



Ministry of Agriculture, Water  
Resources and Fisheries



Workshop

## Supporting Water Sector Integrity in Tunisia

11 November 2024

Tunis, Republic of Tunisia

## Programme

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**KOICA**  
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## Overview

The Ministry of Agriculture, Water Resources, and Fisheries, in collaboration with the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), is organizing a workshop titled "Supporting Water Sector Integrity in Tunisia." The workshop will take place in Tunis on 11 November 2024, with support from the Korea International Cooperation Agency (KOICA) as part of its regional partnership with UNDP on Anti-Corruption and Integrity in Arab Countries.

The workshop is part of ongoing efforts to implement the recommendations of the corruption risk assessment conducted in the water sector. Prepared by the Ministry with support from the aforementioned partnership, the assessment focuses on areas such as licensing the extraction of underground water and investment-related incentives in the sector. The workshop offers an opportunity to officially launch the assessment findings, present the recommendations in detail, and discuss practical strategies for their implementation in collaboration with relevant stakeholders. Launched by the Ministry of Agriculture, Water Resources, and Fisheries in late 2022, with the support of UNDP, this initiative aligns with broader efforts under UNDP's portfolio "Governance as a Lever for Economic and Social Development." The workshop serves as a platform to introduce international partners to this innovative initiative, fostering dialogue on ways to align efforts and expand its scope to other areas.

The workshop brings together leaders from the water sector in the Republic of Tunisia, along with representatives from various public institutions, the private sector, civil society, international partners, and experts in governance and water management. Their aim will be to explore key opportunities and challenges facing the water sector in Tunisia, from the perspective of advancing governance reforms. The discussions will emphasize strengthening the integrity of the water sector through its four key dimensions: transparency, accountability, participation, and the rule of law. These principles were endorsed at the high-level regional conference held in Tunis on 10-11 June 2024, titled "Water Sector Integrity in Arab Countries: Risks, Solutions, and Stakeholder Roles." Supporting the integrity of water governance is essential to achieving sustainable development and a cornerstone of any reform efforts to improve the water sector. This is especially critical as the water sector is deeply intertwined with other vital areas such as agriculture, energy, and the environment, and plays a role in achieving food security and addressing the challenges of climate change.

The detailed agenda is provided below, and outcome documents will be made available on the website [www.undp-aci.org](http://www.undp-aci.org) within two weeks of the conclusion of the workshop. For inquiries and suggestions, please contact us via email at [aci@undp.org](mailto:aci@undp.org)

## Agenda

**Monday, 11/11/2024**

**08:30 – 09:00 Registration**

**09:00 – 09:30 Opening Session**

### **Official Statements**

- Hamadi Al-Habib, Secretary of State to the Minister of Agriculture, Water Resources, and Fisheries, Republic of Tunisia
- Celine Moyroud, Resident Representative, UNDP Tunisia

**09:30 – 11:00 First Session: The State of Water Resources in Tunisia and the Ministry's Strategic Directions for Governing its Management**

### **Presentation**

- Hamadi Al-Habib, Secretary of State to the Minister of Agriculture, Water Resources, and Fisheries, Republic of Tunisia

### **Discussion**

**11:00 – 11:30 Break**

**11:30 – 13:00 Second Session: Water Sector Integrity: An Overview of the Sectoral Corruption Risk Management Initiative**

### **Presentation**

- Moez Sliti, Director General of the Central Governance Cell, Ministry of Agriculture, Water Resources, and Fisheries, Republic of Tunisia

### **Discussion**

**13:00 – 13:30 Closing session**

**Dialogue on next steps**

- Arkan El Seblani, Regional Chief Advisor and Programme Manager on Anti-Corruption and Integrity, UNDP Regional Hub for the Arab states

#### **Concluding remarks**

**13:30 – 14:30 Lunch**

**14:30 – 16:00 Special Session: Dialogue with International Partners on Water Sector Integrity in Tunisia and Ways to Enhance Synergies with Economic and Social Investment and Development Efforts**

#### **Overall Framework**

- Hamadi Al-Habib, Secretary of State to the Minister of Agriculture, Water Resources, and Fisheries, Republic of Tunisia

#### **Presentation**

- Moez Sliti, Director General of the Central Governance Cell, Ministry of Agriculture, Water Resources, and Fisheries, Republic of Tunisia

#### **Interactive Dialogue**

- Arkan El Seblani, Regional Chief Advisor and Programme Manager on Anti-Corruption and Integrity, UNDP Regional Hub for the Arab states

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