

This year, we choose optimism in the current poly-crisis. We joined hands with civil society organizations and advocates who believe in a better world. AWC thanks you for your belief in a better world.

### The Third General Assembly Meetings



ON JULY 29, 2022, THE ARAB WATCH COALITION HELD ITS THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY MEETING IN LEBANON. MEMBERS OF AWC FROM SEVEN COUNTRIES IN THE REGION PARTICIPATED IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO DISCUSS THE ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE LAST TWO YEARS, AND TO DEVELOP A STRATEGY FOR THE NEXT THREE YEARS.

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Two-Days Workshop to discuss the Independent Accountability Mechanisms



ON JULY 28 & 29, 2022, AWC HELD A WORKSHOP IN LEBANON ABOUT THE INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTABILITY MECHANISMS FOR FIVE INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS WORKING IN THE MENA REGION.

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## Workshop: The Climate Policies of the International Financial Institutions

ON JULY 26, 2022, THE ARAB WATCH COALITION HELD A WORKSHOP IN LEBANON ABOUT THE CLIMATE POLICIES ADOPTED BY THE INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS THAT WORK IN THE MENA REGION.

MORE THAN 40 CIVIL SOCIETY ORGANIZATIONS FROM SEVEN COUNTRIES IN THE REGION WERE ENGAGED IN THIS SESSION, INCLUDING COALITION'S MEMBERS, AND INTERNATIONAL PARTNERS.

THIS ONE-DAY WORKSHOP BUILT ON A PREVIOUS VIRTUAL WORKSHOP THAT WAS ORGANIZED A FEW MONTHS EARLIER TO DISCUSS THE TOPIC OF SHIFTING INTERNATIONAL PUBLIC FINANCE FROM FOSSIL FUELS TO CLEAN ENERGIES.



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#### The Annual Meetings of the IMF & WBG

#### ARAB WATCH COALITION

PARTICIPATED IN THE CIVIL SOCIETY POLICY FORUM IN WASHINGTON DC DURING THE ANNUAL MEETINGS OF THE INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FUND AND THE WORLD BANK GROUP.





# The CSPF 2022: the most notable Sessions organised by AWC



From 11 to 15 October, we organized and co-sponsored several sessions in the CSPF with our international partners side events on several IFIs related topics including debt, economic justice, and climate change among others.

#### FOOD SECURITY IN THE MENA REGION IN RELATION TO CLIMATE CHANGE AND THE UKRAINE WAR IN THE TIME OF AUSTERITY POLICIES.

- THE WORLD BANK'S HUMAN CAPITAL STRATEGY IN THE MENA REGION: A CASE STUDY FROM MOROCCO.
- IMF QUOTA REFORM: ADAPTING IMF GOVERNANCE STRUCTURES TO MEET CONTEMPORARY CHALLENGES
- ESTABLISHING AN IMF INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTABILITY MECHANISM: STRENGTHENING IMF ACCOUNTABILITY IN THE CONTEXT OF EVOLVING CHALLENGES
- RESPONSIBLE EXIT: HOW ACCOUNTABILITY TO COMMUNITIES IS NECESSARY FOR SUSTAINABLE INVESTING

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# IMF Policy & Governance in the context of 'poly-crisis', What next?



ON OCTOBER 15, THE ARAB WATCH COALITION, IN COLLABORATION WITH OTHER INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS, HELD A HALF-DAY HYBRID EVENT TITLED "IMF POLICY AND GOVERNANCE IN THE CONTEXT OF THE 'POLY-CRISIS': WHAT NEXT?"

THE EVENT FEATURED FOUR SESSIONS FOCUSED ON THE URGENT REFORMS NEEDED IN THE INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FUND'S POLICIES AND GOVERNANCE STRUCTURES TO SUPPORT AN EFFECTIVE GLOBAL RESPONSE TO THE COMBINED CRISES OF TODAY.

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# Annual Meetings 2023: How to support the effort of civil society in the MENA region?

AWC ORGANIZED A PREPARATORY MEETING AHEAD OF THE 2023 IMF/WORLD BANK ANNUAL MEETINGS THAT WILL TAKE PLACE IN MARRAKECH, MOROCCO.

THE MEETING BROUGHT TOGETHER REPRESENTATIVES OF THE CSOS PARTNERS FROM THE WORLD, TO DISCUSS STRATEGIES TO ENSURE AN EFFECTIVE REPRESENTATION AND PARTICIPATION OF MENA CIVIL SOCIETY IN THIS EVENT.



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#### **End Austerity Activism Festival**



The End Austerity Activism Festival is a 3-day virtual event that was designed and organized collectively from Wednesday 28th of September through Friday 30th of September 2022 by the affiliates and allies of the End Austerity Campaign.

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#### Our brief on the global report on Budget Cuts and Harmful Social Reforms in 2022-2025



The Arab watch Coalition copublished a brief on the global report: Budget Cuts and Harmful Social Reforms in 2022-25 prepared by Isabel Ortiz and Matthew Cummins.

This was in collaboration with ActionAid, Eurodad, Financial Transparency Coalition (FTC), Global Social Justice, and others.

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ARAB WATCH COALITION, AND MORE THAN 300 ORGANIZATIONS AND ACTIVISTS AROUND THE WORLD LAUNCHED, THE GLOBAL WEEK OF ACTION FOR JUSTICE AND DEBT CANCELLATION.



Arab Watch Coalition, and more than 300 organizations and activists around the world launched, the Global Week of Action for Justice and Debt Cancellation calling on all the lenders to immediately cancel debts for all the struggling countries.

Read the CSOs Statement

# Wrap up on the Annual meetings of the IMF & WBG

Although the World Bank and the IMF have not yet taken any steps to address the serious concerns raised by the civil society groups during the Annual Meetings, the voice of the struggling communities was heard loud and clear through the different sessions, off the record meetings, and protests. Civil Society vowed to continue the good fight for good causes.

#### Read the recap



AWC is an equal opportunity community, and encourages all qualified candidates to apply, regardless of race, gender, age, national origin, or sexual orientation. What we have in common is a shared vision for justice and human rights, and appreciation for diverse perspectives and collective wisdom.

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