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ABSTRACT: This research guide has been compiled by the USAID Knowledge Services Center staff for review by the US Agency for International Development. The guide is a focused selection of resources on Middle East Regional.

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UNDP Arab States

<http://www.undp.org/arabstates/>

This site is the UNDP Arab States homepage. The site has information on UNDP regional project, links to the UNDP country pages in the region, general news on UNDP work in the region and electronic copies of the UNDP Arab Human Development Report.

IRIN

<http://www.irinnews.org>

IRIN is a news site that focuses on Africa, Asia and the Near East. It offers news updates as well as country profiles from countries in the region.

The Asia Foundation

<http://www.asiafoundation.org/index.html>

The Asia Foundation is a foundation that works in the ANE region. Their Donor Briefs, documents aimed at international donors, may be of particular interest.

Library of Congress: The African and Middle East Reading Room

<http://www.loc.gov/rr/amed/>

The African and Middle East Reading Room at the Library of Congress is the primary LOC center for researchers interested in those regions. The website provides a link to the LOC catalogue (material can then be requested through interlibrary loan), as well as information on events and topical web resources. The Reading Room also has a Near East section and a Hebraic Section, with resources that are more targeted towards those regions.

Library of Congress Federal Research Division Portals to the World: Country Profiles

<http://lcweb2.loc.gov/frd/cs/profiles.html>

The LOC Country Profiles are updated periodically; the date of the last update is displayed next to the country profile. Not all countries are included; however, new profiles are added periodically.

The Brookings Institution; Saban Center for Middle East Policy

http://www.brookings.edu/fp/saban/sabancenter_hp.htm

The Saban Center at Brookings offers work by Center scholars, including policy papers, analysis and commentary. The center also hosts events with experts in the field.

Eldis Middle East and North Africa section

<http://www.eldis.org/go/country-profiles®ion=27>

Eldis is an international development information site with resources on a variety of topics and regions, including downloadable papers and links to other organizations and sources. The Middle East and North Africa section contains region specific information.

The World Bank's Middle East and North Africa site

<http://go.worldbank.org/DT45JDVOK0>

The World Bank's Middle East and North Africa pages provide information on Bank activities and reports, as well as statistics for many indicators for countries in the region.

Center of Arab Women for Training and Research.

<http://www.cawtar.org/>

CAWTAR's site contains resources in Arabic, English and French on development issues and Arab women. The Library and Database link contains CAWTAR's papers as well as bibliography on Arab women.

The Middle East Institute: the George Camp Keiser Library

http://www.mideasti.org/programs/programs_library.html

The Middle East Institute's library has both an electronic and print collection of Middle East related periodicals and books, much of which is open to the public. The institute also offers Arabic, Hebrew and Persian classes.

The Middle East Policy Center

<http://www.mepc.org/main/main.asp>

The Middle East Policy Center is a think tank focusing on Middle East issues, and the publisher of 'Middle East Policy', a journal which is available through the KSC collection. Its website contains policy papers, citations from past issues of 'Middle East Policy' as well as a listing of DC area related events and country specific resources.

The Global Development Network Regional Window: the MENA region

http://www.gdnet.org/middle.php?primary_link_id=6&secondary_link_id=23

This page contains a list of research, researchers, and links to research organizations in the Middle Eastern region. The Global Development Network is a worldwide network of researchers working in international development, and the Regional Windows are intended to disseminate local expertise and stimulate networking within the region.

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