



# Specialized Training Session Corruption Risk Management in the Transport sector

Hammamet, Republic of Tunisia
1-3 June 2022



## **Programme**

#### Overview

The transport sector, including its infrastructure, networks, and services, is crucial to achieving sustainable development. It contributes to new market opportunities, facilitation of trade and labor market access, and the provision of fundamental facilities and services such as education, health care, and social welfare. Many of the Sustainable Development Goals depend on the transport sector to achieve their goals. For instance, it plays a role in achieving goals related to eradicating poverty and hunger, promoting social welfare, and improving the quality of life, among other goals.

Therefore, the governance of the transport sector and its protection from corruption risks are an important priority, especially since this sector often receives half of the budget allocated to construction and construction work financed by the state. Misappropriation of materials and equipment, tampering with contracts for transportation-related works, goods, or services, and corruption in granting concessions to the private sector to operate rail, port, air, and road facilities and services all reduce the quality of the sector's transportation, infrastructure and services. As such, corruption in the transport sector affects many other sectors, which would undermine development efforts. Therefore, addressing corruption is a priority for the development of the sector, attracting investments, and enhancing trust in its institutions.

According to the above, the United Nations Development Programme, in cooperation with the General Directorate of Governance and Prevention of Corruption in the Presidency of the Government in the Republic of Tunisia and the Ministry of Transport, organized a specialized training session entitled "Tackling Corruption Risks in the Transport sector", in Tunis, Tunisia on 09 March 2022. This session enabled the participants to gain direct and in-depth acquaintance with the Sectoral Corruption Risk Management Methodology, best practices and experiences learned from its application, and to conduct a dialogue on the risks of corruption in the transport sector and ways to prevent them. This was followed-up by practical exercises in small working groups to deepen the knowledge and skills gained during the training.

Based on the outcomes of the workshop, and in coordination with the General Directorate of Governance and Prevention of Corruption in the Presidency of the Government in the Republic of Tunisia, the Ministry of Transport submitted a technical support request to UNDP for implementing the Sectoral Corruption Risk Management Methodology in the mentioned sector. A decision was also issued by the Minister of Transport forming a national task team which includes representatives from the Ministry and from the public institutions under its supervision.

Accordingly, UNDP is organizing a specialized training session in Hammamet between 1-3 June 2022, to provide the task team with in-depth knowledge on the application of relevant sector-based methodologies, previous relevant experiences in applying the methodology, especially considering the earlier cooperation between Tunisia and UNDP in managing corruption risks in the health sector and drawing on international experiences. Additionally, practical exercises will be conducted, and the way forward will be openly discussed. Participants also get a certificate of participation upon completion of the training session.

#### **Agenda**

#### Wednesday, 1 June 2022

#### 08:30 - 09:00 Registration

#### 09:00 - 10:45 Opening session

### General Directorate of Governance and Prevention of Corruption, Presidency of the Government

 Slim Ben Jrad, Director General of Governance and Prevention of Corruption, Presidency of the Government, Republic of Tunisia

#### **Ministry of Transport**

 Najwa El Gherissi El Hosoumi, Director General in charge of the Governance Cell, Ministry of Transport

#### **United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)**

 Arkan El Seblani, Chief Anti-Corruption and Integrity Advisor, UNDP Regional Hub for Arab States

#### **The General Framework**

 Anouar Ben Khelifa, Senior Technical Specialist, UNDP Regional Hub for Arab States

#### 10:45 - 11:15 Break

#### 11:15 – 14:00 Session 1: Sectoral Corruption Risk Management Methodology

 Arkan El Seblani, Chief Anti-Corruption and Integrity Advisor, UNDP Regional Hub for Arab States

#### **Practical exercises**

#### Open discussion

#### 14:00 Lunch

#### Thursday, 2 June 2022

#### 14:00 – 15:45 Session 2: Governance of the Transport Sector in Tunisia

#### **Organization of the Transport Sector and its Structures**

Representative, Transport Sector Corruption Risk Management Task Force

#### Governance Gaps in the Transport Sector and Efforts to Address Them

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#### The Pillars of Transport Sector Integrity and the Relevant International Experiences

Chhavi Dhingra, International Expert in Transport Sector Governance

#### 15:45 - 16:00 Break

#### 16:00 - 18:00

Session 3: Tunisia's Experience in Implementing Sectoral Corruption Risk Management Methodology in the Health Sector

#### **Presentation of Outputs**

 Mohamed Meftah, Health Governance Expert, Head of the Health SCRM national task team 2017-2020

#### **Open Discussion**

#### Friday, 3 June 2022

#### 09:00 - 11:30

Session 4: Practical Applications of UNDP's Sectoral Corruption Risk Management Methodology in the Transport Sector

#### Identifying the "Scope" and Breaking it Down to "Decision Points"

 Arkan El Seblani, Chief Anti-Corruption and Integrity Advisor, UNDP Regional Hub for Arab States

#### Assessing the Likelihood and Impact and Generating a Risk Map

 Anouar Ben Khelifa, Senior Technical Specialist, UNDP Regional Hub for Arab States

#### **Developing a plan for Managing Corruption Risks**

 Mohamed Meftah, Health Governance Expert, Head of the Health SCRM national task team 2017-2020 11:30 - 12:00 Break

12:00 – 13:30 Session 5: Success Factors, Potential Risks and the Next Steps

**Conclusions from Comparative Experiences** 

**Sectoral Corruption Risk Management Task Force** 

 Mohamed Meftah, Health Governance Expert, Head of the Health SCRM national task team 2017-2020

Towards a Joint Action Plan to Support the Implementation the Sectoral Corruption Risk Management Methodology in the Transport Sector

13:30 Lunch