

In cooperation with the World Customs Organization (WCO), Jordan Customs (JC) celebrates this year the International Anti-Corruption Day. This annual event was embraced after the adoption of the United Nations Convention against Corruption (UNCAC), with the aim to raise awareness of areas affected by corruption, and the importance of addressing this issue in order to realize the objectives of sustainable development.

As Jordan signed the United Nations Convention against Corruption in 2003 and ratified it in 2005, JC remains committed to its role in promoting integrity as a key public institution. To this end, JC joined the World Customs Organization's (WCO) Anti-Corruption and Integrity Promotion Program (A-CIP) at the end of 2019. Through this five-year commitment, Jordan Customs pledges to continue working to improve governance and integrity by implementing new anti-corruption measures in line with the internationally recognized WCO Revised Arusha Declaration (RAD) concerning good governance and Integrity in customs, which provides customs administrations with a practical approach for anti-corruption policies

Integrity and anti-corruption constitute one key value and a major area of concern within JC. This area is evidently highlighted in the Department's plans, policies, efforts and work procedures, so that it is managed and followed through performance indicators. Therefore, those familiar with JC's goals, programs and projects can surely realize our commitment to achieving the highest levels of transparency, integrity in its as part of its efforts to contribute to creating an attractive investment environment, promoting economic growth, safeguarding the community, protecting revenues and facilitating trade.

From this standpoint, JC decided this year to celebrate the International Anti-Corruption Day in solidarity with the efforts of the international community in building a foundation of trust, accountability and transparency. We believe that one way to achieve that will be by educating and empowering customs officers and citizens; and increasing their awareness, commitment and attentiveness in this important area to realize our institutional and national goals.

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