



Third National Consultation

Integrating Gender Perspectives in Sectoral Anti-Corruption Policies and Programs: Views from Lebanon

27 January 2023

Beirut, Lebanon



Programme

Overview

The UNDP Regional Hub for the Arab States is organizing the third national consultation for Lebanon on 27 January 2023 in Beirut. This is part of a broader initiative that it is undertaking in partnership with Global Affairs Canada to enable the establishment and operationalization of a regional alliance of women leaders in the field of anti-corruption and integrity to support the exploration of synergies between corruption and gender inequality in the context of the Arab states region and promote the integration of gender perspectives in sectoral anti-corruption policies and programs that are aimed to strengthen integrity and prevent and combat corruption.

This third national consultation will be attended by leading Lebanese women in government, civil society, academia, and the business community in addition to senior public officials responsible for developing and implementing anti-corruption policies and programs.

Discussions will draw on the findings of earlier regional and national meetings held in the framework of this initiative, including the first and second Lebanon consultations that took place in Beirut in July and 14 November 2022 focusing on exploring the linkages between gender and corruption and the integration gender in National anti-corruption strategies in the specific context of Lebanon. In parallel, similar national consultations are taking place in other countries in the region and will link up to the ongoing regional dialogue taking place in this regard in the framework of the regional alliance mentioned above.

More specifically, the third Lebanon consultation will enable participants to discuss how corruption impact gender in specific sectors that are particularly vulnerable to corruption and key for sustainable development and economic growth and the necessity to integrate specific measures in sectoral anti-corruption policies and programs to make them more gender sensitive.

The issues paper 3 prepared by UNDP, will provide a basis for a subsequent discussion that facilitates conceiving, developing, advocating for integrating a gender perspective in Lebanon sectoral anti-corruption programs and policies.

The detailed agenda is on the next page. The languages used will be Arabic and English with simultaneous interpretation available. Documents and other materials from the regional meeting will be posted on our website: www.undp-aciac.org.

Agenda

Friday, 27 January 2023

09:30 – 10:00 Opening Session

Welcome Statement

- Sarah Dix, Senior Anti-Corruption and Integrity Specialist, Regional Hub for the Arab States, UNDP

Insights from the Fourth Regional Meeting on Integrating Gender perspectives in sectoral anti-corruption policies and programs

- Nisrine Machmouchi, President of the Civil Service Board, Lebanon

10:00 – 11:00 Session 1: Corruption typologies and risks of corruption in specific sectors: gender differentiation for policy impact

Objective: Based on the issues paper prepared by UNDP for this purpose, this session will focus on the different analysis and their deficient gendered considerations, as well as observations regarding specific risks women encounter in accessing services. The session will highlight the potential corruption risks in the health and education sectors with a view to suggesting ways to assess corrupt practices as well as exemplify tools and specific measures to Integrate in sectoral anti-corruption policies and programs to make them more gender sensitive.

Moderator

- Hakima Ghorri, Governance and Gender Expert, Regional Project on Anti-Corruption and Integrity in Arab Countries, UNDP

Presentation

- Nicola Ehlermann, Senior Anti-Corruption and Gender Advisor, UNDP Regional Hub for the Arab States

Discussion

11:00 – 11:30 Break

11:30 – 12:30 Session 2: Sectoral Corruption Risk Management (SCRM): methodology and opportunities to integrate gender perspectives

Objective: this session will enable participants to understand the methodology of Sectoral Corruption Risk Management. Participants will explore how, when and why integrating gender perspectives through a targeted analysis, risk Mapping, planning impactful actions but also the opportunities to implicate the various stakeholders. Discussions will explore the participants' views on opportunities and the challenges and how they are likely to impact outcomes from a gender perspective in specific sectors and specific context of Lebanon.

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- Hakima Ghorri, Governance and Gender Expert, Regional Project on Anti-Corruption and Integrity in Arab Countries, UNDP

Presentation

- Sarah Dix, Senior Anti-Corruption and Integrity Specialist, Regional Hub for the Arab States, UNDP

Discussions

12:30 – 13:30 Session 3: Practical considerations for integration gender perspectives in anti-corruption sectoral policies and strategies: Lebanon Social services

Objective: Through the first findings interviews, the participants will examine the risks of corruption in this specific sector. This session will support participants to define specific propositions for developing and implementing gender-sensitive policies and measures that can enhance the outcome of sectoral anti-corruption efforts in Lebanon. Participants are also expected to share their thoughts regarding feasible concrete measures to account for gender perspectives in current and future efforts.

Moderator

- Sarah Dix, Senior Anti-Corruption and Integrity Specialist, Regional Hub for the Arab States, UNDP

Presentation

- Mahassen Moursel Halabi, Journalist specialized in financial crimes, Lebanon

Plenary Discussion

13:30 – 14:00 Closing session

Conclusions and next steps

- Sarah Dix, Senior Anti-Corruption and Integrity Specialist, Regional Hub for the Arab States, UNDP

14:00 Lunch
