

Second National Consultation

Integrating Gender in National Anti-Corruption Strategies: Views from Jordan

10 November 2022

Amman, Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan



Programme

Overview

The UNDP Regional Hub for the Arab States is organizing the second national consultation for Jordan on 10 November 2022 in Amman. 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 policies and programs that are aimed to strengthen integrity and prevent and combat corruption.

This second national consultation will be attended by leading Jordanian women in government, civil society, academia, and the business community in addition to senior public officials responsible for developing and implementing the updated national integrity anti-corruption strategy in Jordan (2020-2025).

Discussions will draw on the findings of earlier regional and national meetings held in the framework of this initiative, including the first Jordan consultation that took place in Amman on 27 September 2022 focusing on exploring the linkages between gender and corruption in the context of Jordan. 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 second Jordan consultation will enable participants to discuss the rationales and methods for integrating gender perspectives in national anti-corruption strategies based on the Issues Paper that was prepared by UNDP for this purpose. Participants are also expected to identify and discuss possible public policies and measures that could be integrated in the updated Jordanian integrity anti-corruption strategy (2020-2025), and that could better account for women's perspectives and specific development priorities and needs with due considerations given to national context and circumstances.

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: <u>www.undp-aciac.org</u>.

Agenda

Thursday, 10 November 2022

09:30 – 10:00 Opening session

Welcoming remarks

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

Insights from the Third Regional Meeting on Integrating Gender in National and Anti-Corruption and Integrity Strategies

• Houda Abu Ishaq, Jordanian Integrity and Anti-Corruption Commission

10:00 – 10:30 Break

10:30 – 11:30 Session 1: The Updated National Integrity and Anti-Corruption Strategy (2020-2025) from a Gender Lens

Objective: Recalling the findings of earlier regional and national meetings, this session will deepen the knowledge of participants regarding the process for developing the updated national integrity and anti-corruption strategy (2020-2025), its content in terms of targeted results and planned activities, and the ongoing implementation efforts. Building on that, the session will also enable a discussion on the state of gender integration through these different aspects taking into consideration the findings of the regional Issues Paper developed by UNDP for this purpose.

Moderator

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

Presentation

• Rana Khashashna, Representative of the Jordanian Integrity and Anti-Corruption Commission

Discussions

11:30 – 13:00 Session 2: Gender-Sensitive Policies to Promote Integrity, Prevent and Combat Corruption

Objective: This session will enable the presentation and analysis of a series of proposed policy options that may be integrated in national anti-corruption strategies to make them more gender sensitive and enhance their contribution to gender equality. Discussions will explore the participants' views on opportunities and the challenges for advocating the integration of these policies in current and future strategy and how they are likely to impact outcomes from a gender perspective in the specific context of Jordan.

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• 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, Regional Project on Anti-Corruption and Integrity in Arab Countries, UNDP

Discussions

13:00 - 14:00 Lunch

14:00 – 15:00 Session 2: Gender-Sensitive Policies to Promote Integrity, Prevent and Combat Corruption (Continued)

Objective: This session will continue the presentation and analysis of the series of proposed policy options that may be integrated in national anti-corruption strategies to make them more gender sensitive and enhance their contribution to gender equality. Discussions will explore the participants' views on opportunities and the challenges for advocating the integration of these policies in current and future strategy and how they are likely to impact outcomes from a gender perspective in the specific context of Jordan.

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Discussions

15:00 – 16:30 Session 3: Practical Considerations for Strengthening Gender Integration in Jordan's Integrity and Anti-Corruption Strategy

Objective: This session will support participants to define specific recommendations for developing and implementing gender-sensitive policies and measures that can enhance the outcome of national anti-corruption efforts in Jordan, while also having measurable positive impact on gender equality and women empowerment in the country. Participants are also expected to share their thoughts regarding feasible concretes measures to account for gender perspectives in current and future efforts.

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Working Groups

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Closing

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