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**THE THIRD ARAB CODEX COLLOQUIUM**

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**DAY 1 Break-Out Session Guidance**

**Part I: Review of Agenda Items and Preparation for Upcoming Committees**

1. Review agendas from upcoming committees or reports from previous sessions:
	* Identify items of interest on agenda.
	* Identify items planned for further discussion from reports:
		+ Items to be considered at Step 7 (currently at Step 6).
		+ Items to be considered at Step 4 (currently at Steps 2, 3).
	1. For items at Step 6
* Identify (from report) areas that will be subject of Discussion (between [ ]).

1.2 For items at Steps 2, 3

* Review previous discussions from report.
	1. Discuss the relevance of the item for your country / for the region and for Codex.
	2. Identify recommendations / suggestions (if any) that may guide the discussions:
* Do you think the item requires further work?
* Do you need to bring the item further to the attention of your colleagues / peers or other organizations (e.g. stakeholders in your country to solicit input)?

**Part II: Discussion of Enhancements to the Arab Codex Initiative**

1. Management and Coordination

The Arab Codex Initiative agreed to develop a Working Group / Committee to manage procedures of operations with respect to initiatives, aiming to further adhere to Codex Values – Collaboration, Transparency, Inclusiveness and Consensus Building.

* 1. What should be the scope of the WG?
* Areas requiring more guidance or “Codification”?
* Criteria for the selection of delegations receiving financial support to send delegates to attend meetings.
* Criteria to benefit from support to annual meeting attendance (e.g. Codex Colloquium).
	1. Enhancement of Regional Coordination Efforts.
* How to leverage coordination efforts at the GCC level?
* How to maximize benefits of inter-regional coordination meetings?
* Review of other experiences / best practices from other regions.
* Suggestions / Recommendations?