

2018 MEL CONFERENCE

Self Reliance and Sustainability

July 23-24, 2018
Breakout Sessions Descriptions

DAY ONE (JULY 23, 2018)

NO	SESSION TITLE	SESSION DESCRIPTION	SESSION FACILITATOR(S)
1	The role of M&E in grant-making: Finding the balance	The goal of this session is to engage IPs to jointly look at how M&E fits into the various stages of the grant-making cycle (design, competition, due diligence, award, monitoring and close-out) and to jointly identify best practices for future consideration.	Kinda Jaradat Senior M&E Specialist (CIS)
2	Introduction to qualitative research in M&E (data collection & analysis)	This session is intended for MEL practitioners who work with qualitative data to tell a story, establish a baseline, or report on program progress. This session will provide a basic understanding of qualitative research with a focus on coding qualitative data both inductive and deductive.	Mohammad Allahham Regional M&E Coordinator (IRI)
3	Planning and measuring sustainability	Donors and beneficiaries alike have a shared interest in sustainable interventions that maximize return on investment, while also contributing to optimal achievement of development outcomes on the long run. However, it is not always obvious to practitioners how best to embed sustainability into their activities, much less how to measure it over the course of the activity life (and beyond). This session will discuss key components to ensuring sustainability of development interventions, with focus on the Jordanian context, and will walk participants through the process of developing and tracking a sustainability plan for their interventions.	Maram Barqawi Senior M&E Specialist (WMI) Helena Hlavaty Research, M&E Coordinator (WMI)
4	Community-based sustainable GIS M&E	This session will describe how SCHEP utilized participatory M&E approaches in Wadi Rum in evaluating rock art panels through the “Rock Art Stability Index (RASI)”	Zaid Kashour M&E Officer (SCHEP) Saleh Noaimat Head of M&E Department (Wadi Rum Protected Area Authority)

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DAY TWO (JULY 24, 2018)

NO	SESSION TITLE	SESSION DESCRIPTION	SESSION FACILITATOR
1	Demographic Health Survey (DHS): Key findings	For over 20 years, DHS data has been collected in Jordan and offers a rich repository of learning and trend analysis for health and development partners. This session will share the key findings of the 2017 survey.	<p>Dr. Nagham Abu Shaqra Senior Population and Health Advisor/Project Management Specialist (USAID)</p> <p>Erica Nybro Senior Communications Advisor (ICF)</p>
	Measuring cost of population growth on the development of Jordan	JCAP utilized the Resources for Awareness of Population Impacts on Development (RAPID) tool to show the impact of population growth on Jordan's development goals. This session will share the findings of this analysis and show a video that outlines the cost of population growth on Jordan in two scenarios of fertility decline (fast and slow).	<p>Mona Abdeljawad Senior Advocacy and Policy Advisor (JCAP)</p> <p>Ibraheem Hayek Senior Advocacy and Policy Specialist (JCAP)</p>
2	Advanced business intelligence tools for busy MEL staff; Microsoft Power BI, & Excel vs Access.	Are you a busy MEL practitioner? Do you struggle with multi-sheets databases or data disaggregation and want to take your data to the next level? This session will show how to create cross-tabulations using Excel vs Access, manage relationships within spread sheets, build interactive business intelligence dashboards and maps, and share them on the web.	<p>Hayat Askar M&E Manager (HRH2030)</p> <p>Mahdi Mansour Director of Monitoring, Evaluation & Learning (Youth Power)</p>
3	Gender priorities in numbers	This session will share the findings of two national surveys on gender perceptions and access to services, discuss the status and priorities of women in Jordan, and show how an M&E practitioner can support gender priorities.	<p>Reem Abdel Hadi Senior M&E, Learning Lab and Community of Practice Specialist (TAKAMOL)</p>
	Gender in evaluation – From global context to local perspective	This session will introduce participants to gender concepts and application in evaluation. This session will start by introducing Goal 5 in the SDGs and its importance at global context showing how it is interpreted in the implementation of the development projects operating by different donors.	<p>Abeer Hakouz EvalJordan Board Member/ EvalGender+ MENA Focal Point</p>
4	Scaling up development interventions	This session will discuss the concept of scaling up successful development interventions, designing and managing projects with scale up in mind, and considerations for adapting MEL and reporting to meet requirement for successful scaling.	<p>Larry Cooley President Emeritus and Senior Advisor (MSI)</p>