



## State of Kuwait Celebrates World Statistics Day

Kuwait Central Statistical Bureau (CSB) celebrated World Statistics Day (WSD) on 20 October 2015 as follows:

1. CSB organized an event under the auspices of the Minister of Social Affairs and Labor and Minister of State for Planning and Development and producers and users of statistics, senior officials from State Ministries, public and private sectors, research centers, International Organizations and media were invited.

At the opening ceremony, Assistant Undersecretary for statistical work made a speech on behalf of Her Excellency, Kuwait Minister of Social Affairs and Labor and Minister of State for Planning and Development to underline the importance that the United Nations Organization gives to official statistics for enhancing sustainable development. Emphasis was also made on the relevance of statistics for decisions makers and the importance of the community partnership in statistical work and the exchange of data with its producers. H.E also referred to the Central Statistical Bureau (CSB) achievements since its creation more than five decades ago.

CSB's General Director made a presentation related to the achievements and challenges in the areas of statistics and information technologies. Emphasis was given to CSB future vision and the Sustainable Development goals after the year 2015.

During this event, the United Nations Development Program (UNDP) made a presentation focusing on the importance of World Statistics Day through the speech of the United Nations Secretary-General and the goals of sustainable development beyond the year 2015. A focus was also made on



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the cooperation between UNDP and the Central Statistical Bureau for the development of statistics in Kuwait.

During this World Statistics Day, information kits were distributed to the participants, including a user friendly booklet with the most important data. The most important statistical releases carried out during the year 2015 were also distributed.

- 2.** During the celebration a documentary film entitled "The Central Statistical Bureau: history and achievements" was presented. The film deals with the history of statistics in the State of Kuwait which started since its independence and the early role of Kuwait in issuing the law of Statistics and Census in 1963 which frames the statistical work at the national level.
- 3.** A statistical exhibition was organized, one part was devoted to the historical bulletins published since the creation of the Central Statistical Bureau for more than five decades and another exhibition was reserved to the new statistical publications.
- 4.** Central Statistical Bureau website [csb.gov.kw](http://csb.gov.kw) and the website of the labor market information system <http://lmis.csb.gov.kw/ar> were also presented.
- 5.** Statistics Club at the department of Statistics in the Kuwait University was invited to participate in the World Statistics Day and a pavilion was allocated to it in the exhibition area.
- 6.** News related to the celebration was reported in most newspapers and in some Radio and Television programs as well.



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### Program of the celebration

Time	Program axes
9:00	Registration
9:30	Speech by Her Excellency the Minister of Social Affairs and Labor and Minister of State for Planning and Development
9:40	Speech by Central Statistical Bureau General Director
9:50	Speech by Deputy Resident UNDP Representative
10:00	A documentary film: the Central Statistical Bureau: history and achievements.
10:15	Statistical tour in the statistical exhibition
11:00	Conclusion of the celebration of World Statistics Day