

# Specialized Training Session Corruption Risk Management in the Water Sector Hammamet, Republic of Tunisia 2-4 June 2022



# Programme

# Overview

Access to quality and affordable water is a basic human right and a crucial factor in the development of industries including agriculture, energy, human health, environment, and the overall economic growth. In many nations, urbanization and economic growth have contributed to an increase in water demand while supply has remained unchanged and even decreased due to climate change. SDG 6 acknowledges that sustainable water management extends beyond adequate sanitation and safe water supply (targets 6.1 and 6.2) to address issues with water quality, wastewater management, water scarcity, effective use of resources, and the preservation and restoration of water-related ecosystems.

In this context, the governance of the water sector and its protection from the risks of corruption becomes an important priority, especially since it is a vital component in the development and economy of any country, and therefore it is necessary to prioritize addressing corruption in this sector.

According to the above, the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), in cooperation with the General Directorate of Governance and Prevention of Corruption in the Presidency of the Government in the Republic of Tunisia, and with the Ministry of Agriculture, Water Resources and Fisheries and governance cells in this sector, organized a specialized session entitled "Tackling Corruption Risks in the Water Sector, in Tunis, Tunisia on March 10, 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 water 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 Agriculture, Water Resources and Fisheries submitted a technical support request to UNDP for implementing the Sectoral Corruption Risk Management Methodology in the sector. A decision was also issued by the Minister of Agriculture, Water Resources and Fishing 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 in Hammamet between 2- 4 June 2022, to provide 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 will get a certificate of participation upon completion of the training session.

# Agenda

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Thursday, 2 June 2022	
09:00 - 09:30	Registration
09:30 – 10:45	Welcome remarks
	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 Agriculture, Water Resources and Fisheries
	<ul> <li>Moez Al-Sulaiti, Head of the Governance Cell at the Ministry of Agriculture, Water Resources and Fishing</li> </ul>
	United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)
	• Arkan El Seblani, Chief Anti-Corruption and Integrity Advisor, UNDP Regional Hub for Arab States
10:45 - 11:15	Break
11:15 - 13:00	Session 1: Sectoral Corruption Risk Management Methodology
	<ul> <li>Anouar Ben Khelifa, Senior Technical Specialist, UNDP Regional Hub for Arab States</li> </ul>
	Practical exercises
	Open discussion
13:00	Lunch
	Friday, 3 June 2022
14:00 - 15:45	Session 2: Governance of the Water Sector in Tunisia

## Organization of the Water Sector and its Structures

• Representative, Water Sector Corruption Risk Management Task Force

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

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

• Furat Ahmed Al-Faraj, International Expert in Water Sector Governance

# 15:45 – 16:00 Break 16:00 – 18:00 Session 3: Tunisia's Experience in implementing Sectoral Corruption Risk Management

#### Presentation of Outputs

Methodology in the Health Sector

• Mohamed Meftah, Health Governance Expert and Head of the Health SCRM National Task Team 2017-2020

#### **Open Discussion**

## Saturday, 4 June 2022

## 09:00 – 11:30 Session 4: Practical Applications of Sectoral Corruption Risk Management Methodology in the Water 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 Mefteh, Health Governance Expert and 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 Water Sector

13:30 Lunch