Under the patronage of Her Royal Highness (HRH) Princess Muna AlHussein, an expert group meeting was organized to discuss the regional framework for action on strengthening nursing and midwifery in the Eastern Mediterranean Region 2015–2025. The framework is a product of several meetings, including the regional nursing forum on the future of nursing and midwifery in the Eastern Mediterranean Region held in April 2015 that identified key challenges impeding delivery of safe and competent nursing and midwifery care, together with feasible and appropriate solutions. A meeting in Geneva in May 2015 developed a roadmap for addressing the challenges, with short and long-term actions, and a time frame for implementation. A draft framework for action was then presented at the pre-session to the Sixty-second WHO Regional Committee for the Eastern Mediterranean held in Kuwait in October 2015.

The expert group meeting brought together nursing and midwifery professionals and other stakeholders from the Region, along with international experts and WHO staff.

The objectives of the meeting were to:

- finalize the regional framework for action on strengthening nursing and midwifery in the Eastern Mediterranean Region 2016–2025; and

- identify effective ways and action points to operationalize and implement its strategic directions.

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