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A Member-Driven COMCEC: Role of the WG Focal Points & National Focal Points



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Successful implementation of the COMCEC Strategy will only be possible with the **invaluable contributions** and **active support** of the Member Countries

Main Actors at Country Level

WG FOCAL POINTS

Within the framework of the implementation of the COMCEC Strategy,

- Each Member Country has notified their **WG focal points from relevant Ministries** for each of the six cooperation area.

NATIONAL FOCAL POINT

Each Member Country has had Country Focal Point for

- coordinating the preparations at the national level for the COMCEC Ministerial Meeting and Follow-up Committee Meetings
- particularly from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs/ Ministry of Economy or Trade

ROLE OF THE WG FOCAL POINTS

The Role of WG Focal Points

- ***Representing*** their countries with respect to WGs
- ***Mobilizing institutional and human capacity*** of the Member Countries towards effective implementation of the COMCEC Strategy
 - ***Informing/Raising awareness of*** the relevant Ministries/Institutions in the Member Countries about the COMCEC, COMCEC Strategy and its implementation instruments (*WGs and COMCEC Project Funding*)
 - ***Actively participating*** in WG Meetings/***Ensuring the participation of qualified/relevant experts*** to the WGs

The Role of WG Focal Points

- **Actively contributing to the formulation of policy recommendations of the WGs**
- **Informing/raising awareness on the agreed policy recommendations of the WGs among the relevant national bodies and encouraging their effective realization in their respective countries.**

The Role of WG Focal Points

▸ **Before the WG Meetings:**

- **Coordinating** the relevant Ministries/Institutions in their Countries
- Coordinating filling out the **surveys, policy questions, questionnaires**, etc by the relevant stakeholders (i.e. private sector, NGOs, etc.)
- Facilitating and coordinating **field visits** conducted in their respective countries during the preparation of the analytical studies
- The examination of **the Analytical Studies and Outlook reports in detail**; making comments and constructive critics on the documents

The Role of WG Focal Points

- **During the WG Meetings:** Encouraging the participants to:
 - ***Actively participate in the discussions***
 - ***Share the observations and comments*** on the Analytical Studies and Outlook Reports
 - ***Share country experiences*** on the theme of the respective WG
 - ***Make theme-focused presentations***

The Role of WG Focal Points

- › **After the WG Meetings:**

- › ***sharing the outputs/policy recommendations of the WG Meetings*** with the relevant institutions of their Countries
- › ***providing feedback to the COMCEC Secretariat*** for improving the quality of the analytical studies as well as organization of the Meetings

The Role of WG Focal Points

- ***Informing*** the National Focal Points about the WG efforts and policy recommendations
- ***Raising awareness*** of the relevant institutions of their Countries about the COMCEC Project Funding and encouraging the submission of ***multilateral cooperation projects*** under the COMCEC Project Funding

The Role of WG Focal Points

- ***Facilitating the effective communication and coordination*** with the CCO
 - ***Following-up*** the Invitation Letters
 - Informing the relevant Ministries/ Institutions/ Departments
 - Confirming the participation timely
- ***Responding*** to the inquiries of the CCO within the ***given deadlines***

The Role of WG Focal Points

- ***Communicating the updated information*** regarding Focal Points
 - Changes in focal points
 - Changes in contact details

***POSSIBLE ROLE FOR NATIONAL FOCAL POINTS
FOR ENHANCING COORDINATION
AT COUNTRY LEVEL***

The Role of COMCEC National Focal Points

Each Member Country has had Country Focal Point for

- coordinating the preparations at the national level for the COMCEC Ministerial Meeting and Follow-up Committee Meetings

Possible Role of COMCEC National Focal Points

- ***Raising awareness*** about the COMCEC in general, COMCEC Strategy and its implementation instruments (WGs and COMCEC Project Funding) in their respective countries
- ***Having an effective communication and coordination*** with the WG focal points
- ***Coordinating*** the WG focal points in their respective Countries with a view to ensuring regular and active participation of the relevant experts in cooperation efforts

Possible Role of COMCEC National Focal Points

- ***Encouraging*** the WG focal points to utilize from the COMCEC Project Funding
- ***Having a catalyst role*** for the realization/implementation of the policy recommendations of the WGs in their respective countries
- ***Regularly reporting*** the implementation status of the policy recommendations to the COMCEC Secretariat

Possible Role of COMCEC National Focal Points

- ***Informing*** the delegates participating in the relevant COMCEC Ministerial and Senior Officials Meetings about the WG efforts and, if possible, ***taking part*** in these delegations for ***strengthening*** the link between the WGs and COMCEC Sessions
- ***Facilitating effective communication as well as coordination*** with the COMCEC Secretariat in general.



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