



5th International Conference on
CHILDREN & YOUTH IN MENA CITIES
Education Reintegration, Employment and Employability
 6 – 8 July, 2009, Sheraton Hotel, Aleppo, Arab Republic of Syria

CONFERENCE PROGRAM

Pre-Conference: Sunday 5th July 2009

18:00 – 20:00 Arrival Of Participants & Registration At Hotels

Day 1: Monday 6th July 2009

8:00 – 9:00 **Registration**

9:00 – 10:30 **Opening Ceremony**

Recitation From Holy Quran

Welcoming Remarks:

1. Dr. Maan Shibli, Mayor And Chairman Of Aleppo City Council
2. H.E. Abdulla A. Al-Nuaim, Chairman Board Of Trustees And President Of AUDI
3. Syrian Development Commission
4. UNICEF Representative
5. Dr. Osman Nour, The Chairperson Of The Scientific Committee
6. His Excellency Minister Of Local Government
7. Keynote Speech By: Dr. Nader Fergany, The Role Of Arab Youth In Development
8. Job Opportunities, Youth Un-Employment & Mayor's Perception In 5 Arab Cities: **TBA**

Discussion

10:30 – 11:00 **Coffee Break**

11:00 – 14:00 **Session 1: PROBLEMS & CHALLENGES OF CHILDREN AND YOUTH IN THE MENA REGION**

Chairperson: Dr. Nader Kabbani

Eman Qaraeen: Combating Child Labor Thru Education

Madiha Elsafty: Addressing The Vulnerable Children In “Ezbet El Haggana”: A Case Study In A Squatter District In Cairo

Somaya Al-Sayej: Working Together To Protect Palestinian Children In Armed Conflict

Somaya Elalfi: The Findings Of The Street Children Survey In Cairo

Discussion

14:00 – 15:00 **Lunch**

15:00 – 16:30 **Session 2: PROGRAMS FOR REINTEGRATING CHILDREN AND YOUTH IN FORMAL, IN FORMAL AND NON FORMAL EDUCATION**

Chairperson: Seera Aston

Jeroen Smith & Ayse Hosgor : Household And District-Level Determinants Of School Dropout In Five Arab Countries

Saba Mobaslat : A Holistic Approach For Youth Development And Employability

Mona Mustafa Khogali : The Role Of The Government, State Government And Non-

	<p><i>Government Organisations In Achieving The Reintegrating Of School Drop-Outs Back Into Education – (The Experience Of The City Of Khartoum)</i></p> <p><i>Farah Al Shahwan : Children Amman City Council : An Experience of Children's participation.</i></p>	Discussion
Day 2: Tuesday 7th July 2009		
9:30 – 11:30	<p>Session 3: YOUTH EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM: EXPERIENCES AND LESSONS LEARNED FROM ARAB COUNTRIES</p> <p><i>Chairperson: Nader Fergany</i></p> <p><i>Manal Obeida : Youth Career Initiative Program: The Jordan Experience</i></p> <p><i>Abier Mohamed Saleh : The Experiment Of Rural Community Development Project In Jabal Al-Hoss: A Solution For Income Resources In Poor Areas</i></p> <p><i>Samah Goussous : School-to-Career Community-Supported Program: The case of Jordan</i></p> <p><i>Augustine O. Ejiogu : Providing Gainful Employment To The Youth: The National Directorate Of Employment And The Imo Job Centre Examples</i></p>	Discussion
11:30 – 12:00	Coffee Break	
12:00 – 14:00	<p>Session 4: TRAINING, SKILLS DEVELOPMENT FOR YOUTHS</p> <p><i>Chairperson: Dr.TBA</i></p> <p><i>Antoun Al Jouni & Yomna Dalal: Alterance (Enterprise based) Education & Training in Syria (Apprenticeship scheme effectiveness and expansion)</i></p> <p><i>Mohamed Ahmed Malouk: Project Of Local Development Information Centers ORDEV Attempt – Ministry Of Local Development In Youth Employment And Controlling Unemployment Problem</i></p> <p><i>Wafaa Chafi Fathi : Youth Employability Initiative</i></p> <p><i>Amira Taha & Lori Severens : 100 Million Young People: A Wise Investment</i></p> <p><i>Abla El Badry : An Approach For Vocational & Psychological Rehabilitation & Empowerment Of Youth</i></p>	Discussion
14:00 – 15:00	Lunch	
Day 3: Wednesday 8th July 2009		
9:30 – 11:30	<p>Session 5: THE ROLE OF GOVERNMENTAL AND NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS IN REDUCING YOUTH UN-EMPLOYMENT</p> <p><i>Chairperson: Dr. Ibrahim Al-Turki, Executive Director, MENA Child Protection Initiative (CPI)</i></p>	

	<p>Osman Elhasan Md. Nour & Firas Masri : <i>The Role Of Local Governments In Social Development: Elevating Poverty And Combating Unemployment (El Haidaria & Shaikh Khidr Experience)</i></p> <p>Azizah Binti Anuar : <i>Role Of Non-Profit Organisation In Curbing Poverty, Disparities Of Income And Unemployment Among Children, Youth And Disabled People In Malaysia</i></p> <p>Majid Haddad & Yamama Oraibi: <i>Assessing The Effect Of “Know About Business” Program In Intermediate Institutes/ SHABAB Project In Syria</i></p> <p>Narimene Messaoud Boureghda: <i>The Role Of The National Commission To Support Youth Employment</i></p> <p>Adel Abdulrasheed Abdulrazak : <i>Towards An Effective Use Of Sustainable Development Mechanisms In Providing Employment Opportunities For Youth (An Application To Arab Municipalities And Local Authorities)</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">Discussion</p>
11:30 – 12:00	Coffee Break
12:00 – 14:00	<p>POLICY DIALOGUE BETWEEN YOUTHS AND MAYOR ON YOUTH EMPLOYMENT PROGRAMS</p> <p><i>Chairperson:(TBA)</i></p> <p>Participants:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Youths • Mayors Of Municipalities In The MENA Region • NGO's Representative • Representative From Regional & International Organizations <p style="text-align: right;">Discussion</p>
14:00 – 15:00	Lunch
15:00 – 16:00	<p>Closing Session</p> <p><i>Chairperson: H.E. Maan Shabli, Mayor Of Aleppo</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Aleppo Declaration : Dr. Ali Rida Kayyali ▪ Speech Of Mayor Of Aleppo ▪ H.E. Abdulla A. Al-Nuaim, Chairman Of Board Of Trustees And President, AUDI
16:00-17:00	<p>Press Conference</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Mayor Of Aleppo ▪ AUDI President ▪ Chairperson Of The Scientific Committee ▪ Chairperson Of The Organizing Committee

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