Terms of Reference for the Assessment Advisory Board for the Sheikh Tamim bin Hamad Al Thani Anti-Corruption Excellence Award.

1. Introduction

The Sheikh Tamim bin Hamad Al Thani Anti-Corruption Excellence Award (hereinafter referred to as 'the Award') is intended to offer recognition and appreciation to successful and effective approaches and prominent contributions to the prevention of and fight against corruption. It would recognize and reward exceptional efforts made by individuals, groups and organizations, including youth. The Award would be given to initiatives that have demonstrated or have potential in significantly contributing or driving effectiveness in the field of anti-corruption.

With a view to promoting greater awareness of the importance of tackling corruption and to encourage implementation of crucial measures of the United Nations Convention against Corruption, creative achievements and contributions of individuals and organizations towards more effective and responsive anti-corruption prevention efforts in countries worldwide would be rewarded with the Sheikh Tamim bin Hamad Al Thani Anti-Corruption Excellence Award.

By highlighting exemplary models and promoting excellence and creativity in anticorruption, the Award would facilitate the collection, dissemination and, where possible, replication of noteworthy initiatives and good practices to foster integrity, accountability and transparency. In this context, the Award would serve as an incentive and as a tool to identify, recognize, honour and reward those who have shown vision, leadership, creativity, enthusiasm in, and commitment and dedication for tackling corruption, as well as the capacity to inspire others to replicate similar efforts. Against this background, the Award would create a platform that acknowledges good practices and spurs action in the global fight against corruption.

Every year those eligible for nomination will be determined the following categories:

- Anti-Corruption Lifetime/Outstanding Achievement
- Anti-Corruption Academic Research and Education
- Anti-Corruption Youth Creativity and Engagement

- Anti-Corruption Innovation or Investigative Journalism
- Safeguarding Sports from Corruption

2. Selection and composition of the AAB

- 2.1. The Assessment Advisory Board (hereinafter referred to as 'the AAB') shall be composed of experts in the field of preventing and combating corruption.
- 2.2. The members of the AAB shall be selected by the Secretariat in consultation with the Chairman of the Board of Trustees.
- 2.3. The AAB shall be composed of a minimum of five members, with due regard to regional geographic representation and gender balance with the aim of ensuring an impartial and transparent selection process.

3. Obligations and responsibilities of the AAB

- 3.1. The responsibilities of the AAB shall be as follows:
- 3.2. To conduct the assessment and selection of nominees for the different Award categories from the list of nominees prepared by the Sheikh Tamim bin Hamad Al Thani Anti-Corruption Excellence Award Secretariat (hereinafter referred to as 'the Secretariat') according to the Guidelines for the nomination, assessment, evaluation and selection for the Sheikh Tamim bin Hamad Al Thani Anti-Corruption Excellence Award (hereinafter referred to as 'the Guidelines');
- 3.3. To advise the Secretariat of any discrepancies and/or inconsistencies in the nomination and assessment process; and
- 3.4. To prepare the shortlist with appropriate recommendations in each Award category for submission to the High-Level Award Committee (hereinafter referred to as 'the HLC') for final selection.
- 3.5. These responsibilities shall be carried out by the AAB in line with the Code of Conduct.
- 3.6. If a member of the AAB cannot conduct an unbiased selection due to any of the factors established in the Code of Conduct and/or any other factors, he/she shall inform the AAB and abstain from the process.