Cairo, 17 January 2011

Agenda

Launching of the Arabic version of the OECD Report

“Progress in Public Management in the Middle East and North Africa”

Under the chairmanship of
His Excellency Dr. Ahmed Darwish
Minister of State for Administrative Development
Arab Republic of Egypt

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Mena countries have been actively reforming public management systems over the past years. This process has led to a wealth of good practice that, if adopted by all countries in the region, would yield an enabling environment for economic growth and social development. The “Progress in Public Management in the Middle East and North Africa” Report includes country case studies and datasets on nine countries from the region and covers key topics of public management reform, including human resource management, public finance, integrity, regulation and law drafting, administrative simplification, e-government, public-private partnerships, gender, and water resource management.

The report seeks to keep practitioners, legislators, academics, NGOs, members of the donor community and other interested parties informed about recent trends in the field of governance and public management throughout the MENA region. It was produced within the framework of the MENA-OECD Governance Programme and is a first attempt at systematizing more than five years of progress at the regional and national level in the field of public sector reform and modernization. The translation of this report into Arabic is a further necessary step in ensuring that the findings of the report are put to good use. The translation also aims to reinforce the sharing of knowledge between practitioners in the MENA region, allow for more strengthened regional cooperation and induce a more comprehensive dissemination of the good practices contained in it throughout the Arabic-speaking communities.
# Programme

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| 10.00-12.00 | Launching of the Arabic Version of the OECD report “Progress in Public Management in the Middle East and North Africa. Case Studies on Policy Reform”  
Chair: H.E. Dr. Ahmed Darwish, Minister of State for Administrative Development, Arab Republic of Egypt |

**Opening statement:**  
H.E. Dr. Ahmed Darwish, Minister of State for Administrative Development, Arab Republic of Egypt

- **Keynote speeches: Reforming public governance - lessons and challenges.**  
  - Mr. Rolf Alter, Director, Public Governance and Territorial Development Directorate, Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development  
  - H.E. Vincenzo Schioppa, Ambassador of Italy in Libya  
  - Dr. Salwa Sharawi Gomaa, Professor and Head of Public Administration Department, Faculty of Economics and Political Science, Cairo University