



**GOOD GOVERNANCE
FOR DEVELOPMENT
IN ARAB COUNTRIES
INITIATIVE**

The Way Forward to GfD II

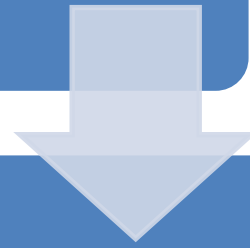
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From GfD I to GfD II

GfD I, solid basis for a new impulse

Active networking of policy-makers and practitioners
Mutual understanding of national governance policies
A common language for addressing governance issues



GfD II, a clear focus on priorities

Based on

- Country action plans
- Focus themes and expressed regional priorities
- Regional pilot projects



2008 – 2010:

TOWARDS IMPLEMENTATION AND
BENCHMARKING OF REFORM

GfD II, supporting the process of governance reform

REFORM

- Reform towards an end
- Reform has costs and benefits

NEEDS

- Leadership, reinforced by:
 - Technical and institutional capacities
 - Communication strategies
 - Participation of stakeholders

GfD II

- Proposes a dynamic programme of work
- Based on consultation, best practices and methodologies
- To achieve results in specific areas



GfD II, focus themes

- 1) Integrity in the public sector
- 2) Human resource management
- 3) E Government
- 4) Administrative simplification
- 5) Management of public expenditure
- 6) Regulatory quality
- 7) Public service delivery and PPP
- 8) Relations between Central, Regional and Local Levels of Government
- 9) Implementation of the United Nations Convention against Corruption
- 10) Judicial capacity on economic disputes
- 11) Enforcement of judgements
- 12) Independence and integrity of the judicial system



GfD II, a strategic approach

- 1. Deepening policy dialogue, knowledge and capacity building at the regional level**
- 2. Fostering peer advice and partnerships for reform at the national level**
- 3. Monitoring and measuring progress in the public sector and the judiciary**
- 4. Anchoring the GfD Initiative in a regional framework of institutions and networks for reform**

GfD II, supporting policy making by regional and national activities

1.- Dialogue, knowledge and capacity building at REGIONAL level:

- Joint analysis and dialogue makes integral part of policy process
- Capacity building is linked to the process of reform
- Regional guidelines and good practices are at the disposal of policy makers
- Peer learning / peer envy

2.- Peer advice and partnerships at NATIONAL level:

- Peer advice methodologies are used for problem solving and reform implementation
- Joint learning networks are set up to accompany reform (e.g. Public procurement in Morocco)

GfD II, a technical and institutional support to policy making

3.- Monitoring and measuring progress in the public sector and the judiciary:

- Policy oriented governance indicators are developed
- Reliable measurement improves evidence-based decision making

4.- Regional framework of institutions and networks for reform:

- Aligning with regional institutions
- Enhanced partnerships with bi- and multilateral donors
- Regional centres of expertise
- Resource mobilisation

Institutional Framework, GfD I

STEERING COMMITTEE AT MINISTERIAL AND TECHNICAL LEVEL

GfD Regional Working Groups

1. Civil Service and Integrity

Chair: Morocco
Co-chairs: Spain, Turkey

2. E-government and Administrative Simplification

Chair: Dubai (UAE)
Co-chairs: Italy, Korea

6. Civil Society and the Media

Chair: Lebanon
Co-chairs: EU

5. The Role of the Judiciary and Enforcement of Judgements

Chair: Jordan
Co-chairs: US, France

3. Governance of Public Finance

Chair: Egypt
Co-chairs: Netherlands, US

4. Public Service Delivery, Regulatory Reform and PPPs

Chair: Tunisia
Co-chairs: UK, Italy, Canada

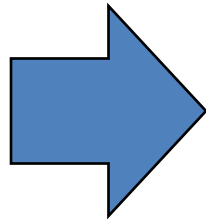
GfD II, mobilisation of institutional and financial resources

NEEDS

Mobilisation of knowledge and expertise

Mobilisation of human resources

Financial support



ANSWERS

- Strategies to link OECD countries practitioners to GfD projects
- Strategy to link donors to GfD projects
- Ensure complementarities between GfD and existing co-operation programs in the Arab region

Suggested themes for discussion

Working towards Good Governance reforms in the countries of the MENA region needs...

your assessment on challenges, constraints and how to take full advantage of:

Regional Policy Dialogue

Peer learning

Regional Centres

Mechanisms for co-operation and networking on anti-corruption and transparency

Strengthened partnerships and resource mobilisation

... and your thoughts on how to communicate reform