



REPORT

**WOMEN ENTREPRENEURS
COUNCIL MEETING**

ECO CHAMBER of COMMERCE and INDUSTRY

Sep 3- 2014
Karachi-I.R Pakistan



**Report of the
Seventh Women Entrepreneurs Council Meeting of
ECO Chamber of Commerce and Industry (ECO CCI)
Sep 3, 2014, Karachi, I.R Pakistan**

The Seventh meeting of ECO Chamber of Commerce and Industry Women Entrepreneurs Council (ECO CCI WEC) hosted by the Federation of Pakistan Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FPCCI) was held on Sep3, 2014 in Karachi, I.R Pakistan.

Delegates from member chambers along with the ECO Secretariat participated in the meeting (list at Annex I).

Agenda Item No – 1: Inauguration of the Meeting

The Chairperson of the ECO CCI Women Entrepreneurs Council, Mrs. Seyedeh Fatemeh Moghimi delivered her welcome address.

Agenda Item No – 2: Adoption of the Agenda

The draft agenda of the meeting already circulated to Member Chambers and given below was adopted by the meeting .

- 1- Inauguration of the Meeting
- 2- Adoption of the Agenda
- 3- Appointment of the Drafting Committee
- 4- Statement by Head of ECO CCI Women Entrepreneurs Council on Women Entrepreneurship in ECO Region
- 5- Activity Report by Dr M.R Karbasi, Secretary General , ECO CCI
- 6- Remarks by the Heads of Delegations
- 7- Presentation by member countries (except Iran , Turkey , Tajikistan and Afghanistan) on five most prominent businesswomen in their countries
- 8- Briefing on latest status of workshop on the "Future of Women Entrepreneurship and Capabilities in the ECO Region» for the ECO businesswomen in Kayseri, Turkey.
- 9- Notes on Workshop of Empowerment of the Women Entrepreneurs of ECO Member States.
- 10-Discussion to hold the exhibition on businesswomen and entrepreneurs in two days
- 11- Any other Business
- 12- Date and Venue of the Next Meeting
- 13- Adoption of the Report
- 14- Vote of Thanks

Agenda Item No – 3: Appointment of the Drafting Committee

An Open Ended Drafting Committee consisting of ECO CCI Secretariat as well as members of Women Entrepreneurs Council was formed to prepare the Draft Report of the Meeting.

Agenda Item No – 4: Statement by Head of ECO CCI women Entrepreneurs Council on Women Entrepreneurship in ECO Region.

Chairperson of the ECO CCI Women Entrepreneurs Council, presented her statement on the Women Entrepreneurship in ECO Region (Annex II).

Agenda Item No – 5: Activity Report by Dr M.R Karbasi Secretary General, ECO CCI

Under this agenda item, Dr M.R Karbasi ECO CCI Secretary General, read an Activity Report since the last meeting in October 2013 in Tehran (Annex III) .

Agenda Item No – 6: Remarks by the Heads of Delegations

Heads of delegations from the participating Member Chambers made their remarks.

Turkish delegate delivered a presentation on the activities and prospects of the Turkish Women Entrepreneurs (Annex IV)

Pakistani delegate also delivered her presentation on Role of FPCCI in Women Entrepreneurs Activities (Annex V)

Agenda Item No-7: Presentation by member countries (except Iran , Turkey , Tajikistan and Afghanistan) on five most prominent businesswomen in their countries

On this agenda item only Pakistani delegate presenter the session on the ECO CCI Women Entrepreneurs Council (ECO CCI WEC) (Annex VI)

- FPCCI vowed to deliver to the ECO CCI the list of their top five businesswomen duly

Agenda Item No-8: Briefing on latest status of workshop on the "Future of Women Entrepreneurship and Capabilities in the ECO Region» for the ECO businesswomen in Kayseri, Turkey.

Briefing on latest status of workshop on the "Future of Women Entrepreneurship and Capabilities in the ECO Region» for the ECO businesswomen in Kayseri, Turkey was made by the Union of Chambers and Commodity Exchanges of Turkey under this item.

- The TOBB offered to host the next ECO CCI WEC Meeting in Kayseri or any other city in Turkey in May 2015 whose exact date and other arrangements would be finalized in communication of the ECO CCI and the TOBB.

Agenda item No-9: Notes on Workshop regarding Empowerment of the Women Entrepreneurs of ECO Member States which will be held in Tehran- I R Iran

Under this item points regarding Workshop on Empowerment of the Women Entrepreneurs of ECO Member States which will be held in Tehran- I R Iran were made.

- It was decided that once at least five member countries introduce their five top businesswomen the subject event by end Dec 2014/ First half of 2015 in Tehran, I.R Iran. Suggestion was made by Turkish representative to give mentor training to these women.

Agenda item No-10: Discussions on the Plan to hold the Exhibition on Potentials of the ECO Businesswomen and Women Entrepreneurs

The Plan to hold the Exhibition on Potentials of the ECO Businesswomen and Women Entrepreneurs was disclosed and discussed for the proposals and opinions of the members of the committee.

- The meeting decided that the Exhibition on Potentials of the ECO Businesswomen and Women Entrepreneurs be held on the sidelines of the workshop on the "Future of Women Entrepreneurship and Capabilities in the ECO Region» for the ECO businesswomen in Turkey.

Agenda Item No –11: Any other Business

No other issue was raised under this agenda item .

Agenda Item No – 12: Proposals on Date and Venue of the Next Meeting

The Meeting asked for the proposals on date and venue of the 8th Meeting of ECO CCI WEC which was left for approval of the Executive Committee and General Assembly Meetings.

Agenda Item No – 13: Adoption of the Report

The Meeting adopted the Report of the Seventh ECO CCI Women Entrepreneurs Council Meeting to be presented to the 19th Executive Committee meeting for approval.

Agenda Item No – 14: Vote of Thanks

The participating Heads of delegations/members offered their thanks to the Federation of Pakistan CCI's for the excellent arrangements made to hold this important meeting and for the warm hospitality extended to the participants during their stay in Karachi.

The participants also appreciated the contribution of the ECO Secretariat for providing the necessary assistance and support.