

“Modeling the Youth Economic Empowerment in Palestine”

13h:00-- 16h:00, 15 May 2017, (Room Al Qasr B, Hilton Hotel, Jeddah)

Overview

- a) The seminar will discuss experiences in the field of youth employability in Palestine and other countries. It will begin with discussion on the importance of youth empowerment as an enabler for transformative resilience, sustainable development and economic growth. In that context, the seminar will present practical models for strengthening youth empowerment using tested and assessed examples from Palestine, Jordan, and Indonesia.
- b) It will stress on the importance of innovation for youth inclusion and will offer some solutions in this regard. In its approach, the seminar will also highlight the important role of government in providing the needed policy direction and support to ensure the inclusivity, outreach, and sustainability of empowerment efforts.
- c) **Expected Outcome/impact:** the discussion will lead to better understanding of the ways and means to initiate development under fragile circumstance such as the case in Palestine. Participants will be equipped with the following:
 - A fresh approach to aid delivery and economic empowerment in fragile countries (Palestine as a case study in the context of short-term, project-based, output-oriented to long-term, community-led, innovative, cost conscious and geared transformation).
 - How innovation and diversification of interventions and scaling up of projects work.
 - How greater coordination between diverse range of partners, including civil society, the private sector and communities are established in collective knowledge, expertise, and communal planning.
 - How interventions leveraging on problem analysis rather than needs assessment works better.
 - How long-term programs framework and governance mechanism that ensures constant linkage between stakeholders are established.
- d) **Audience:** officials from IDBG Member countries, development partners and donor agencies, private actors, NGOs interested in resilience activities.
- e) **Speakers:** The tentative list of speakers would comprise influential thinkers, policy makers, and regional leaders in humanitarian and international development policy experts.