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## Virtual Events on Measuring the Non-Observed Economy

November 15-18, 2021

The International Monetary Fund's Middle East Regional Technical Assistance Center and the Middle East Center for Economics and Finance, in collaboration with the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia, conducted a three-day virtual workshop on Measuring the Non-Observed Economy. It was attended by 58 participants from 17 Arab countries and covered concepts and frameworks, data sources, and measurement methods to help achieve exhaustive estimates of GDP. The workshop was preceded by a one-day webinar that informed on progress related to measuring the informal economy in the context of the update of the *2008 SNA* and the *BPM6* and the work of the Informal Economy Task Team. The webinar included presentations from the United Nations Statistics Division and the International Labour Organization.