

## 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 Convention<sup>1</sup>**

<b>Country</b>	The People's Republic of China
<b>Implementing authority/authorities</b>	Independent Commission Against Corruption (ICAC), Hong Kong Special Administrative Region
<b>Corresponding paragraph(s) of the UNGASS political declaration and/or article(s) of the Convention</b>	<u>UNGASS political declaration</u> Paragraphs 38, 53 and 58  <u>UNCAC</u> Articles 48, 60 and 61
<b>Title of initiative</b>	Provision of capacity building and consultancy services to States Parties to the Convention
<b>Keywords of initiative</b>	ICAC, capacity building, training collaboration, consultancy service, knowledge sharing
<b>Short summary of initiative</b> (please indicate the start date/duration if relevant)	ICAC has been collaborating with and assisting anti-corruption agencies (ACAs) of the States Parties to the Convention to build up their anti-corruption capacity by offering consultancy services and providing training to their graft-fighters.
<b>Detailed description of initiative</b>	<p>In view of the importance of international cooperation in graft-fighting, ICAC, as the agency designated by the Central People's Government of the People's Republic of China to assist other signatories to the Convention, has leveraged its anti-corruption experience and wide international network to contribute to the global anti-corruption community by collaborating with and offering tailored capacity building programmes and advice in carrying out anti-corruption mandates to ACAs in other jurisdictions under the framework of the Convention.</p> <p>To better understand the ACAs' training needs and tailor the training programmes, ICAC will first conduct study visits to the ACAs and research into areas such as the social, political and economic situations of the countries; corruption situation and anti-corruption regime of the countries; and the challenges faced by the ACAs.</p> <p>Capitalising on the effective ICAC model, capacity building programmes are drawn up based on the three-pronged strategy - Investigation (i.e. investigate into allegations of corruption),</p>

<sup>1</sup> Please use one form per initiative described

	<p>Prevention (i.e. prevent corruption at source), and Community Education (i.e. engage the public in the fight against corruption).</p> <p>The depth and sophistication of the training modules will be tailored to suit the training needs of ACAs. Topical issues covered include financial investigation, asset recovery, systemic prevention in public procurement, youth engagement, etc. The programmes are delivered in the form of lectures, discussion sessions and hypothetical case study exercises as appropriate. Site visits and visits to ICAC’s facilities may also be arranged for programmes conducted in Hong Kong.</p> <p>As at August 2022, ICAC has established connections with over 60 States Parties to the Convention, conducted 18 on-site study visits, and organised 39 in-person, outreach and online training programmes for around 1 200 graft-fighters of different ACAs and international organisations around the world.</p>
<p><b>Lessons learned in implementing the initiative</b></p>	<p>Despite the diverse political, social, cultural and legal landscapes, corruption problems faced by many ACAs are more or less the same. Some of the difficulties they are facing are similar to what Hong Kong experienced in the 1960s and 1970s. ICAC’s experience in tackling corruption in the 1970s and 1980s is of high reference value to many ACAs.</p> <p>The delivery of capacity building training is a two-way communication and benefits both sides. Through discussion and exchange of experience, sometimes we found new solutions in handling common issues.</p>
<p><b>Challenges encountered in implementing the initiative</b></p>	<p>Geographical locations, diverse legal systems, and language barriers.</p>
<p><b>Link to more information</b></p>	<p><a href="https://www.icac.org.hk/en/intl-persp/int-regional-capacity/training-modules/index.html">https://www.icac.org.hk/en/intl-persp/int-regional-capacity/training-modules/index.html</a></p> <p><a href="https://www.icac.org.hk/en/intl-persp/int-regional-capacity/around-the-globe/index.html">https://www.icac.org.hk/en/intl-persp/int-regional-capacity/around-the-globe/index.html</a></p>