



## Press Release

### A Team from UNESCO Visited MAS



Wednesday, 28 September 2016, Ramallah. Today two members of the Ramallah Office of UNESCO team – Dr. Lodovico Folin Calabi, UNESCO Representative and Head of Office, and Ms. Sonia Abu Al-Ezam, Senior Program Officer – visited the Palestine Economic Policy Research Institute (MAS), where they met with Dr. Nabeel Kassis, MAS Director General, and Ms. Daniela Andreevska, Project Coordinator.

During the meeting the two institutions presented and discussed their major fields of expertise and areas of work and interventions. The focus of the meeting, however, was on possible venues for cooperation and collaboration between UNESCO and MAS in areas of common interest, where the expertise of the two institutions can be complementary. One such area is measuring the gap between the outputs of the education system and the requirements of the labor market with the ultimate goal of exerting efforts to reform the education system in a way that matches the demand for skills in Palestine. Indeed, this is one of the flagship priority policy actions which MAS identified and recommended in the closing statement of its Economic Conference 2016 “Towards a New Vision for the Revival of the Palestinian Economy”.