

# Green Jobs in the Middle East and North Africa?

## Potentials for Employment in a Sustainable Economy

### Conference Program

*Location: Hotel Africa, Tunis, Tunisia*

#### June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2015

19H00                      **Welcome Dinner**, Hotel Africa

#### June 4<sup>th</sup>, 2015

09H00 - 09H30

##### **Welcome:**

- Richard Probst, Deputy Resident Director, Coordinator for Regional Programs, FES Jordan
- Andreas Reinike, Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Germany
- Nejb Derouiche, Minister of Environment, Republic of Tunisia, tbc

09H30 - 11H00

##### **Panel 1: Green Jobs in the MENA Region: Current State and Future Potentials**

*Chair and commentary: Tarek Keskes*

Intervention 1:    *Martin Jänicke, FU Berlin, Germany: “Green Jobs and Green Growth. An introduction into the concept”*

Intervention 2:    *Mohamed Draouf, Egypt: “Green Growth/Jobs in the MENA-Region”*

Intervention 3:    *Sami Marouki, ARSE, Tunisia: “Green Jobs in the Maghreb”*

*Discussion*

11H00 - 11H30

Coffee break

11H30 - 13H00

##### **Panel 2: Renewable Energy and its Social and Employment Implications**

*Chair and commentary: Dhamir Mannai, former MP, Tunisia*

Intervention 4:    *Abdelkarim Ghazal, ANME, Tunisia: “Renewable Energy in Tunisia: Framework and current state, question of energy subsidies”*

Intervention 5:    *Mostafa El Jamea, MENARES, Morocco: “Renewable Energy in Morocco”*

Intervention 6: *Howaida Barakat, Egypt: “Renewable Energy and the labor market in Egypt”*

Intervention 7: *Philip Ulrich, GWS, Germany: “Renewable Energy in Germany: Which impact on the labor market?”*

*Discussion*

13H00 – 14H30 Lunch break (Buffet)

14H30 – 16H00 **Panel 3: Green Jobs in Recycling, Tourism and Agriculture**

*Chair and commentary: Hussien Al Kisswani, FES Jordan*

Intervention 8: *Melik Guellaty, Tunisia: “Turning waste into wealth: Prospects for Tunisia’s job market?”*

Intervention 9: *Besma Belbedjaoui, Algeria: „Recycling in Algeria“*

Intervention 10: *Abdullah Klob, Ecotourism Specialist, Royal Society for the Conservation of Nature, Jordan: “Sustainable Tourism in Jordan and the Region”*

Intervention 11: *Mohamed Hashem, Cairo University, Egypt: “More money, more jobs in organic agriculture in North Africa?”*

*Discussion*

16H00 – 16H30 Coffee break

16H30 – 18H00 **Debate: Strengthening the Legal Framework and Social Acceptance for Green Jobs and Sustainable Growth in the MENA region**

*Chair: Richard Probst, FES Jordan*

Participants:

- Jawad Anani, Head of Energy Committee, Jordanian Senate
- Moncef Sellami, Vice-Head of Energy Committee, Tunisian Parliament
- Leyla Bahri, Member of the Tunisian Parliament
- Gyula Hegyi, Former MEP, Hungary
- Representatives of Trade Unions (UGTT, ITUC)

18H30 **End of the conference**

19H00 **Bus Transfer from the Hotel to Restaurant Spigola, La Goulette**