Experiences of States Parties in Making Use of Best Practices Suggested Under the CoSP and its Intergovernmental Meetings

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States parties to the United Nations Convention against Corruption (UNCAC) are keen to maximize their benefits from the UNCAC meetings, but challenges may arise when an attempt is made to ensure efficient coordination between relevant governmental institutions, in order to:

1. Implement the UNCAC;
2. Implement best international practices in promoting integrity and combating corruption;
3. Share national experience and best practices in international meetings;
4. Provide technical assistance and expertise to other States parties.
Over the past 10 years, the Kingdom has amended and its regulations to meet the provisions of the Convention. As a result, in 2007 the National Strategy for Maintaining Integrity and Combating corruption was developed and in 2011 the National Anti-corruption Commission (NAZAHA) was established.
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1. هيئة السوق المالية (Capital Market Authority)
2. هيئة الرقابة والتحقيق (Control and Investigation Board)
3. وزارة التجارة والاستثمار (Ministry of Commerce and Investment)
4. وزارة الشؤون البلدية والقروية (Ministry of Municipal and Rural Affairs)
5. ديوان المراقبة العامة (General Auditing Bureau)
6. الجمارك السعودية (Saudi Customs)
7. القطاع الخاص ومؤسسات المجتمع المدني (Private sector & civil society)
8. مجلس الغرف السعودية (Council of Saudi Chambers)
Saudi Arabia formed a team of government experts, headed by the National Anti-Corruption Commission, comprising the following most relevant Governmental institutions:

1) Ministry of Justice
2) Ombudsman Office
3) Public Prosecution
4) Ministry of Interior
5) Ministry of Foreign Affairs
6) Ministry of Finance
7) Ministry of Civil Service
8) Saudi Arabian Monetary Agency (SAMA).

A principal member and an alternate member have been appointed to represent each of these institutions.

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Terms of Reference of the Saudi Experts Team

1. Effective participation in the Implementation of the Review Mechanism of the UNCAC.

2. Reviewing other States parties as determined by drawing of lots.

3. Utilization of the best international practices in protecting integrity and combating corruption.

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Role of the Governmental Experts Team in the effective participation in the Review Mechanism of the UNCAC

2. Appointing the focal point
3. Attending the drawing of lots
4. Completing the self-assessment checklist
5. Meeting reviewing states in the Country Visit
6. Discussing the Executive Summary and country report
7. Taking corrective actions on all comments stated in the country report
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The Role of the Saudi Government Experts Team in Reviewing States parties as determined by the Drawing of Lots
The Role of the Saudi Government Experts Team in implementing best international practices

Stages

One
- Inviting relevant agencies to participate in the most relevant international meetings

Two
- Good preparation for the meeting

Three
- Participation report
  The report includes the following:
  • Best international practices.
  • Recommendations on how to implement these practices.
  • Agencies concerned with these practices.
  • Report signed by all members of the delegation.

Four
- Following-Up
  The Government Experts Team meets every three months, to discuss:
  • Progress made by each agency in the implementation of international best practices in areas of protecting integrity and combating corruption.
  • Challenges to the implementation of international best practices.
  • Proposals for appropriate solutions to overcome these challenges.

跟进
- 咨询委员会
  每三个月召开一次会议，讨论以下内容：
  • 每个机构在实施国际最佳实践方面所做的进展。
  • 实施国际最佳实践中的挑战。
  • 应对这些挑战的适当解决方案。

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المراحل
- الأولى
  دعوة الجهات ذات العلاقة للمشاركة في الاجتماعات الدولية

- الثانية
  التحضير الجيد للاجتماع

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- الرابعة
  التقدم المحرز من كل جهة في تنفيذ أفضل الممارسات الدولية في مجال حماية النزاهة ومكافحة الفساد.
  • التحديات التي تواجه تطبيق أفضل الممارسات الدولية.
  • الاقتراح الحلول المناسبة للتغلب على التحديات التي تواجه التطبيق.
Examples of Government Experts outcomes

Presenting the Kingdom’s experiences in promoting integrity in education

The National Anti-Corruption Commission, in cooperation with UNODC and the Saudi Experts Team, held a training course to train experts from selected Arab countries on the second cycle of the review mechanism.

Providing technical assistance to other States Parties

The Expert Team has presented many successful experiences at UNCAC meetings, in the protection of integrity and combating corruption. For example, the experts presented the Saudi experience with the establishment of Nazaha Clubs in civil and military universities and colleges.

Implementation of the best international practices published by the UNODC

Submitted the best practices of the UNODC for the international community of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) for the international practices developed by the UNODC, including the Bangalore Principles of Judicial Conduct, Implementation Manual, the Evaluation Framework on Article 11 of the Convention, the Practical Guide to Developing Anti-Corruption Strategies etc.

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Political will to implement recommendations is a basic requirement.

The good selection of the Saudi Government Experts Team.

Importance of inviting relevant governmental agencies to attend meetings and prepare recommendations.

Importance of a written and agreed upon cooperation mechanism between government institutions to enhance the utilization of international meetings.

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Discussion

Question

What are the experiences of States Parties in coordinating between their internal bodies to adopt the best international experiences in protecting integrity and combating corruption?

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Thank you