

Expert Group Meeting on
“**INNOVATION FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT IN IDB MEMBER COUNTRIES**”
18-19 February 2013- IDB Headquarters, Jeddah, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

Tentative Program

Day One: Monday 18 February 2013

8:30-8:55 Welcoming Reception and Group-Photo Session, 1st Floor, IDB Tower

INAUGURAL SESSION

9:00-9:05 Recitation from the Holy Qur'an

9:05- 9:25 Welcoming Address by H.E. Dr. Ahmad Mohamed Ali, President, IDB Group
9:30- 9:45 Presentations on Innovation by IDB

9:45- 10:00 Coffee Break

10:00-11:15 **Session One: Innovation and Economic Development:
Global Perspectives**

Moderator: Representative of Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, USA

Speakers:

- 1. Professor Calestous Juma**
Director of Science, Technology, Globalization, Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs, Harvard University, USA
- 2. Professor Mahendhiran Nair**
Monash University, Malaysia

Followed by Discussions

11:15-12:15 **Session Two: Grassroots Innovation**

Moderator:

Speakers:

- 1. Professor Yaw Nyarko**
Centre for Technology and Economic Development, UAE
- 2. Professor Anil K. Gupta**
Executive Vice-Chair, National Innovation Foundation, India
- 3. Dr. Hayat Sindi**
CEO and Founder of the Institute of Imagination and Ingenuity (i2 Institute), Saudi Arabia. She is also UNESCO Goodwill Ambassador for Sciences in 2012.

Followed by Discussions

12:15-14:00 **Lunch**

14:00-16:00 **Session Three: Innovation Capabilities in IDB Member Countries:
Challenges and Opportunities**

Moderator:

Speakers:

- 1. Dr. S. Tanveer Kauser Naim** (IDB Members Countries)
Consultant to COMSTECH, Pakistan
- 2. Dr. M. Zuhail** (Case Study: Indonesia)
Republic of Indonesia
- 3. Datuk Dr. Hamzah Kassim** (Case Study : Malaysia)
CEO, The iA Group, Malaysia

4. **Dr. Khalid M. Al-Ruwaihi** (Case Study: Bahrain)
Executive Director, Bahrain Centre for Strategic, International and Energy Studies, Bahrain

Followed by Discussions

Day Two: Tuesday 19 February 2013

9:00-10:15

Session Four: Sectoral Innovation

Moderator:

Speakers

1. **IFPRI** (*Food security and food safety*)
2. **Dr. Rana Dajani** (Education)
The Hashemite University, Jordan
3. **Dr Ibrahim Abdul Matin**, (Halal Industry)
Environmental Policy Consultant and Author, USA
4. **Ms. Gauri Singh** (Renewable Energy)
Director, Knowledge Management and Technology Cooperation, International Renewable Energy (IRENA), Abu Dhabi, UAE
5. **Representative of Bank Negara**, (Islamic Finance)
Malaysia
6. **Dr Lerwen Liu** (Nanotechnology)
Managing Director, NanoGlobe, Australia

Followed by Discussions

10:15-10:30

Coffee Break

10:30-12:15

Session Five: Fostering Cooperation and Partnerships for Innovation

Moderator:

Speakers

1. **SESRIC**
2. **UNDP**
3. **OECD**
4. **World Bank**
5. **South Korea-Turkey Knowledge-Sharing Program**

Followed by Discussions

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Lunch

14:00-15:00

Wrap-Up Session

Moderator

- Summary and recommendations
- Closing Remarks