

Tuesday, 1 May 2018

Venue: Hotel El Mouradi Africa  
50 Avenue Habib Bourguiba, 1001 Tunis

- 11:00 – 11:30 | Arrival of the Participants
- 11:00 – 11:30 | Arab and German Education Working Group Meeting (AGYA members only)  
Meeting room “Nil 2” [2nd Floor]
- 19:00 | Welcoming Words and Get-together Dinner at Hotel  
Restaurant “Le Buffet” [1st Floor]

Wednesday, 2 May 2018

Venue: Higher Institute of Human Sciences of Tunis (ISSHT)  
Conference Room “Paul Ricoeur”  
26, Avenue Darghouth Pacha – Tunis

- 08:30 – 09:00 | Bus Transfer from Hotel to the ISSHT
- 08:30 – 09:30 | Registration
- 09:30 – 10:30 | Opening Ceremony  
**Chair: Dr. Henda Mahmoudi**  
International Center for Biosaline Agriculture (ICBA), UAE  
Member of the AGYA Steering Committee
- 09:30 – 09:40 | Welcome Speech  
**Prof. Dr. Nouredine Naifar**  
Director of the Higher Institute of Human Sciences of Tunis (ISSHT), University of Tunis El Manar
- 09:40 – 09:50 | Welcome Speech and Introduction of AGYA  
**Prof. Dr. Ahmed El-Guindy**  
AGYA Co-President
- 09:50 – 10:00 | Speech  
**H.E. Dr. Andreas Reinicke**  
German Ambassador to Tunisia (tbc)
- 10:00 – 10:10 | Speech  
**Dr. Khalil Amiri**  
State Secretary in charge of Scientific Research, Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research (MHESR)
- 10:10 – 10:20 | Speech  
**Prof. Dr. Fethi Sellaouti**  
President of University of Tunis El Manar
- 10:20 – 10:30 | Group Photo
- 10:30 – 11:00 | Coffee Break
- 11:00 – 13:30 | **PANEL 1: THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT**

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**Chair: Prof. Dr. Ahmad El-Guindy**  
Texas A&M University at Qatar, AGYA Co-President  
Panelists:

**Prof. Dr. Chedly Abdely**  
National Agency of Scientific Research Promotion (ANPR), Tunisia  
“Tools Implemented by the National Agency for Scientific Research Promotion to Boost the Employability of Young Researchers and Innovative Entrepreneurship”

**Prof. Dr. José Luis Araus**  
Professor Plant Physiology, Section of Plant Physiology, Faculty of Biology, University of Barcelona, Spain  
“The Case of Spain, a South European Country: Somewhere in Between or Not?”

**Prof. Dr. Nouredine Naifar**  
Director of the Higher Institute of Human Sciences of Tunis (ISSHT), University of Tunis El Manar  
“Quelle Formation Universitaire pour quelle Employabilité en Tunisie d’Aujourd’hui?”

**Lunch at Fondouk El Attarine, Souk Attarine, Tunis**

**PANEL 2: COLLABORATION BETWEEN ARAB COUNTRIES AND GERMANY FOR GRADUATES EXCHANGE**

**Chair: PD Dr. Salma Balazadeh**  
Max Planck Institute of Molecular Plant Physiology, AGYA member  
Panelists:

**Mrs. Beate Schindler-Kovats**  
Director of the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) Office in Tunis  
“The DAAD in the Maghreb-Region: Activities - Programmes - Lessons Learnt”

**Prof. Dr. Bernd Müller-Röber**  
University of Potsdam, Germany  
“The Organization of the Research Infrastructure in Germany – Where Scientists Find Their Jobs”

**PANEL 3: HOW DOES EDUCATION AFFECT EMPLOYMENT RATES?**

**Chair: Dr. Anis Ben Amor**  
Higher Institute of Human Sciences of Tunis (ISSHT), University of Tunis El Manar, AGYA member  
Panelists:

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Thursday, 3 May 2018

Venue: Higher Institute of Human Sciences of Tunis (ISSHT)  
Conference Room “Paul Ricoeur”  
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08:30 – 09:00 | Bus Transfer from Hotel to the ISSHT

09:00 – 11:00 | **PANEL 1: SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH PROMOTION AND IMPACT ON EMPLOYMENT**  
**Chair: Dr. Ahmed Debez**  
Center of Biotechnology of Borj-Cedria, AGYA member  
Panelists:

09:00 – 09:30 | **Mr. Ghazi Jawad Al Jabri**  
Capacity Building Specialist, International Center for Biosaline Agriculture (ICBA), UAE  
“Education Beyond Limitations: Voices from the Field”

**Dr. Sami Hannachi**  
Higher Institute of Human Sciences of Tunis

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(ISSHT), University of Tunis El Manar  
**Mr. Edjadessiba Marc**  
Promoter and Manager of Local Development Initiatives, University of Liège in Belgium  
“Agriculture and Processing Sectors as a Source of Youth Employment”

**COFFEE BREAK**  
**PANEL 2: ACADEMICS IN STEM AND EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES**

**Chair: Prof. Dr. Ahmed Sakhrieh**  
American University of Ras Al Khaimah (AURAK), UAE, AGYA member  
Panelists:

**Prof. Dr. Mousa Mohsen**  
Dean of the American University of Ras Al Khaimah (AURAK), UAE  
“Challenges and Expectations in Academia and Industry Collaboration”

**Dr. Moez Ben Messaoud**  
Institute of Press and Information Sciences (IPSI), Tunisia  
**Dr. Lassaad Mouelhi**  
Director of the Department of Educational Sciences, Higher Institute of Education and Continuing Education of Tunis

“Education à l’Entrepreneuriat, Orientation Universitaire, Réforme de l’Enseignement Supérieur et Employabilité en Tunisie”

**Lunch at Fondouk El Attarine, Souk Attarine, Tunis**

**PANEL 3: SOCIAL CHANGE AND THE RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT**

**Chair: Dr. Olfa Khelifi**  
University of Tunis El Manar, Higher Institute of Applied Biological Sciences (ISSBAT), AGYA Member  
Panelists:

**Prof. Dr. Matthias Weiter**  
Humboldt University, Berlin, Germany  
“Education, Economic Development and Employment”

**Prof. Dr. Abdelwahab Cherni**  
Department of Sociology, Higher Institute of Human Sciences of Tunis (ISSHT), University of Tunis El Manar  
“Social Sciences and Employment”

15:00-15:30 **Mrs. Pia Zachrisson**  
Mentorship, Labor Management & Administration, Helsingborg, Sweden  
“Mentorship for Immigrants with Clear Professional Identity, City of Helsingborg”

15:30-16:00 | Coffee Break

16:00-17:30 | Visit of the StartUp Haus Tunis, a German-Arab project that is implemented by enpact in cooperation with the Westerwelle Foundation, 71 Avenue Jean Jaurès, Tunis

17:30-18:00 | Bus Transfer from StartUp Haus Tunis to the Hotel

19:30 | Dinner at Dar Belhadj, Rue du Tamis, Tunis

Friday, 4 May 2018

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8:30-9:00 | Bus Transfer from Hotel to the ISSHT

9:00-10:00 **PANEL 1: EFFECTIVE EDUCATION FOR EMPLOYMENT: A GLOBAL PERSPECTIVE**

**Chair: Dr. Anis Ben Amor**  
Higher Institute of Human Sciences of Tunis (ISSHT), University of Tunis El Manar, AGYA member

Panelists:

9:00-9:30 **Dr. Omar Ahmed Siddig Almagzoob**  
Sultan Qaboos University, College of Arts and Social Sciences, Muscat, Oman  
“Academic Accreditation and its Impact on Employment, Empirical Evidence from the Gulf States”

9:30-10:00 **Mrs. Khawla Konyina**  
Humboldt University, Germany  
“Youth Employment: Education, and Other Framework Conditions”

10:00-10:30 | Coffee Break

10:30-11:30 **PANEL 2: EFFECTIVE EDUCATION FOR EMPLOYMENT: ENABLING ENVIRONMENTS**

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**Chair: Dr. Henda Mahmoudi**  
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Member of the AGYA Steering Committee

**Dr. Yousri Daly**  
Assistant Professor of Higher Education, Department of Psychology, Higher Institute of Human Sciences of Tunis (ISSHT), University of Tunis El Manar  
“Enabling Anthropology: Case Study”

**Mrs. Jehad Al Rajabi**  
Novel Writer, Amman, Jordan  
“Reading and Education”

**FORUM EXPERT DISCUSSION:**

The Effects of Level of Education on Mobility between Employment and Unemployment in Arab Countries and Germany: Exchange of Academics and its Impact  
**Moderator: Prof. Dr. Ahmad El-Guindy**  
Texas A&M University at Qatar, AGYA Co-President

**NGOs Representatives**  
**Representative of DAAD Office Tunis**  
Panelists  
**Dr. Nadia Hanana-Marzouki**  
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**Mr. Hesham N. Athamneh**  
Manager of Director General Office, Director of Public Relation and International Cooperation Unit, National Center for Agricultural Research and Extension NCARE, Jordan

**Dr. Mariam Dadashzadeh**  
Allameh Tabataba'i University, Tehran  
**Eng. Nadia Al-Khassawneh**  
Head of Private Nurseries, National Project Coordinator of the Invasive Plant *Solanum elaeagnifolium* in the Near East, Amman, Jordan

| Distribution of Certificates  
| Lunch at Fondouk El Attarine, Souk Attarine, Tunis  
| Bus Transfer from ISSHT to the Hotel  
| Tour in the Old City of Tunis  
| Dinner at Dar El Jeld Restaurant, 5 Rue Dar El Jeld, Tunis

Day 5: Saturday, 5 May 2018  
Venue: Hotel El Mouradi Africa  
50 Avenue Habib Bourguiba, 1001 Tunis

| Wrap-Up Session & Arab and German Education Working Group Meeting (AGYA Members only):  
| Departure of the Participants

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