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Background

The 30th Meeting of the Follow-up Committee of the COMCEC, held in Ankara on 7-8 May 2014, requested SESRIC, in its capacity as the coordinator institution of the exchange of views sessions of the COMCEC, to explore the views of the member countries on each of the following four proposals as possible themes for the exchange of views sessions to be held during the subsequent COMCEC Sessions through circulation of a special questionnaire to the member countries and analysis of their responses on the subject matter:

Theme 1: Post-2015 Development Agenda and Development Challenges of Islamic Ummah

Theme 2: Enhancing Aid Efficiency and Developing Effective Aid Strategies and Policies

Theme 3: Promoting Islamic Financial Services in the OIC Countries

Theme 4: Utilization of the Islamic Waqs to mobilize the resources for alleviating poverty in the OIC Member States

The Committee also encouraged the Member States to promptly response to the SESRIC questionnaire on the theme-selection to enhance related procedures and end up with a better identification of the areas where there is need and demand by member countries.

The Centre, therefore, circulated a questionnaire on the subject matter (a copy is attached to this document) to all the member countries on 14 May 2014 and requested them to complete it and return it to the Centre by 30th September 2014 at the latest to enable the Centre to analyse their responses and report accordingly to the 30th Session of the COMCEC on 25-2 November 2014 in Istanbul.

The Centre received responses from only 15 member countries, namely Afghanistan, Azerbaijan, Egypt, Iran, Kuwait, Jordan, Lebanon, Oman, Niger, Qatar, Pakistan, Saudi Arabia, Suriname, Togo and Turkey.

This report presents the results of the responses of these member countries in terms of their prioritisation of the above-mentioned five themes.

Results of the Questionnaire

The Priorities of the Member Countries for the Proposed Themes

Theme	Responding Countries			
	Priority 1	Priority 2	Priority 3	Priority 4
1. Post-2015 Development Agenda and Development Challenges of Islamic Ummah	Afghanistan Oman Qatar Kuwait Iran Niger Turkey	Togo Jordan Suriname	Saudi Arabia Egypt Lebanon Niger Pakistan	Azerbaijan Pakistan
2. Enhancing Aid Efficiency and Developing Effective Aid Strategies and Policies	Togo Pakistan Niger Lebanon	Azerbaijan Kuwait	Qatar Afghanistan Niger Jordan Suriname Turkey	Saudi Arabia Oman Egypt Iran Pakistan
3. Promoting Islamic Financial Services in the OIC Countries	Azerbaijan Jordan Niger Pakistan	Saudi Arabia Oman Egypt Afghanistan Pakistan Iran Niger Lebanon	Kuwait	Qatar Togo Suriname Turkey
4. Utilization of the Islamic Waqfs to mobilize the resources for alleviating poverty in the OIC Member States	Saudi Arabia Egypt Suriname	Qatar Pakistan Turkey	Azerbaijan Oman Togo Pakistan Iran	Kuwait Afghanistan Niger Lebanon Jordan

Note: Some member countries sent different responses by different relevant ministers and institutions, such as ministry of industry and trade, ministry of finance, ministry of tourism, ministry of economy, etc. Therefore, as shown in the table above, the names of such countries appear under more than one priority for the same theme.

QUESTIONNAIRE ON THE THEMES OF THE COMCEC EXCHANGE OF
VIEWS SESSIONS*

1. Please indicate the priorities for each of the themes below, by using a 1-to-4 scale (1 for the most urgent, 4 for the least urgent).

Themes	Priority
Post-2015 Development Agenda and Development Challenges of Islamic Ummah	
Enhancing Aid Efficiency and Developing Effective Aid Strategies and Policies	
Promoting Islamic Financial Services in the OIC Countries	
Utilization of the Islamic Waqfs to mobilize the resources for alleviating poverty in the OIC Member States	

2. Please specify your **proposals for other themes** for the upcoming exchange of views sessions of the COMCEC in the order of priority.

Proposal 1	
Proposal 2	
Proposal 3	
Proposal 4	
Proposal 5	

3. Please provide us with the most recent contact information of your institution.

Country	
Name of the institution	
Phone	Fax:
Web Address	E-mail
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Name of the Contact Person	
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4. Please send your responses to SESRIC either via e-mail or fax by 30th September 2014 at the latest.

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* The questionnaire is also available at: <http://www.sesric.org/quest30.php>