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Workshop on Road Safety Current Status, challenges and Paving the way towards Safe Roads

Nature of the meeting

The workshop will presents an opportunity for the concerned parties to review the status of Road Traffic Injuries and evaluate the effectiveness of the measures taken so far for reduction of injuries and will also check whether the previous recommendations were put into action or not. The workshop will be helpful in identifying the current existing strengths and gaps in legislations, road construction, management of injuries and awareness campaigns for road safety. The ultimate goal of the workshop will be the promotion of traffic safety by reduction of risk factors through application of proven cost-effective interventions.

Agenda of the Workshop

See attachment

Organization of workshop

- **The opening session** will be attended by HE the Minister of Health, the UN Resident Coordinator and senior level staff from the relevant ministries and sectors as well as representative from the civil defense and Royal Medical Services will also be present. (Opening ceremony program and list of invitees attached)
- **Presentations:** There will be 7 short presentations. Each presentation will not exceed 10 minutes (Guidelines for presentations attached). The content of the presentation will be discussed with the presenters (identified later) and agreed upon before the workshop.
 1. **General assessment** of the current situation of road traffic injuries in Jordan (Presented by Jordan Traffic Institution)
 2. Covering available **legislations** (Presented by Jordan Traffic Dept)
 3. **Road constructions** and accidents (Presented by Ministry of Works & Municipality)
 4. **Transport** and traffic accidents {Presented by Public Transport Regulatory commission (PTRC)}
 5. Traffic **Injuries and Emergency Services** (Presented by Civil Defense)
 6. Forensic Medicine & Traffic Injuries (National Institute of Forensic Medicine)
 7. Road **Safety Measures and Awareness** {Presented by Traffic Awareness Project (RHAS)}

- **Group Work:**

The session will start by a brief introductory plenary on the 4 themes for group discussion. The 4 working groups are:

- Group One: Legislation
- Group Two: Road Construction
- Group Three: Road Traffic Injuries
- Group Four: Road Safety Awareness

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Each group will be issued guideline for the issues to be discussed. The groups' members are also expected to make concrete recommendations in their area of work and explaining the follow up mechanism for the implementation of the recommendations. The 4 groups are expected to present their group work results to the meeting in the plenary and to response to any discussion points raised by the participants.

Documents

A Rapporteur and a co-rapporteur for the workshop will be appointed. The Rapporteurs will prepare a report on the subject and a corresponding draft on recommendations for the consideration of different concerned bodies. These documents will be sent to all participants and relevant ministries and sectors after the workshop.

Presenters of different themes will be invited to submit background papers if available and copies of their presentations.

All material used in workshop and workshop report and recommendations will be compiled in a CD and copies will be distributed to participants and relevant ministries.

Language

The language of the workshop will be Arabic.

Place of the Workshop

The workshop will take place in Raddison SAS on Monday 23 April 2007

Practical arrangements for participations

Senior staff from the concerned ministries and sectors will be requested and encouraged to participate. This will be done through visits to the relevant ministries and meeting senior officials there.

Preparatory Committee

A small Preparatory Committee for the workshop will be formed and hold further meetings for practical preparation for the workshop (see TORs of the committee).

- 1- To assist in the preparation of the presentations
- 2- To agree on final versions of the presentations
- 3- To ensure availability of all relevant material for the presentation (hard copies and other relevant documents) to the participants during the workshop.