DAY 1- August 8, 2023

REGIONAL CONVENING IN SUPPORT OF PARENTS IN THE EASTERN MEDITERRANEAN, MIDDLE EAST, AND NORTH AFRICA REGIONS

THEME OF THE DAY: CURRENT LANDSCAPE OF PARENTING IN THE REGION

Time	Topic	
12:30	Gathering of Speakers and Organizers	
13:00 in Cairo Time zone	Opening and Welcome Inaugural session	
	SETTING THE SCENE	
13:20	The Rationale and Evidence behind the Global Initiative to Support Parents Progress to Date in Implementation of the Global Initiative to Support Parents	
13:40	Regional Perspectives on Parenting in the Eastern Mediterranean, Middle East, and North Africa Region	
13:50	Life Course Interventions to Support Parents and Other Caregivers: 1. Nurturing Care for Early Childhood Development: Scaling integrated cross-sectoral action to support parents- 2. Status of Parents and Caregivers During Crisis in Six Arab Countries 3. Supporting Caregiver Mental Health	
	TAKING STOCK OF CURRENT LANDSCAPE OF PARENTING IN THE REGION	
14:20	EVIDENCE, STRATEGIES AND APPROACHES Parallel Break Out Sessions	
14:25	 Group A. Supporting Parents In The Early Years 1. Introduction to the Issue: Cross Regional Context of Nurturing Care in Vulnerable and Stable Contexts 2. Nurturing Care in Action in Oman 3. Nurturing Care in Action in Saudi Arabia 4. Discussion on How to Advance these Evidence, Strategies and Approaches in the Region 	

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14:25	Group B. Supporting Parents of Adolescents, and Adolescents as Parents 1. Introduction to the Issue 2. Parenting Pre-Adolescents 3. Adolescent Mothers Against All Odds Program in Syria 4. Discussion on How to Advance these Evidence, Strategies and Approaches in the Region	
14:25	 Group C: Gender Responsive Parenting Introduction -Gender Responsive Parenting- Regional Progress Effective Approaches to Men's Engagement in Early Childhood Development Engaging Private Sector Factory Owners to Reach Men with Parenting in Iraq Discussion on How to Advance these Evidence, Strategies and Approaches in the Region 	
14:25	Group D. Parenting For Children, Adolescents And Families Exposed To Risks And Specific Life Circumstances 1. Introduction to the Issue 2. Regional Perspectives on Engaging Parents to Support Child Rights and Prevent Maltreatment 3. Parenting for Lifelong Health in Turkey, Syria, Sudan and Pakistan 4. Parenting Children with Disability: Helping Parents Enjoy Parenthood 5. Discussion on How to Advance these Evidence, Strategies and Approaches in the Region	
14:25	GROUP E: Supporting Caregiver Mental Health 1. Introductions 2. Innovations in Caregiver Mental Health Programming 3. Innovations in Caregiver Mental Health in Lebanon 4. Innovations in Caregiver Mental Health in Egypt 5. How to Advance these Evidence, Strategies and Approaches in the Region	
15:20	Break and Transition to Plenary Multimedia Interlude	
15:30	Interactive Interlude, on return from Break	
15:35	Sharing from Each Group on How to Advance these Evidence, Strategies and Approaches in the Region	
16:00	End of Session	

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12:30	Gathering of Speakers and Organizers	
13:00	Opening Recap of Day 1 and Introduction to Themes of Day 2	
13:10	EMERGING ISSUES IN PARENTING 1. Parenting in the Age of Digitalization 2. Parenting In Protracted Emergencies And Humanitarian Contexts: Utilizing family skills as a prevention strategy in war and displacement contexts 3. Parenting and The Care Economy 3. Discussion - Questions and Answers	
13:50	IMPLEMENTATION SCIENCE-FROM EVIDENCE TO POLICY TO SCALE	
13:50	Moving From Evidence To Policy To Scale	
14:00	Measuring The Impact of Parenting Interventions - Emerging Best Practice in the Middle East and North Africa region: Leveraging and Supporting Caregivers to Provide High Quality Remote Early Child Education	
14:10	Scaling Parenting Interventions: Morocco-Results-Based Finance Through Civil Society to Support Government Scaling	
14:20	Discussion	
14:37	Multimedia - Interlude as Participants return from break	Interfaith Media Messages on Parenting - <u>Al Moufti el Cheikh</u> <u>Ahmad Taleb</u>
14:40	Parallel Session A Policies and Services	Parallel Session B: Platforms for Reaching Parents
	 Introduction -Moderator Frames and Weaves the Issues Together (Neha Kapil, UNICEF) Policy Development: How Institutions Can Support Policy that Advances Parenting -(Hala Mohamed/Sharifa Al-Emadi, Doha International Family Institute) Social Protection Sector Programming and Policy Support To Parents: The Case of Egypt (Dr Amal Zaki, Ministry of Social Solidarity, Egypt)	 Introduction -Moderator Frames and Weaves the Issues Together -Mohammed Abu Suleiman, UNICEF) Utilizing Multiple Platforms to Reach Caregivers in Lebanon: Qudwa-Evoking Transformational Change for Children(Zeina Merhi, UNICEF Lebanon) Platforms For Reaching The Public On Parenting In Tunisia: From Barbers To Taxi Drivers (Mohamed Khouini, Tunisian Union of Social Solidarity) Questions and Answers- On Key Points on How to Utilize Diverse Platforms Reach Parents Faith-Based Platforms For Reaching Parents-Nurturing Spiritual Development For Prevention Of Violence (Neelam Fida, Islamic Relief and Development Mobile Platforms: Reaching parents through mobile midwives in Afghanistan (Noor Khanum Ahmadzai, Terres des Hommes) Discussion On Key Points Raised on Advance Uptake of Diverse Platforms to Reach Parents
15:40	Group Read Out on the Sessions	
16:00	Closing and End of Session	Moderator

DAY 3- August 10, 2023

THEME OF THE DAY: LOOKING AHEAD TO THE WAY FORWARD

Time	Topic
12:30	Gathering of Speakers and Organizers
13:00	Looking Ahead to the Way Forward
13:00	Recap of Day 2 and Introduction to the Theme of the Day
13:10	Keynote Address: Resourcing Parenting Interventions: Engaging Government, Development Partner, Philanthropy and Private Sector
13:30	Remarks and Reflections on Upcoming Directions in the Field of Parenting
13:40	Panel Discussion Covering topics such as: Engaging Cross-Sectoral Action To Support Parents, Optimizing Existing Platforms To Reach Parents and Resourcing Parenting Interventions
14:00	Questions and Discussion
14:10	Group Work: Way Forward Four Facilitated Groups to Discuss Priority Next Steps and Action Plans In Our Context
14:50	Break
15:00	Multimedia
15:05	Feedback from the Groups
15:40	Closing Remarks
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