

**REPORT OF THE
47th MEETING OF THE SESSIONAL COMMITTEE
(21 October 2025, Virtual Meeting)**

- The 47th Meeting of the Sessional Committee of the COMCEC was held virtually on October 21st, 2025.
- The Meeting was chaired by Mr. Selçuk KOÇ, Director General of the COMCEC Coordination Office. In addition to OIC General Secretariat and COMCEC Coordination Office (CCO), the following OIC Institutions attended the Meeting:
 - Statistical, Economic and Social Research and Training Center for Islamic Countries (SESRIC)
 - Islamic Center for the Development of Trade (ICDT)
 - International Islamic Trade Finance Corporation (ITFC)
 - The Islamic Corporation for the Insurance of Investment and Export Credit (ICIEC)
 - Islamic Corporation for the Development of the Private Sector (ICD)
 - Islamic Organization for Food Security (IOFS)
 - OIC Labour Centre (OIC LC)
 - Standards and Metrology Institute of Islamic Countries (SMIIC)
 - Islamic Chamber of Commerce and Development (ICCD)
- The Meeting agreed on the following agenda items for discussion:
 - Implementation of the COMCEC Strategy: Contributions of the OIC Institutions to the COMCEC Strategy
 - The List of Activities of the OIC Institutions Aligned with the COMCEC Strategy and COMCEC Ministerial Policy Recommendations
 - Utilizing COMCEC Project Funding for the Implementation of COMCEC Ministerial Policy Recommendations
 - Possible Contributions of the OIC Institutions to the Implementation of the SDGs in OIC Member Countries
 - Preparations for Annual Report on the Progress Towards Achieving the Prioritized SDGs at the OIC level
 - Activities of the OIC Institutions Serving to the Implementation of the SDGs
 - COMCEC Flagship Projects
 - The Proposal on the “Business Intelligence Programme”
 - Possible Contributions of the OIC Institutions for the Benefit of Palestinian People/ Al-Quds Sharif as well as Geographically Distant OIC Member Countries and Observer Countries
 - Any Other Business

Implementation of the COMCEC Strategy: Contributions of the OIC Institutions to the COMCEC Strategy

- CCO has presented an overview of the activities of the OIC institutions aligned with the COMCEC Ministerial Policy Recommendations and the COMCEC Strategy. In this respect, it was reported that OIC Institutions have conducted 34 activities in Group A and 128 activities in Group B categories, since the previous COMCEC Ministerial Session. It was also reported that 49 Group A activities and 101 Group B activities have been planned to be held until the end of this year. To ensure more accurate reporting and avoid duplications, the CCO shared some observations on the data entry of OIC Institutions related to their activities. In order to avoid from duplications and to ensure up-to-date reporting of the activities, the Committee requested relevant OIC institutions to insert data and information regarding their activities in timely manner to the online system.
- In this context, the Committee reviewed the completed and planned activities of the relevant OIC institutions that directly link with the implementation of the Ministerial Policy Recommendations and the objectives of the COMCEC Strategy across the cooperation areas since the 40th COMCEC Ministerial Session.
- The Committee commended the valuable efforts and contributions of the OIC institutions towards the implementation of the COMCEC Strategy and the Ministerial Policy Recommendations.
- The Committee took note with appreciation of the efforts of SESRIC in contributing to the implementation of the COMCEC Strategy and COMCEC Ministerial Policy Recommendations through specifically designed activities such as capacity building, training programmes.
- Furthermore, the Committee was informed about the projects implemented under the COMCEC Project Funding (CPF). It was highlighted that 23 projects are being implemented by OIC Member Countries and OIC Institutions under the CPF in 2025.
- Moreover, the Committee requested the OIC Institutions, to the extent possible, to be involved in the projects of the OIC Member Countries as project partners by providing technical assistance in designing and implementing their projects under the COMCEC Project Funding.

Possible Contributions of the OIC Institutions to the Implementation of the SDGs in the OIC Member States

- The Committee took note with appreciation the presentation made by SESRIC on the report titled “Towards the Achievement of Prioritized Sustainable Development Goals in OIC Countries,” prepared for the 41st COMCEC Ministerial Session.

- Regarding statistical capacity-building programs, the Committee commended SESRIC for organizing 7 activities on SDG indicators for the benefit of 400 participants across the OIC Member Countries since the last COMCEC session.
- Concerning the SDG related activities of OIC institutions, the CCO informed the Committee that 32 activities have been completed, and 47 activities have been planned on the prioritized SDGs in 2025.

COMCEC Flagship Projects

- The Committee was informed by the CCO about the progress and recent developments in the implementation of the COMCEC Flagship Projects/Programs such as TPS-OIC, OIC Arbitration Centre, and OIC/COMCEC 50 Shariah Index and Fund, and COMCEC SME Program.
- The Committee was also informed by ICDT concerning the activities of TNC Secretariat towards raising awareness on TPS-OIC
- Emphasizing the significant role of the OIC institutions in raising awareness among Member Countries regarding the COMCEC Flagship Projects, the Committee encouraged the relevant OIC institutions to further enhance their efforts in this regard.

OIC Business Intelligence Programme

- The Committee was informed by ICIEC (IsDB Group) about the ongoing efforts to launch the OIC Business Intelligence Programme and took note of the training and capacity-building activities, held in Indonesia in February 2025, and to be held in November 2025 in Morocco in collaboration with ICDT.
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- The Committee requested ICIEC, in collaboration with the SESRIC, ICDT, and ICCD to continue their efforts to complete the technical preparations for launching the OIC Business Intelligence Programme as soon as possible.
- **Possible Contributions of the OIC Institutions for the Benefit of Palestinian People/ Al-Quds Sharif as well as Geographically Distant OIC Member Countries and Observer Countries**
- The Committee was briefed by the OIC Institutions regarding their endeavors aiming at supporting the Benefit of Palestinian People/ Al-Quds Sharif as well as Geographically Distant OIC Member Countries and Observer Countries.
- The OIC General Secretariat briefed the Committee on its comprehensive humanitarian, economic, and cultural initiatives undertaken to alleviate challenges faced by the Palestinian people and safeguard their historical rights and identity. The Committee welcomed these efforts as a critical contribution to OIC's collective support for Palestine.

- The Committee commended SESRIC for successfully organizing 41 specialized activities for this purpose since the 40th COMCEC Ministerial Session, benefiting 154 professionals from the relevant Palestinian institutions, thereby contributing to enhanced technical capabilities. The Committee also took note with appreciation the activities of SESRIC 20 different activities for the benefit of Guyana and 16 different activities for the benefit of Suriname.
- Welcoming successful implementation of the concrete projects under the COMCEC Al-Quds Program, aiming at improving socio-economic conditions in Al-Quds, The Committee took note with appreciation that eight projects are being implemented this year to enhance SME competitiveness and empower women and youth through targeted vocational education and skills development. The Committee also welcomed the new project call which was made as of 15th November, 2025 under COMCEC Al-Quds Programme.
- The Committee commended the implementation of the project in the area of SME under the COMCEC Project Funding in Suriname in partnership with Guyana.
- The Committee took note with appreciation the ongoing efforts of IOFS on the humanitarian food relief appeal for Gaza.
- The Committee also commended ICCD for the successful implementation of three projects namely, Talent Gate 2025, Digital Palestine Platform, and Palestinian Breakfast, which aimed to contribute to Palestinian economy by promoting local products, preserving national and cultural heritage, and enhancing the economic empowerment of Palestinian youth, artisans, and small-scale producers.
- The Committee encouraged all relevant OIC Institutions to continue their collaborative efforts in implementing and expanding programs and initiatives that benefit of Palestinian People/ Al-Quds Sharif as well as Geographically Distant OIC Member Countries and Observer Countries.
- The Committee was briefed by the OIC LC on its future activities supporting the recovery of employment and labour systems in Gaza, including the development of an employment support programme for Palestinian employees and contribution to the post-war rehabilitation process.

Any Other Business

- The Committee Meeting ended with a vote of thanks.

