

Annex - Questionnaire

Measures taken to implement the Convention and the commitments contained in the UNGASS political declaration, as well as good practices and progress made in the use of international cooperation mechanisms under the Convention¹

Country	The People's Republic of China
Implementing authority/authorities	Independent Commission Against Corruption (ICAC), Hong Kong Special Administrative Region
Corresponding paragraph(s) of the UNGASS political declaration and/or article(s) of the Convention	<u>UNGASS political declaration</u> Paragraphs 60 and 66
Title of initiative	Promotion of effective regional cooperation to advance international efforts against corruption
Keywords of initiative	ICAC, International Association of Anti-Corruption Authorities, IAACA, regional cooperation, regional coordination
Short summary of initiative (please indicate the start date/duration if relevant)	ICAC has been promoting regional coordination mechanism under the umbrella of International Association of Anti-Corruption Authorities (IAACA) with a view to fostering international collaboration towards the United Nations (UN)'s Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) 16.5 to "substantially reduce corruption and bribery in all their forms" in 2030.
Detailed description of initiative	<p>ICAC has been keenly participating in international anti-corruption platform including IAACA. As an active Member of the Executive Committee of IAACA since 2008, ICAC saw the potential of IAACA in leveraging its diverse membership across different regions in the world to advance regional connection for its long term development and boost global efforts for attaining SDG 16.5.</p> <p>ICAC put up the Regional Coordination Mechanism initiative to the IAACA Executive Committee, which was endorsed at its Meeting held in April 2021. With the assumption of Presidency in January 2022, ICAC has taken the initiative forward. Under the Mechanism, Organisational Members of IAACA are categorised under five regional groups with reference to the UN's Regional Groups of Member States. The President and four Vice-Presidents, being the Regional Coordinators of the region they belong to, work with the Executive Committee Members of his regional group to devise and implement training and capacity building activities in consideration of the training needs identified in the region. Regional Coordinators are also entrusted to promote the work of IAACA and recruit new Members.</p>

¹ Please use one form per initiative described

	The Regional Coordination Mechanism runs smoothly with work plans being drawn up and regional training programmes being organised under the leadership of Regional Coordinators.
Lessons learned in implementing the initiative	Anti-corruption authorities within the same region may face common challenges in the fight against corruption. They may have already established cooperation network and are more ready to strengthen and expand the collaboration because of geographical proximity, mutual operational needs and/or social-economic-cultural similarities. These common features can serve as a foundation for wider regional and international anti-corruption collaboration.
Challenges encountered in implementing the initiative	-
Link to more information	https://www.icac.org.hk/icac/post/iaaca2/en/index.html