

WEBINAR

# A MULTI-STAKEHOLDER APPROACH FOR IMPROVING PROCUREMENT IN LEBANON

**14 April 2022 - 14h CET**

## AGENDA

In response to a multitude of challenges, both in terms of public trust and economic conditions, the government of Lebanon has launched an ambitious programme of public sector reform in close collaboration with key stakeholders. Public procurement plays an essential role in this programme, and a MAPS assessment was the foundation for laying out a roadmap for improving and strengthening Lebanon's procurement system. Through the example of Lebanon, this webinar will explore how MAPS can be harnessed effectively for procurement reform, with a specific focus on how good stakeholder engagement is crucial both to a successful MAPS assessment and any reform process that follows.

**14:00-14:05****Welcome note**MODERATOR **Mr. Nicolas Penagos**, Head of the MAPS Secretariat**14:05-14:10****Opening remarks**SPEAKER **Mr. Saroj Kumar Jha**, Director of the Mashreq Department, World Bank**14:10-14:25****Lebanon's Reform Strategy and Action Plan 2022-2024**

This session will present Lebanon's procurement reform strategy and action plan, highlighting how the key MAPS findings helped inform that strategy.

SPEAKER **Ms. Lamia Moubayed Bissat**, Advisor to the Minister of Finance, Lebanon**Ms. Lina Fares**, Senior Procurement Specialist, World Bank

14:25-14:55

**Panel discussion: Making MAPS work for procurement reform**

This panel discussion & Q&A will focus on the experience of a variety of stakeholders involved in the MAPS assessment in Lebanon and how to instigate procurement reform building on MAPS recommendations.

SPEAKERS

**Ms. Basma Abdul Khalek**, Economist, Institut des Finances Basil Fuleihan, Lebanon

**Ms. Lina Fares**, Senior Procurement Specialist, World Bank

**Association of Lebanese Industrialists (speaker name TBD)**

**Lebanese Transparency Association (speaker name TBD)**

MODERATOR

**Mr. Côme Dechery**, Project Team Leader, Financial Governance, Agence Française de Développement

14:55-15:00

**Closing remarks**

**Mr. Nicolas Penagos**, Head of the MAPS Secretariat