

MECHANISM FOR THE ENGAGEMENT OF “OTHER RELEVANT NATIONAL AUTHORITIES” UNDER PARAGRAPH 7E OF THE GLOBE CHARTER

The Mechanism under paragraph 7e of the GlobE Charter is adopted by the GlobE Steering Committee following the discussions at the third plenary meeting of the GlobE Network (November 2022) and at the first meeting of Thematic Working Group 1 on Operation (February 2023). It aims to allow non-member relevant national authorities to benefit from and contribute to the work of the GlobE Network.

The mechanism is developed in line with the GlobE Charter, which recognizes that cooperation between and among anti-corruption law enforcement authorities across national borders increases the effectiveness of individual authorities and contributes to the success of the global fight against corruption.

Paragraph 7a of the Charter provides that membership of the GlobE Network is “open to specialized authorities as referred to in Article 36 of the Convention (anti-corruption law enforcement authorities) from all Member States and States Parties”, while pursuant to Paragraph 7d a maximum of 3 authorities per country can join the Network as members.

Further to this, paragraph 7e of the Charter provides that “other relevant national authorities will also be able to benefit from and contribute to the work of the Network according to a mechanism established by its members.”

Engaging with other anti-corruption authorities outside of Article 36 UNCAC, and ad hoc access provided to certain authorities at the request of GlobE Network members, shall be governed by a different mechanism.

1. Auxiliary membership criteria

The mechanism shall apply to specialized authorities as referred to in Article 36 of the UN Convention against Corruption (anti-corruption law enforcement authorities) from all member States and States Parties outside of the three GlobE member authorities. These authorities shall be referred to as “auxiliary members”.

2. Procedure for application

Non-member relevant national authorities may express their interest in benefiting from and contributing to the work of the GlobE Network, after coordination with GlobE Network members from the same country, through their country’s Permanent Mission to the UN.

An application for auxiliary membership shall be sent to the GlobE secretariat using a standard application form (Annex I).

The Secretariat shall check if the application form for auxiliary membership contains all necessary information for the assessment of the applicant's eligibility.

Contact with an auxiliary member shall be ensured via a designated contact point from that auxiliary member.

3. Participation in the GlobE Network

Access to the GlobE secure communication solution shall be provided to the contact point or to other designated person(s) from the authority, upon request.

Auxiliary members may be consulted on matters relevant to the activities of the Network, as appropriate.

Auxiliary members shall be invited to attend the Plenary and subsidiary bodies of the Network. They shall have an advisory role and no voting rights.

Auxiliary members shall endeavor to support GlobE Network and its objectives.

4. Domestic coordination

Auxiliary members shall be encouraged to coordinate with the members of the GlobE Network from the same country.

5. Responsibilities of the GlobE secretariat

The secretariat shall inform the members of the GlobE Network from the same country that an application for auxiliary membership is submitted.

The secretariat shall maintain a list of auxiliary members and their contact points.