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Concept Note:

Discussion meeting about the World Population Day

**in cooperation and coordination with
the United Nations Population
Division (UNPD)**

16 July 2024

Using technical media

(Remotely)





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Date & Time



16 July 2024
Muscat Time ، 12:00 PM – PM15:00

Organizer

Statistical Centre for the Cooperation Council for the Arab States of the Gulf in cooperation and coordination with the United Nations Population Division

Language



Arabic and English (with simultaneous interpretation)



Introduction

The Gulf Cooperation Council statistical office for the Arab Gulf States (**GCC-Stat**) organizes the event of the World Population Day, in cooperation and coordination with the United Nations Population Division (**UNPD**). GCC-Stat proposed to organize a (remote) event that includes a discussion session in cooperation with the UNPD with the participation of national statistical offices and the presence of some regional and international organizations.

This proposal of conducting this event, widely welcomed by all attendees of last regional workshop which was held in December 2023, in cooperation with the UNPD and was focused on the updated methodology for estimating the population of World Population Prospects (**WPP**).

UNPD produce WPP, and the last version will be published in July, 2024, as part of the World Population Day celebration (July 11). It is planned that the UNPD will review population estimates for the Gulf Cooperation Council countries (**GCC-countries**)

As agreed at the last workshop, the suitable date of this event to be before or after July, 11. Since most of our colleagues in UNPD are busy with a number of different international events during World Population Day, So July, 16 was chosen to organize this event.

The organization of this event coincides with the update of the general framework of the methodology for WPP. The new methodology represents better displays of population size and its composition in the GCC countries and whole world.

This event is a continuation of the efforts made by GCC-Stat and NSO's in **GCC-countries** during the past years in cooperation with the relevant international organizations on population which based on the importance of indicators related to the current and future population size and composition of the GCC countries.

Also it is an opportunity to highlight the efforts of the Gulf countries in developing population statistics and providing international organizations with the latest population and vital data.



Objectives

The purpose of holding this event is to celebrate World Population Day in partnership with the United Nations Population Division .It is important to understand updated methodology for calculating population estimates and projections in the World Population Prospects. The main objective to review the population estimates results of the GCC-countries that will be published in the next edition of WPP in July, 2024.

This event also represents a good opportunity to pay tribute to the efforts of Member States in providing the latest data with the required details to international organizations. This data will help organizations make estimates based on updated official data from countries.

Participants

- Representatives of the United Nations Population Division.
- Representatives of relevant regional and international organizations.
- Specialists in population statistics (estimates and projections) in NSO's
- Regional and sub-regional office of the United Nations Population Fund.
- Population statistics specialists at the Gulf Statistical Centre.
- The General Secretariat of the Gulf Cooperation Council and other Gulf offices and organizations.

Speakers

- Population Statistics Expert from the United Nations Population Division Dr. Sarah Hertog.
- Population statistics specialists in the GCC-Stat.

Language

The workshop will be held in Arabic and English with simultaneous interpretation.



Discussion Meeting Programme

Day	Date	Time
Tuesday	16 July 2024	12:00 – 15:00

Subject

First session “ opening “

An opening speech by H.E. Director General of the GCC stat on the occasion of World Population Day

Speaker

GCC-Stat

Time

10 min.

Speech by the United Nations Population Division

UNPD

10 min.

Presentation about:

- The importance of celebrating World Population Day.
- An overview of the updated methodology for population estimates and projections and the differences from the previous methodology.

UNPD

30 min.

discussion

10 min.

10 minutes break

Presentation about:

An overview of the efforts made regarding the achievement progress in population estimates during the period 2019-2024.

GCC-Stat

10 min.

Second session

Reviewing the results of population estimates and projection for the GCC countries based on estimates of world population prospects.

UNPD

40 min.

Closing discussion

20 min.

For all participants

We welcome any contributions to participate in the event by speech or by Presentation



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