

Mission Report

1. General:

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Purpose of the Mission	 10/4/2019 to 14/4/2019 The main objective is to start preparing for registering Jdaidet Al-Chouf municipality in covenant of mayors and present the results for baseline assessment phase, which includes mainly the following: Presenting the draft Baseline Emission Inventory (BEI) for the Jdaideh municipality. Agree with the municipality on the approach for collecting data and information about previous energy projects that were implemented from 2016 until now. Meeting with the Taskforce in the municipality to finalize the Covenant of Mayors registration requirements and agree on next steps for SECAP preparation. Meetings with the Ministry of Environment and Ministry of Energy and water to discuss the national plans for GHG emissions, and the national strategy for energy and climate change in Lebanon. Meeting with the project taskforce including stakeholders and local community to present and discuss the role of each stakeholder in the SECAP preparations phase. 		
Location of the Mission (city, country)	Lebanon – Jdaidet Al-Chouf		
MISSION APPROVED BY:			

2. Background:

The MENA Region Initiative as a Model of NEXUS Approach and Renewable Energy Technologies (MINARET) aims to address the unique sustainability challenges and opportunities of the MENA region by increasing local and regional sustainability capacities using the synergies between renewable energy technology and efficiency, water management, and food security.

The 4-year project kicked off in the first quarter of 2017 to be implemented in Jordan, Tunisia and Lebanon. The MINARET project intends to build the municipality's resilience to climate change through adopting renewable energy resources and energy efficiency, water management techniques and food security.

3. Key activities/ Results:

RSS experts conducted the following tasks:









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- Presenting the draft Baseline Emission Inventory (BEI) for the Jdaideh municipality council.
- Agree with the municipality on the approach for collecting data and information about previous energy projects that were implemented from 2016 until now.
- Meeting with the Taskforce in the municipality to finalize the Covenant of Mayors registration requirements and agree on next steps for SECAP preparation.
- Meetings with the Ministry of Environment and Ministry of Energy and water to discuss the national plans for GHG emissions, and the national strategy for energy and climate change in Lebanon.
- Meeting with the project taskforce including stakeholders and local community to present and discuss the role of each stakeholder in the SECAP preparations phase.

SUMMARY OF CONTACTS WITH LOCAL PARTNERS AND ACTIVITIES REALISED

Person(s) met	CONTACT DETAILS	Subjects discussed
Lea Abou-joudeh	Lea.abou-joude@undp.org	Climate change and energy projects.
Vahakn Kabakian	Vahakn.kabakian@undo.or	Climate change and energy projects.
Rani Al-achkar	Rani.aclachkar@lcec.o rg.lb	Collaboration in renewable energy projects.

4. Conclusions & Recommendations:

The team starts preparing to register Jdaidet Al Chouf Municipality in the Covenant of Mayors.

The team presented the Baseline Emission Inventory (BEI) report for the municipality council and agreed on next steps to prepare the Sustainable energy and climate action plan (SECAP). Some amendment must be conducted on the BEI report.

The team met the responsible ministries, stakeholders and the local community to discuss the suggested actions that will be included in the SECAP.

Annexes

End of report; (April 15, 2019).









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