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MULTISTAKEHOLDER DIALOGUE ON IMPLEMENTING SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT The case of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

The Kingdom of Saudi Arabia implemented and is implementing numerous programs, projects and activities related to sustainable development in line with the following guidelines:

- 1. Putting emphasis on sustainable agriculture aiming at achieving the country's security, while preserving biodiversity and natural resources;
- 2. Adopting a new sustainable agricultural development strategy centered on saving water resources by applying modern water saving irrigation technologies, using unconventional water resources and growing low water requirement crops;
- 3. Developing good agricultural practices (GAP) for protected and organic agriculture;
- 4. Encouraging integrated pest management (IPM) approach and programs to reduce soil and water pollution;
- 5. Adopting and implementing national strategies and work plans to protect, develop and sustain forests, national parks and rangeland resources;
- 6. Creating and strengthening national and regional research centers designed to develop appropriate scientific and technological solutions to emerging issues during the development process in different sectors.

7. Capacity building of agricultural institutions through appropriate formal and informal educational programs;

8. Adopting and reinforcing participatory approaches in the development process and strengthening professional organizations, especially associations and cooperatives;

9. Implementing integrated rural development projects to improve living conditions and eradicate poverty in rural communities.