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Ministry of Labour and ILO to examine challenges, opportunities for Decent Work in Lebanon

Beirut (ILO News) – The Ministry of Labour and the ILO launched a public consultation on the state of the Lebanese labour market on Wednesday (September 26), ahead of the publication of a joint report that examines employment creation, social protection, social dialogue and rights at work in Lebanon.

Participants at the first consultative meeting included representatives of the Ministries of Social Affairs, Industry, Health and Agriculture; the Central Administration for Statistics and the National Social Security Fund; workers' and employers' organizations; and expert practitioners, researchers and academics.

The report on "The Decent Work Country Policy Analysis for Lebanon" will explore labour market outcomes (such as employment, unemployment and wages) against economic and labour policies such as labour regulations, social protection, collective bargaining and social dialogue, and migration management.

It will pay particular attention to policy coherence across various government sectors and the impacts on decent work in Lebanon.

Due to be released in late 2012, the report is part of the ILO's technical assistance to the Lebanese Ministry of Labour and social partners. It will promote the integration and mainstreaming of labour and social protection policies; assist in the prioritization of policies and programmes within the Ministry of Labour; and inform the design of the technical cooperation programme between the Ministry and the ILO towards the determination of a Decent Work Country strategy for Lebanon.

For more on the "Decent Work Country Policy Analysis for Lebanon", please visit:

http://www.ilo.org/public/english/region/arpro/beirut/what/events/2012/dwcpolicy_leb_2012/index.htm

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