Towards an Arab-GAP Framework

“Lessons from related schemes”

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It can be summarized as follows
✓ clean soil
✓ clean water
✓ clean hands
✓ & clean surfaces

يمكننا تلخيصها على النحو التالي
✓ التربة النظيفة
✓ المياه النظيفة
✓ الأيدي النظيفة
✓ والسطح النظيفة
The Arab GAP system cannot guarantee the product is free from microbial contamination, but it should verifies the participant has taken proactive measures to reduce the risk of contamination by adhering to generally recognized industry best practices.
Phases to Built & Develop the System

1. Planning
2. Team Building
3. Design
4. Implementation
5. Evaluation
6. Update

• تخطيط
• تأسيس الفريق
• تصميم
• تطبيق
• تقييم
• تحديث

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Plan/Steps to Follow

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Select a **committee of specialists**, experts that has been trained on Global GAP principles and requirements taking into consideration the diversity of their knowledge to cover all the agriculture sectors such as:

Field crops / vegetables / fruits / livestock / poultry and birds / fisheries / beekeepers / etc.
Role of the Committee:

Prepare a list of requirements (Checklist) to get a certificate on GAP.
Prepare for a list of required documents.
Setup Guide contains various information about the mechanism to be followed by producer / farmer to get the certificate.
• Nominate or Subcontract a specialist experts as coordinator of the Committee to prepare the first draft of the guide and regulations in a maximum of six weeks.
• awarding of a graphic designer to design the logo and certificate and various documents related to the system.
• nominate members of the Committee representing the Countries.

• تلزيم أحد الخبراء المتخصصين للعمل كمنسق للجنة المذكورة ومن ضمن مهامه الإعداد للمسودة الأولى للدليل واللوائح (وذلك في مهلة أقصاها 6 أسابيع) تلزيم خبير لتصميم الشعار والشهادة ومختلف المستندات المتعلقة بالنظام.
• تسمية أعضاء اللجنة من قبل الدول.
The first meeting of the committee with the Coordinator to discuss the first draft of the documents and to vote on the logo (Week 7 or 8)
Circulation of the last draft adopted by the Committee to all relevant ministries to get their remarks & feedback (Week 9 to 12)
Collecting all the remarks and updating to issue a final draft (weeks 13 and 14)
Send the final draft to all concerned countries with an invitation for a meeting of agriculture ministers or their representatives to approve the final drafts and sign a protocol of cooperation between them for mutual recognition of certificates that will be issued by the concerned authorities in this regard. (Week 15 to 20)
Register the logo in all countries.

تسجيل الشعار في الدول المعنية وفي مختلف دول العالم.
Step N.5

1. organize ceremonies in each country to launch the system. (Week 21 to 26)
2. organize training courses for specialists who will implement the system. (Week 27 and up to 34)
3. Select sectorial farms to implement the system as pilot project:
   - Field crops / vegetables / fruits / livestock / chickens and birds / Fish / Beekeepers / etc.
4. Evaluation of the System and sending the required amendments to the coordinator. (Week 35-36)
1. Receipt of the comments and requests for amendment. (Week 37-40)
2. Meeting of the Committee to vote on approving the requested amendments. (Week 41-42)
3. Circulate the revised final version that is approved. (Week 43-44)
Each country can prepare the necessary laws to legalize the Arab GAP system and it is up to each country to choose if that certificate should be **mandatory or optional**.
Lessons from related schemes

الدروس المستخلصة من أنظمة شبیهة

Advice & Recommendations

النصائح والتوصیات
Selecting the Right Experts

Recommendation N.1

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Recommendation N.2
التوصية رقم 2

Funds needed for Implementation & sustainability
التمويل المطلوب لتأسيس النظام واستدامته

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Good Agricultural Practices (GAP) and Good Handling Practices (GHP) should be voluntary audits that verify that fruits and vegetables are produced, packed, handled, and stored as safely as possible to minimize risks of microbial food safety hazards.

توصية رقم 3

لا ذاتياء

يجب أن تكون بداية عمليات التدقيق طوعية للتحقق أن الفواكه والخضروات يتم إنتاجها وتعبئتها ومعالجتها وتخزينها بشكل سليم ويقلل المخاطر التي قد تهدد سلامة الأغذية وبالتالي سلامة الإنسان.
The Arab GAP system should be easy applicable, that’s why we should avoid unnecessary conditions to ensure food safety, which are considered as secondary such as the humanitarian: for example the existence of special places for agricultural workers and the presence of toilets within a certain distance etc.
Recommendation N.5
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Simple Requirements
مرحلات سهلة وبسيطة

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Recommendation N.6
التوصية رقم 6

Sustainability of the system
استدامة النظام

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Recommendation N.7
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Recommendation N.8

Include in University Curricula
Recommendation N. 9

Link it to INCENTIVES
Recommendation N.10

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Raising Awareness & Branding

TO WHOM?

WHICH TOOLS?

HOW MANY PHASES?
Recommendation N.10
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Recommendation N. 10

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Needs for Sustainability

Solution

Arab GAP

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Thank You
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