Subregional Office for North Africa

ECA/SRO-NA/EGM/2 November 2025 Original: English

Ad Hoc Expert Group Meeting

Enhancing Domestic Resource Mobilization through Digital Technologies in North Africa Rabat, 12 November 2025

Provisional programme of work

Day 2: November 12

8:30 – 9:00 a.m. Registration

9.00 – 9.15 a.m. Opening statements

- Adam El Hairaika, Director, Sub-regional Office for North Africa, Economic Commission for Africa (UNECA)

9.15–11 a.m. Session 1: Domestic resource mobilization in North Africa, experience

sharing

Moderator: Ali Hammad

The first session, *Domestic resource mobilization in North Africa: experience sharing*, will showcase country experiences in enhancing DRM, through tax reform and fiscal governance, enabling participants to exchange lessons and identify common priorities for improved DRM in the subregion.

- "Statistics of revenue mobilization in Africa" Arthur Minsat OECD Development Center
- ECA's work on DRM Adam El Hiraika, ECA-SRO-NA
- Panel with country representatives invited to the ICE:
 - o Tunisia: Adnene Zrour
 - Libya: Mouaad Abdulmajid Enwali
 - o Mauritania: Sidi Mohamed Zenvour
 - o Egypt: Nadine Mohamed Abdelraouf
- General discussion

11 – 11.15 a.m. *Health break*

11.15 – 12.45 p.m. Session 2: Expanding the tax base and increasing remittances

Moderator: TbD

The session will discuss two important key questions for resource mobilization in North Africa, financial inclusion and remittances.

- Financial inclusion and tax base enlargement Dhafer Saidane Skema Business School
- Increasing remittances: lessons from SRO-NA's work Samia Hamouda ECA SRO-NA
- Resilience of remittances, channeling towards investment and contribution to development: Case study of a vehicle for mobilizing financing resources in Tunisia - Sami Mouley – University of Tunis
- General discussion

12.45 – 2.00 p.m. *Lunch*

2.00 –15.45 p.m. Session 3: Leveraging digital technologies to enhance DRM

Moderator: Mostafa El Kaitouni

This session will present innovations in using digital technologies to enhance DRM.

- "Artificial intelligence and tax fraud detection" Christophe Hurlin (Researcher) (online)
- "Using Digital Technologies to Enhance DRM: How to Think Through Options" Aslett Joshua IMF (online)
- Discussion for sharing experience in member states
 - o Egypt (Ali Hammad)
 - o Morocco (Ministry of Finance, name to be confirmed by the ministry)
 - Sudan (Awad Babeker Eisa)
- General discussion

15.45 – 16.15 p.m. *Break*

4.15 – 17.00 p.m. Adoption of recommendations and closing of the ad-hoc expert group meeting