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### FIFTEENTH ITEM ON THE AGENDA

## Report of the Director-General

### Second Supplementary Report: Appointment of a Regional Director

1. In accordance with the Staff Regulations, appointments at the Assistant Director-General level are made by the Director-General after consultation with the Officers of the Governing Body. On entering upon duties, an Assistant Director-General shall make and sign the prescribed declaration of loyalty before the Governing Body in public session.
2. After duly consulting the Officers of the Governing Body, the Director-General has decided to appoint Ms Ruba Jaradat as Director of the Regional Office for the Arab States in Beirut at the Assistant Director-General level, with effect from 16 November 2015.
3. This appointment is communicated to the Governing Body for information. A brief statement concerning the qualifications and previous activities of Ms Jaradat is given overleaf.

#### **Draft decision**

4. *The Governing Body notes this appointment made by the Director-General, after having duly consulted the Officers of the Governing Body, and invites Ms Jaradat to make and sign the prescribed declaration of loyalty as provided under article 1.4(b) of the ILO Staff Regulations.*

**Ms Ruba Jaradat (Jordan)**

Appointed as Regional Director of the ILO Regional Office for the Arab States in Beirut at the Assistant Director-General level, with effect from 16 November 2015.

Born in 1971, Ms Jaradat has a proven track record in designing and managing complex and highly visible economic growth programmes and in leading teams through strategy development and implementation. She holds a PhD in Management and International Development from the University of Huddersfield, in the United Kingdom, as well as certificates in economics and leadership from Harvard University, the World Bank Institute, Georgia State University and the United States Federal Institute.

In 2013, Ms Jaradat established and worked as the Chief Executive Officer of the Jordan Strategy Forum. From 2008 to 2013, Ms Jaradat managed the USAID economic development programme. Previously, from 2005 to 2008, she managed the USAID cash transfer programme in Jordan, which helped improve fiscal conditions and the business environment. She also worked as an international consultant in higher education in the United Kingdom.

Ms Jaradat chairs the Board of the British Universities Alumni Association. She is a member of several councils, including the Advisory Committee of the Euro Mediterranean Council, the Jordan Economic and Social Council, the National Competitiveness and Innovation Council, and the United Kingdom's Arab Partnership Initiative.