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Agenda

Informal Consultations On Building the Operational Capabilities of the League of Arab Statesⁱ (Andalusia meeting room)

Tuesday, 30/01/2017

10:00 - 10:30 **Opening Remarks**

- By H.E. Dr. Haifa Abu Ghazaleh, Assistant Secretary-General, Head of Media and Communication Sector, the League of Arab States.
- By Ms. Masa Dikanovic, Coordinator of pre-deployment training, Peacekeeping Training Program, UNITAR

10:30 - 11:30Session I – The Challenges, Peculiarities, and needs of Regional **Crises in the Arab World (Arab/EU Perspectives)**

Presentation/Intervention by Zeid Elsabban, Director of African Horn and Sudan Affairs Department, LAS.

General discussion

11:30 - 12:30Session II – Current Political and Peacekeeping Missions in the Arab World:

Presentations to be provided the following on the longstanding experiences of their organizations in the region:

- Introduction by Yakup Beris, Regional Program Coordinator, UNDP
- Mr. Shayne Gilbert, Chief of the UNSOS Support Team: Presents on DFS

12:30 - 13:00Coffee Break







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13:00 – 15:00 Continuing: Session II – Current Political and Peacekeeping Missions in the Arab World:

- Ms. Maria Kantamigu, Political Affairs Officer (UN DPKO): Presents on UNDOF and UNTSO.
- Ms. Alice Arrure, Senior Political Affairs (UNIFIL): Presents on UNIFIL
- Mr. Victor Poliakov, Senior Political Affairs Officer, Department of Political affairs, Presents on: DPA's operations in the region
- Mr. Mohamed Tabit, Deputy Head of Division (EEAS): Presents on EU civilian missions and lessons learned.
- Mr. Jakub Urbanik (EEAS) on the role of PRISM and the EU's Crisis Response Mechanism.

General discussion

15:30- Luncheon (Lunch at Nile Ritz-Carlton – Culina Hall)

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10:00-12:30 Session III: Working groups: Identifying the needs of LAS

12:30-13:00 *Coffee Break*

13:00-14:30 Session IV: Tailoring the training programs of the League of Arab

States Task Forces.

- Recommendations and Closing Remarks

General discussion

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