



Regional consultation for the Middle East and North Africa region  
with the United Nations Special Rapporteur  
on the rights of persons with disabilities  
Kuwait 03 – 04 December 2024

**Programme**

**Day I: Tuesday 03 December 2024**

8:30- 09:00	Registration
09:00- 09:30	Opening Session Kuwaiti Union of Women's Associations Geneva Institute for Human Rights and Humanitarian Affairs
09:30- 10:00	Brief introductions by participants
10:00- 10:15	Objectives and expected outcomes of the regional consultation
10:15- 10:30	Break
10:30- 11:30	Session I: Overview of the United Nations special procedures system/ Nazar Abdelgadir
11:30- 13:00	Session II: Overview of the role of the United Nations Special Rapporteur on the rights of persons with disabilities/ Dr. Heba Hagrass
13:00- 14:00	Lunch Break
14:00 – 15:00	Session III: Women with disabilities in situations of risk and humanitarian emergencies (article.11): Palestine/Sudan/Lebanon Hala Ali (Palestine), Rehab Boresli (Kuwait), Ala Husseibe (Iraq)

## Day II: Wednesday 04 December 2024

08:30-09:00	Summarizing the first day's discussions
09:00 – 10:00	<p>Reproductive health and the physical, psychological and social well-being of women with disabilities in light of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities</p> <p>Session I: Women and girls with disabilities Living independently and being included in the community (article. 19)</p> <p>Tariq Salem (Egypt); Huasidibe (Mauritania), Al Khansa Abdul Azim (Sudan)</p>
10:00 – 10:15	Break
10:15 – 11:30	<p>Session II: Right of women and girls with disabilities to form a family and an adequate standard of living (article. 23, article. 28)</p> <p>Jahda Abo Khalil (Lebanon), Malak Mohamed Salih (Sudan)</p>
11:30 – 11:45	Break
11:45 – 13:00	<p>Session III: Women with basic disabilities' requirements for health care and rehabilitation (article 25)</p> <p>Bushra Altaweel (Syria), Magda Alblushi (Oman), Musa Kawi (Mauritania)</p>
13:00 – 14:00	Lunch Break
14:00 – 15:30	<p>Session IV: Sharing experiences and best practices and identification of challenges</p> <p>Diana Fox (USA), Nazar Bargas (Iraq), Magolen Shama (Syria)</p>
15:30 – 15:45	Break
15:45- 16:45	Session V: Open Discussion with UN representatives
16:45 – 17:00	Closing session