

## **Agenda for the ECO-RCC Inception Workshop**

**(23-24 September 2013, Ankara)**

### **23 September 2013, Monday**

09:00-09:30 Registration

09:30-10:00 Opening Session:

- ECO Secretariat, Mr. Hayri Maraşlıoğlu, Deputy Secretary General
- FAO-SEC, Ms. Ayşegül Akın, Assistant FAO Representative
- Ministry of Food, Agriculture and Livestock of Turkey (MFAL), Dr. Nihat Pakdil, Deputy Undersecretary

10:00-10:45 Presentations on RPFS and ECO-RCC

- Presentation by FAO, Mr. Aziz Arya
- Presentation by ECO-RCC, Mr. Ömer Özel

10:45-11:00 Tea/Coffee Break

11:00-12:00 Reviewing the functions, activities and work plan of ECO-RCC

- Statements by the participants on the operation of ECO-RCC
- Expectations of Member States from ECO-RCC

12:00-13:30 Lunch Break

13:30-15:00 Discussion and determination of national and regional food security issues, priorities and cooperation opportunities (Moderator: Mr. Tomasz Lonc, Senior Policy Officer, FAO-SEC)

**Discussion Questions:** (Each participant is expected to make contributions on this context.)

1. What are the policies, programmes, strategies or initiatives currently implemented in your country to improve food security? What is the current status?
2. What are the main food security issues and priorities at national and regional levels?
3. Does the RPFS address these issues and priorities? Is there a need to review and modify the RPFS?
4. What might be the most effective solutions for overcoming food security challenges in the ECO region?
5. What resources and potentials are available in Member States to be used for successful implementation of RPFS?
6. How can we improve cooperation and how can we share responsibilities among Member States?

**Note:** Member State representatives may deliver presentations covering these topics.

15:00-15:15 Tea/Coffee Break

15:15-17:30 Continue to discussion and determination of national and regional food security issues, priorities and cooperation opportunities

17:30 End of the day

## 24 September 2013, Tuesday

09:00-10:45 Partnership Opportunities (Moderator: Dr. Kenan Yalvaç, Director General for EU and Foreign Relations, MFAL)

- Islamic Development Bank (Mr. Nur Abdi, IDB)
- FAO-Turkey Partnership Programme:
  - MFAL (Ms. Deniz Berber, MFAL)
  - FAO (Ms. Ayşegül Akın, FAO-SEC)
- Standing Committee for Economic and Commercial Cooperation of the OIC (COMCEC)
- Turkish Cooperation and Coordination Agency (Ms. Belgin Çağdaş, TİKA)
- Statistical, Economic and Social Research and Training Centre for Islamic Countries (Mr. Efe Kerem Aydın and Mr. Abdulhaki Körbayram, SESRIC)

10:45-11:00 Tea/Coffee Break

11:00-11:30 Cooperation Ideas/Proposals

- Food Security and Project Cycle Management Courses (Mr. Can Devin İçel, ECO-RCC)
- Establishing a Food Security Network
- Knowledge Fair

11:30-12:00 Wrap-up and closure of the Workshop

12:00-13:00 Lunch Break

13:00-18:00 Field Trip

- Polatlı Commodity Exchange,
- Üçpınar Licensed Storage Joint Stock Company and
- Gordion Archaeological Site and Museum

20:00-21:30 Gala Dinner (TİGEM)

**Note** : The workshop languages will be Turkish, English and Russian.

**Venue** : **Hotel Midi Ankara**, (Karyagdi Sokak No:40, Cankaya/ Ankara; Ph. +90 312 409 6434)

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