



FAO REGIONAL CONFERENCE FOR THE NEAR EAST

Thirty-seventh Session

Amman, Jordan, 5-8 February 2024 and 4-5 March 2024

Provisional Timetable

Senior Officers Meeting 5-8 February 2024

Monday, 5 February – Day 1

Morning (10.00-12.30 hours)

	Agenda Item	Item N°	Document N°
10.00 hours	Opening of the Senior Officers Meeting		
	Adoption of the Agenda and Timetable	1	NERC/24/1/REV1 NERC/24/INF/2/REV1
	Election of the Chairperson, Vice Chairpersons and Appointment of the Rapporteur	2	
	Statement by the FAO Regional Representative for the Near East and North Africa	3	
	Statement to the Senior Officers Meeting by the Chairperson of the 37th Session of the Regional Conference for the Near East	4	NERC/24/INF/6
	Regional and Global Policy and Regulatory Matters		
11.00 hours	Accelerating Transformation of Agrifood Systems in the Near East and North Africa	5	
14.00 hours	Summary of the Recommendations of Regional Commissions and Major Meetings in the Near East	6	NERC/24/INF/11

Documents can be consulted at www.fao.org

15.30 hours	Promoting Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment in Agrifood Systems in the Near East and North Africa	7	NERC/24/INF/28
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Tuesday, 6 February – Day 2

Morning (10.00-13.00 hours)

	Agenda Item	Item N°	Document N°
10.00 hours	Enabling Inclusive and Sustainable Rural Transformation in the Near East and North Africa	8	NERC/24/4
11.30 hours	Accelerating Transformation Towards Sustainable Markets, Trade and Consumption	9	NERC/24/5

Afternoon (14.00-17.00 hours)

14.00 hours	Greening Agriculture: Towards Transformation to Efficient and Climate-Resilient Agrifood Systems	10	NERC/24/6
15.30 hours	Anticipatory Action to address the impacts of compounded crises	11	NERC/24/7
	Farmers Field Schools (FFS) portfolio in the region	12	

Wednesday, 7 February – Day 3

Morning (10.00-13.00 hours)

	Agenda Item	Item N°	Document N°
	Programme and Budget Matters		
10.00 hours	The Strategic Framework, Priorities, and Results in the Region	13	NERC/24/2-3
	Decentralized Offices network	20	NERC/24/8
11.20 hours	Update on the Implementation of the FAO Science and Innovation Strategy	14	
	Update on the Implementation of the FAO Strategy on Climate Change	15	
	Financing to end hunger for today and tomorrow (SDG 2)	16	NERC/24/INF/19
12.10 hours	Building Resilience through Transforming Agrifood Systems.	17	NERC/24/11
	Global and Regional Food Security Outlook	18	NERC/24/10
	How to fight against Food Loss and Waste	19	NERC/24/9

Afternoon (14.00 – 17.00 hours)

- 14.00 hours Side Event: Presentation of the FAORNE Strategic Support through the initiatives of Regional Observatory and Leadership Academy
- 15.30 hours Side Event: Integrated and Nexus Approaches to Coping with Water Scarcity

Thursday, 8 February – Day 4**Morning (10.00- 13.00 hours)**

- 10:00 hours Side Event: Small-Scale Fisheries (SSF) and Illuminating Hidden Harvest (IHH) in SSF
- 11:30 hours Side Event: The Arab Forum for Rural Advisory Services (AFRAS)

Afternoon (14.00-16.30 hours)

	Agenda Item	Item N°
14.00 hours	Any other matters	21
	Review of the Ministerial Declaration	22
	Adoption of the Report of the Senior Officers Meeting	23

Ministerial Session 4 - 5 March 2024

Monday, 4 March – Day 1

Morning (09.00-12.00 hours)

	Agenda Item	Item N°	Document N°
09.00 hours	Inaugural Ceremony		
	Statement by the FAO Director-General	24	NERC/24/INF/4
	Statement by the Independent Chairperson of the FAO Council	25	NERC/24/INF/5
	Statement by the Chairperson of the 37th Session of the Regional Conference for the Near East	26	NERC/24/INF/6
	Statement by the Chairperson of the Committee on World Food Security (CFS)	27	NERC/24/INF/7
	Statement by the Spokesperson of the Civil Society Organizations	28	NERC/24/INF/8
	Statement by the Spokesperson of the Private Sector	29	NERC/24/INF/9
	Round Table Discussions		
10.30 hours	Ministerial Round Table I: Enabling Inclusive and Sustainable Rural Transformation in the Near East and North Africa	30	

Afternoon (13.00-16.00 hours)

13.00 hours	Ministerial Round Table II: Accelerating Transformation Towards Sustainable Markets, Trade and Consumption	31	
14.30 hours	Ministerial Round Table III: Greening Agriculture: Towards Transformation to Efficient and Climate-Resilient Agrifood Systems	32	
16.00 hours	Regional Hand-in-Hand Investment Forum	38	

Tuesday, 5 March – Day 2

Morning (11.00-13.30 hours)

11.00 hours	Ministerial Round Table IV: Anticipatory Action to address the impacts of compounded crises.	33	
12.30 hours	Ministerial Roundtable V: Foresight Drivers and Triggers relevant to the NENA region	34	NERC/24/INF/29

Afternoon (15.00-17.30 hours)

	Ministerial Special Events.		
15:00 hours	- Science, Innovation and Digitalization to accelerate Transformation of Agrifood Systems	35	

	- Transforming Agrifood Systems in Small Island Developing States (SIDS), Least Developed Countries (LDCs) and Landlocked Developing Countries (LLDCs)	36
	- FAO Flagship Initiatives	37
	- Regional Hand-in-Hand Investment Forum	38
17.00 hours	Adoption of the Ministerial Declaration	39
	Adoption of the Report of the Regional Conference	40
	Date and Place of the 38th Session of the Regional Conference for the Near East	41
	Closure of the Regional Conference	