



Good Governance for Development (GfD) in Arab Countries Initiative

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FOR THE MEETING OF REPRESENTATIVES OF OECD DELEGATIONS WITH

GFD COUNTRY COORDINATORS

Paris, France
1st March 2006
15.00OECD
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RATIONALE

The meeting aims at briefing OECD delegations on progress and planning of future work of the GfD as well as an exchange with the co-ordinators with the six Arab countries chairing working groups.

The meeting is following the meeting of the national coordinators with the OECD and UNDP secretariat. Its main objectives are to foster a frank exchange on the experiences with the Initiative so far and a discussion on ways forward. The meeting further aims at discussing and contributing to the preparation of the Steering Group Meeting at Ministerial Level in Sharm-el-Sheikh in May 2006.

In particular, discussions will focus on:

- Experiences with the policy dialogue in the regional working group meetings so far.
- The future strategic direction of the Initiative both as
 - A forum for regional policy dialogue and exchange of best practice, and
 - A platform to facilitate donor support for public sector modernization programmes
- Preparations of Country Action Plans, proposals for pilot projects, and facilitation of matching Country Action Plans with potential bilateral support programmes.
- Potential outputs of the Steering Group Meeting at Ministerial Level, including a joint statement on the Country Action Plans

WEDNESDAY, 1ST MARCH 2006

9.30 to 13.00	<i>Meeting of the GfD National co-ordinators with the OECD/UNDP Secretariat</i>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update from Participating Countries and the OECD/UNDP secretariat: Progress made • Preparing for the Steering Group Meeting at Ministerial Level <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Objectives of the Steering Group Meeting at Ministerial Level 2. The process for assessing regional policy priorities: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Questionnaires ○ stocktaking missions ○ peer review/country ownership at the Working Group meetings 3. Country material for the Steering Group Meeting <p><i>Country Action Plans:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Country-based actions ○ Pilot actions ○ Regional actions <p><i>Country Stocktaking:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ National policy priorities ○ Institutional context and realities
15.00-16.30	<p>Meeting of Representatives of OECD delegations with the GfD country co-ordinators:</p> <p>Building Support for the Implementation of the Action Plans for the Steering Group Meeting at Ministerial Level, 20 May 2006, Sharm-el-Sheikh, Egypt (preliminary date).</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Summary of the objectives of the Steering Group Meeting at Ministerial Level, and preparations to date • Regional dialogue and OECD assistance • Working method to elaborate country material for discussion at the Steering Group Meeting - Country Action Plans and Country Stocktaking • Follow up