Arab Technology Incubators & Techno Parks Network

The Arab Technology Incubators and Techno Parks Network is a cooperative network of organizations established to provide an effective platform of communication, cooperation and knowledge sharing between business incubators and Techno parks within the Arab region. ARTECNET has successfully incorporated over twenty-two incubators across the Arab world during the last few years, and is set to attract further incubators and Techno parks.

About ARTECNET

The Arab Technology incubators and Techno parks Network (ARTECNET) was established in November 2013 with the support of the ITU as the main sponsor aiming at providing a structured platform for cooperation between Techno parks and technology incubators to its members and the region.

The ARTECNET organizes annual conference, which was started in 2013, these conferences aims at gathering the network members and sharing good regional and international incubation practices from the members' Knowledge, national and international experiences.

1st meeting in Tunisia

The network was announces in November 2013 in Tunisia with participates from 20 incubators and techno parks where they agreed to launch the network and they voted for Mr. Hosameddine El Tonsi, General Manager of El Ghazalah Techno Park to be the president for the year 2013/2014.

Also, Two days conference was organized showcasing and discussing experiences from different countries.

2nd meeting in Algeria

The second meeting was organized by ANPT in Algeria; the meeting was attended by 8 incubators and techno parks. In the meeting, members have prepared and approved the constitution of the network. Also, the presidency officially handed over to Dr. Aklouf from ANPT for the year 2014/2015.

Also, to two days' workshop was organized to discuss possible project for the network.

3rd Meeting in Egypt

The third meeting was held in Smart village in Giza, Egypt. The meeting hosted more than 20 incubators and techno parks including new 6 members. The presidency was handed over to Mr. Ahmed Naim from Smart village for the year 2015/2016. During the event, one day conference was organized targeting youth to encourage them to choose entrepreneurship as a career path, the theme was "ICT for youth Employment and entrepreneurship" which was attended by more then 100 youth and SMEs support

professionals. Also, the network conducted a focus working group for the network projects in addition to an SME's exhibition which included incubates different members.

4th event in Egypt

Business Incubation Management Training:

This training program is designed for business incubation managers, management team and other business incubation stakeholders wishing to increase their understanding and know-how of the business incubation process. The training is delivered by certified trainers by InfoDev.

30 participants participated in this 3 days training on 14 to 16 December 2016 with Cooperation with TIEC

Objectives:

- ✓ The ARTECNET objectives are as follows:
- ✓ Integrate efforts toward the development of the techno parks and technology incubators in the region.
- ✓ Join the forces to conduct different projects to serve the techno parks and technology incubators in the region.
- ✓ Link the techno parks and technology incubators and exchange experience.
- ✓ Capacity building in the techno parks and incubators management.
- ✓ Promote the techno parks and technology incubators regionally and internationally.

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