# Agenda - Day 1: October 10

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<td>• Opening Remarks</td>
<td>• H.E. Dr. Saleh M. Al-Nabit&lt;br&gt;Minister of Development Planning and Statistics, State of Qatar&lt;br&gt;• H.E. Saber Said Al-Harbi&lt;br&gt;Director General, GCC-STAT&lt;br&gt;• Dr. Johannes Jütting&lt;br&gt;Manager, PARIS21 Secretariat</td>
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<td>Keynote Address</td>
<td>• Mr. Erki Saluveer, Chief Technology Officer, Positium Estonia</td>
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<td>How can Big Data help to promote Sustainable Development?</td>
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<td>10:00 AM</td>
<td>Session 1: Contextualising the Data Revolution in the Arab region (Panel Discussion)</td>
<td>• Mr. Atilla Karaman&lt;br&gt;Senior Researcher, SESRIC&lt;br&gt;• Prof. Enrico Giovannini&lt;br&gt;Full professor of Economic Statistics, University of Rome Tor Vergata (via Skype)&lt;br&gt;• Mr. Juraj Riecan&lt;br&gt;Director, Statistics Division, ESCWA&lt;br&gt;• Mr. Abdul Aziz Maalime&lt;br&gt;Director General, AITRS</td>
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<td>Unpacking the Data Revolution, this panel discussion draws the focus on the imperatives of the call for improved availability and accessibility of data on National Statistical Systems in the Arab region.&lt;br&gt;1. What are the key themes of the Data Revolution and its relevance for the Arab region?&lt;br&gt;2. What does the data revolution mean to the statistical community in the Arab region?&lt;br&gt;3. How to respond to data demands in adopting and customizing the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) to national and local contexts?</td>
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<td>Session 2: Challenges and Data Gaps in meeting the SDGs (Presentations)</td>
<td>• Dr. Johannes Jütting&lt;br&gt;Manager, PARIS21 Secretariat&lt;br&gt;• Mr. Hatem Sedghaini&lt;br&gt;Institute National de la Statistique, Tunisia&lt;br&gt;• Mr. Ahmed al Mufarji&lt;br&gt;National Centre for Statistics and Information, Oman&lt;br&gt;• Mr. Aditya Agrawal&lt;br&gt;Global Partnership for Sustainable Development Data&lt;br&gt;• Ms. Nada Ali Moqabel&lt;br&gt;GCC-STAT</td>
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Session 3: Exploring Solutions (Panel Discussion)
Bringing together people, processes, technologies and institutions, what innovative solutions in the data landscape in the region are spurring the changes required to advance the Data Revolution?
1. Strategic placing of data and statistics in the context of national development (NSDS and national development plans)
2. Connecting statistical capacity with data innovations (new technologies e.g. tablets)

Moderator:
• Ms. Amal Al-Mannai
  Chief Executive Officer
  Qatar Social Work Foundation

Panellists:
• Mr. Abdalla AL Batel
  Deputy President, General Authority for Statistics
  Saudi Arabia
• Mr. Abdulla Zidan
  Chairman, Bureau of Statistics and Census, Libya
• Mr. Oussama Marseli
  Chief, Population Census and Vital Statistic Division, Morocco

Day 1 Recap
Keynote Address
Transforming Telecom Data into Action

Session 4: Capacity Development and Data Revolution (Presentations)
Case studies, examples of innovative solutions geared towards SDG implementation and the data revolution.
1. Case study state of Qatar
2. RHEEM big data application
3. Advanced Data Planning Tool (ADAPT)
4. Arab Development Portal.

Moderator:
• Mr. Abdel Aziz Al Khalifa
  Chief Executive Officer - Qatar Development Bank

Presenters:
• Mr. Saoud Matar Alshammari
  Head, Household Surveys Section, MDPS, State of Qatar
• Mr. Jorge Quiane Ruiz
  Qatar Computing Research Institute, Hamad Bin Khalifa University
• Mr. Rajiv Ranjan
  Technical Programme Officer, PARIS21 Secretariat
• Ms. Farah Choucair
  Project Manager, Arab Development Portal

Session 5: Supporting Solutions
This session will have four parallel breakout sessions, where participants will discuss the challenges and propose solutions which could be applied to accelerate the Data Revolution in the Arab region.
All the groups will deliberate on the following topics:
• Sustainable funding for national statistical systems
• Governance mechanisms to fuel the data revolution
• Tools and technologies to accelerate the data revolution in the region

Moderator:
• Mr. Naser Al Mahdi
  Director, Censuses, Household Surveys and Statistical Methods Dept., MDPS – State of Qatar

Facilitators and Rapporteurs:
Group 1 • Mr. Mohamed Moalim, Somalia
  • Mr. Amin Ahmed Daoud Ahmed, Sudan
Group 2 • Mr. Ali Binmahboob, U.A.E
  • Mr. Sindha Ould N’dah, Mauritania
Group 3 • Mr. Abdalla Bin Mohamed Almehrizi, U.A.E
  • Mr. Raymon Nabih Andrawes Goda, Egypt
Group 4 • Mr. Idris Ali Soultaan, Djibouti
  • Ms. Wadha AL Jabor, Qatar

Session 6: The Way Forward
Closing Remarks

Panellists:
• Mr. Sultan Al Kwari
  Director, IT & HR Departments, MDPS, State of Qatar
• Mr. Sabir Said Al Harbi
  Director General, GCC-STAT
• Dr. Johannes Jütting, Manager PARIS21 Secretariat