

# Regional Expert Meeting on Accountability for Better Performance in Key Sectors

Wednesday, 1 June 2016

**09.00 – 11.00** First Plenary Session

Transparency and accountability in sectors that are most vulnerable to corruption in the Arab region

**Objective:** review available data and the perspectives of participants on what are the most vulnerable sectors to corruption and how best to strengthen transparency and accountability in them, while enabling them to learn more about related comparative experiences.

**Chair**

H.E.Mr. Kamel AYADI, Minister of Public Function, Governance and Anti-Corruption, Republic of Tunisia

- Most vulnerable sectors to corruption in the Arab region and the feasibility of sectoral approaches  
Mr. Mustafa KHAWAJA, Independent senior expert

Open dialogue on good practices and lessons learned in comparative experiences

- Three main discussants

**11.00 – 11.15** Break

**11.15 – 13.00** Second Plenary Session

Importance of collective action against corruption and the means to advance it in the Arab region

**Objective:** develop the knowledge of participants on collective action concepts and key mechanisms, and enable them to contribute to an open dialogue on the related status quo in the Arab region and the requirements for advancing it in light of current opportunities and challenges.

## Chair

- H.E.Mr. Abdesselam ABOUDRAR, Chairperson of the Central Authority for Corruption Prevention, Kingdom of Morocco, Concepts and key mechanisms of collective action
- Dr. Juanita OLAYA, Independent senior expert

Open dialogue on the state of collective action in the region and the requirements for advancing it

- Three main discussants

**13.00 – 14.00** Lunch

**14.00 – 18.00**

- Parallel Working Session (A): Collective Action

**Objective:** explore the training needs to promote collective action in developing, implementing and monitoring national anti-corruption strategies, and formulate recommendations to design training programs that may add value to the related efforts in Arab countries.

- Parallel Working Session (B-1): Health

**Objective:** update participants on the state of the health sector in the Arab region, and explore how corrupt practices influence it and the means to prevent them in light of the particularities of the sector and the good practices and the lessons learned from comparative experiences.

**Thursday, 2 June 2016**

**09.00 – 13.00**

- Parallel Working Session (B-2): Health

**Objective:** discuss the proposal for a guide on corruption risk management in the health sector, and formulate recommendations to enrich it and facilitate its utilization in the field in interested Arab countries.

- Parallel Working Session (C-1): Customs

**Objective:** update participants on the state of the customs sector in the Arab region, and explore how corrupt practices influence it and the means to prevent them in light of the particularities of the sector and the good practices and the lessons learned from comparative experiences

**13.00 – 14.00** Lunch

**14.00 – 18.00**

- Parallel Working Session (B-3): Health

**Objective:** explore the training needs to strengthen transparency and accountability in the health sector and promote collective action to safeguard it against corruption, and formulate recommendations to design training programmes that may add value to the related efforts in Arab countries.

- Parallel Working Session (C-2): Customs

**Objective:** discuss the proposal for a guide on corruption risk management in the customs sector, and formulate recommendations to enrich it and facilitate its utilization in the field in interested Arab countries.

**Friday, 3 June 2016**

**09.00 – 13.00**

- Parallel Working Session (G-3): Customs

**Objective:** explore the training needs to strengthen transparency and accountability in the customs sector and promote collective action to safeguard it against corruption, and formulate recommendations to design training programmes that may add value to the related efforts in Arab countries.

- Parallel Working Session (D): Justice

**Objective:** conduct an in-depth discussion on the state of the police and the judiciary in the Arab region and the influence of corruption on their capacity to deliver justice, and formulate specific measurable recommendations to safeguard them against corruption.

**13.00 – 14.00** Lunch

**14.00 – 16.00** Third Plenary Session

Conclusions and cooperation prospects

**Objective:** present the conclusion of each of the four parallel working session and enrich it through an open discussion, while reviewing the ideas and the preparedness of participants to engage in cooperative efforts to follow up on implementation.

**Chair**

- To be assigned

Conclusions of the parallel working sessions

- Four rapporteurs

**Open discussion**