

Agenda Session 1

« Fostering employment and entrepreneurship for locals and refugees: new challenges from COVID-19 crisis for host local authorities – Part 1 »

May 27, 2020, 13.30 CET

LOCAL STARTING TIMES

LOCATION	STARTING TIME
MARSEILLE, PARIS	13.30 –
ADDIS ABABA, AMMAN, BAGHDAD, BEIRUT, ISTANBUL, JERUSALEM, KAMPALA, NAIROBI	14.30 –
KABUL	16.00 –
WASHINGTON D.C.	7.30 –

13.30 – 13.50 **Welcome Remarks and Introduction of the Online Training series**
Blanca Moreno-Dodson, Manager, Centre for Mediterranean Integration (CMI)
Saroj Kumar Jha, Regional Director, Middle East Department

Moderator’s introduction:

Sara Boughedir, Urban Development Consultant, CMI

- **Overview on connected participants**
- **Online workshop rules, code of conduct and technical guidelines**
- **Launch of live poll and individual exercise**

13.50 – 14.30 **COVID-19: a new challenge for local authorities**
Insights from the Host Municipality Learning Network:
Giulia Marchesini, Senior Partnership Officer, Center for Mediterranean Integration
Nadine Burbar, Head of Local Economic Development and Deputy Chief Resilience Officer, Ramallah Municipality, Palestine
Mohammad Abu Gaoud, Head of Local Development Unit, Greater Madaba Municipality, Jordan

Social Protection for Migrants during the COVID-19 crisis

Mauro Testaverde, Senior Economist, World Bank

Q&A

14.30 – 15.15 **How to develop an entrepreneurial ecosystem inclusive of women and vulnerable populations?**
Meriem Ait Slimane, Senior Private Sector Specialist, World Bank



Refugee entrepreneurship: the case of Turkey

Selen Ucak, Program Director - Middle East, Building Markets

Fuat Ozharat, Foreign affairs officer, Gaziantep Metropolitan
Municipality, Turkey

Q&A

15.15 – 15.45 ***Presentation of live poll results and interactive discussion:***
**What actions would you undertake to support the local business environment
after the COVID-19 crisis?**

15.45 – 16.00 Summary of workshop day, wrap up and conclusion
Giulia Marchesini, Senior Partnerships Specialist, CMI
Zeina El Khoury, Private Sector Specialist, World Bank
