day – clarify any unanswered questions**
Julie Weeks
- 0915 – 0925 **Introduction of the Day's Agenda**
Dr. Bouraoui
- 0925 – 1000 **Discussion of contacts, relationship-building with journalists**
- 1000 – 1045 **Discussion of research study announcement strategy, possible events – in each country and overall**
- 1045 – 1100 Tea/Coffee break*

1100 – 1300 **Seminar on capacity-building for women’s business associations**
Lisa Heermann

1300 – 1400 *Lunch*

Afternoon session

1400 – 1600 **Seminar on capacity-building for women’s business associations**
Lisa Heermann

1600 – 1615 *Tea/Coffee break*

1615 – 1745 **UNIDO presentation of business centre in Bahrain**
Hashim Hussein

1745 – 1815 **Final discussion, review of next steps**
Julie Weeks

2000 *Dinner at the hotel for the participants staying at the hotel*