



Social Contract Center



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What is the SCC ?

- Joint project between the United Nations Development Program (**UNDP**) and the Cabinet's Information and Decision Support Center (**IDSC**).
- The mandate of each of the two institutions is to provide **technical support** to Government entities.

What is the SCC ?

UNDP: Offers technical assistance to government entities concerning:

- **Monitoring** the progress towards achieving the MDGs.
- **Supporting** the reform process toward democratic governance particularly, the shift towards **decentralization and enhancing social participation** in the development process.

What is the SCC ?

IDSC: Offers technical support and policy advice to all ministries and other government entities mainly through:

- **Analysis** of the outcomes/impact of current and planned economic and social policies.
- **Studying the attitudes and trends** of public opinion regarding these policies.
- **SCC** has the same mandate of IDSC and UNDP (providing policy advice and technical support) **BUT within the framework of the new Social Contract.**

What is the SCC ?

Two Important points of strengths of **SCC**:

- **SCC** has access to and hence, **can benefit from all expertise and technical resources** available at IDSC
- Affiliation to the Cabinet should provide **SCC** with the needed **flexibility in networking** with all ministries and government institutions

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SCC VISION

- The SCC vision mirrors the vision provided by EHDR 2005 emphasizing the need for a new Social Contract, i.e. a rearticulation of the relationship between the State and the citizens, CSOs and the private business sector

The 4-3-2-1 Vision

4 Partners:

Government – Civil Society –
Private Business Sector – Citizens

3 Principles:

Equality – Participation – Accountability

2 Parallel Tracks:

Economic Growth & Social Development

One Goal:

A Dignified Life for Every Egyptian
Citizen



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A Dignified Life for Every Egyptian Citizen

A goal hardly achieved without two pre-requisites:

- Clear designation of an accepted minimum package of rights for all citizens
- Giving a voice to all diverse groups in the society

SCC VISION

Clear designation of an accepted minimum package of rights for all citizens that ensures:

- **Security, respect of human rights and the rule of law**
- **Direct financial assistance to those in extreme poverty**
- **Access to quality free education including preschool**
- **Access to universal health insurance**
- **Better access to physical infrastructure**
- **Better access to low-income housing**
- **Raising employment and productivity**

Giving a voice to all diverse groups in the society:

- **To ensure a match between needs/aspirations and the policies/decisions made**
- **To secure commitment, stimulate a common will and collective observance of the implementation of these decisions and policies**

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SCC Mission

Supporting Human Development efforts in
Egypt and social participation in the
decision making process

Specific Objectives:

- ❑ Supporting & Monitoring the implementation of the 55 Social Contract programs
- ❑ Monitoring the progress of Egypt towards achieving the MDGs

Strategic Objectives:

- **Building a national consensus** around the concept and implications of the Social Contract
- **Re-building trust** between the government and the citizens
- Supporting efforts to **empower civil society**
- **Monitoring the MDGs and poverty** reduction efforts using a developmental and a rights-based approach

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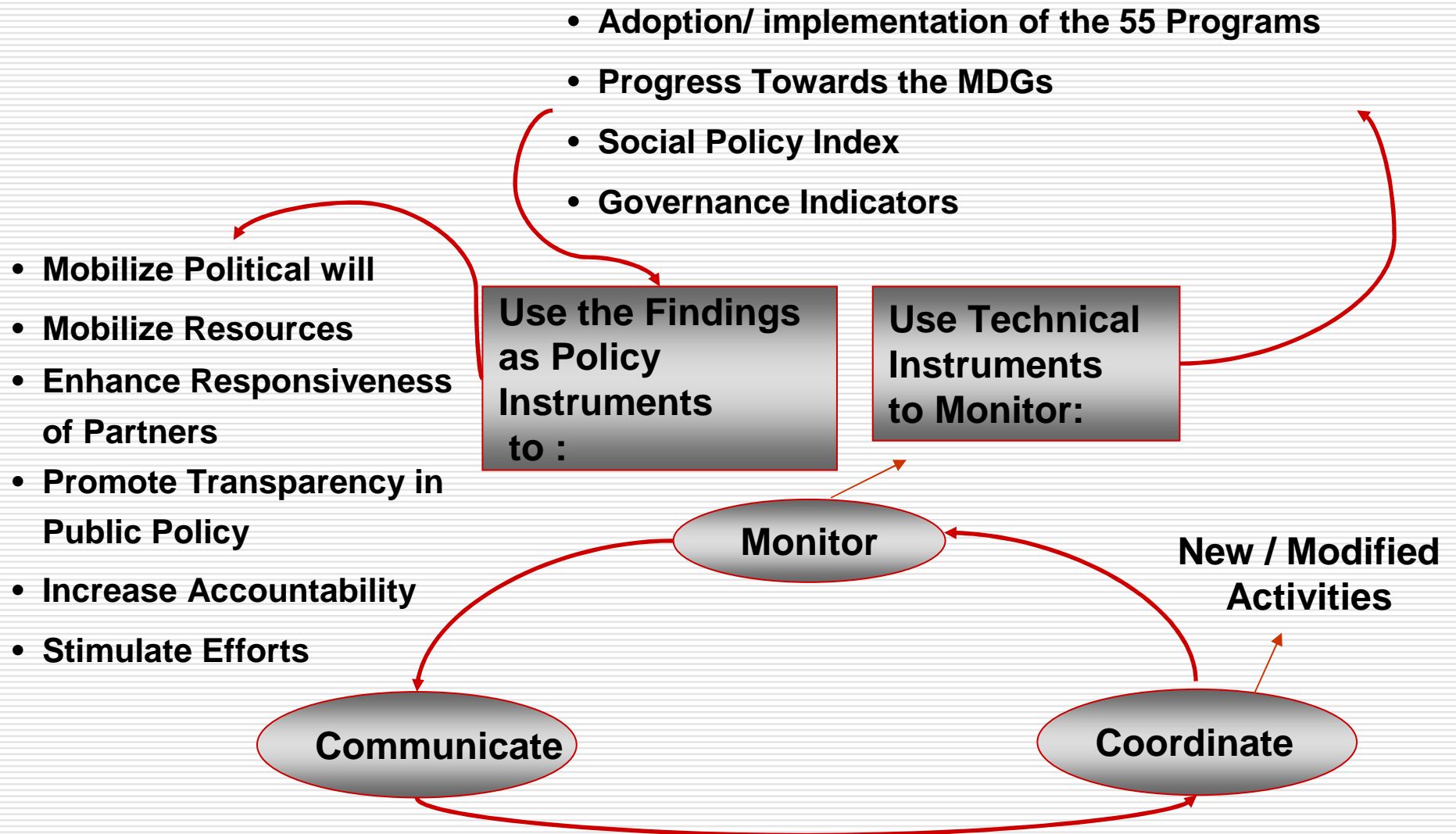
SCC Approach

1- Monitoring

2- Communication

3- Coordination

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MECHANISMS

- 1- Establishing a Ministerial Committee (5 Ministers)
that is headed by the Prime Minister**
- 2- Establishing an Advisory Board of non-governmental
public figures**
- 3- Ministerial Meetings**
- 4- Implementation of Work Plans Related to Strategic
Goals**

Work plans of strategic goals involve:

- Communication/Outreach Activities
- Capacity Building Activities
- Synthesizing evidence from the literature
(secondary data analysis)
- Quantitative/Qualitative Research/Public
Opinion Polls
- Measuring & assessing relevant governance
indicators

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Outcomes of the Work Plan of Strategic Objective 1:

“Building a national consensus around
the concept and implications of the Social
Contract”

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1. **Branding.** i.e. creating a national reference to the term "Social Contract", and associate it to the SCC logo, clearing all misconceptions related to the term (not a signed contract, and not a decade)
 2. **Identification of partners perceptions** concerning the minimum package of rights that should be made available to all citizens and the perceptions concerning the roles anticipated from each partner to achieve the new Social Contract

3. Identification of common grounds and points of differences amongst the four partners in relation to their perception to the state-citizen relationship

4. Building a positive and credible image of the SCC

5. Moderating a national dialogue between all 4 partners to negotiate and approve the set of rights and obligations of each partner

6. Advocate and lobby for the adoption and implementation of the 55 Social Contract programs

Outcomes of Work Plan of Strategic Objective 2:

“Re-building trust between the government
and the citizens”

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1. Increase confidence in government **capability** to undertake its roles and to support human development
 2. Increase satisfaction with government **performance** in terms of:
 - responsiveness to citizens needs/aspirations
 - responsiveness in the context of crises management

3. Build trust in government effectiveness in:

- fighting corruption
- protecting human rights
- emphasizing justice and the rule of law

Outcomes of Work Plan of Strategic Objective 3:

“Supporting efforts to **empower civil
society**”

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1. Emphasizing **the role of CSOs in implementing the Social Contract**
 2. Empowering CSOs to participate in the implementation of the Social Contract by **adjusting the governing legal framework and building CSOs capacities**

3. Building partnership between CSOs on the one hand and government- parliament - private sector - and the media on the other hand

4. bridging the gap between civil society organizations and citizens

Outcomes of Work Plan of Strategic Objective 4:

**“Monitoring the MDGs and poverty
reduction efforts using a developmental and a
rights-based approach”**

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1. Stimulating efforts and enhancing **capacity to monitor poverty**
 2. Stimulating efforts and enhancing **capacity to identify the needs of the poor**
 3. **Promoting the adoption and implementation** of the 55 programs in EHDR-2005

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4. Stimulating efforts and enhancing **capacity to evaluate the poverty reduction impact of Social Contract programs**
 5. Stimulating efforts and enhancing **capacity to mobilize adequate resources to achieve the MDGs**
 5. Stimulating efforts and enhancing **capacity to monitor the progress towards the MDGs**





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