



Kingdom of Saudi Arabia  
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Faculty of Administration and Financial Sciences



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The Corporate Governance Center at King Khalid University (CGCKKU) was officially established in 2007 by the Higher Education Council and is hosted by the Department of Accounting at King Khalid University.

The center's mission is to produce and encourage top-quality academic research and to promote debate in both the academic and business communities on contemporary corporate governance issues.

Recognizing the multi-disciplinary nature of the field of corporate governance, the CGCKKU draws from the fields of financial economics, organizational behavior, and law. With its grounding in modern accounting and finance, the center emphasizes key questions facing the Saudi Joint Stock Companies. These key questions include how to efficiently restructure poorly performing corporations, and how to implement optimal incentive structures at the level of both top management and the board.

Activities at the center are generally aimed at top-level managers, current and prospective board members, active investors and their advisors, financial market regulators, as well as the academic community.



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## Objectives of the Center

The Center endeavors to achieve the following fundamental objectives:

1. Conducting research studies in corporate governance practices with a view to identifying and replicating good practices for enhanced corporate performance;
2. Facilitating the development and implementation of appropriate educational, training and development programs aimed at enhancing the performance of corporate leaders and policy makers in all sectors of the economy;
3. Providing an institutional framework for the evaluation, monitoring and recognition of corporate governance practices in corporations and institutions in Saudi Arabia;
4. Co-operating and co-ordinating with other organizations with similar aims and objectives within and outside Saudi Arabia to advance the cause of good corporate governance.
5. Helping Saudi Corporations and Public Organizations to effectively and efficiently implement corporate governance.
6. Establishing a specialized information center for corporate governance, which includes information of corporations in Saudi Arabia and its financial reports.
7. Publishing periodicals and journals in the field of corporate governance.
8. Developing a Saudi index for corporate governance to measure the degree of implementation and compliance with governance principles in Saudi corporations.

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## The Structure of the Center

1. The Center's Board of Trustees
  - 1.1. The Council is chaired by the Rector of King Khalid University, which includes in its membership:
    - 1.1.1. Vice-Rector of King Khalid University (as a Vice President).
    - 1.1.2. Dean of Administration and Financial Sciences College (as a member).
    - 1.1.3. Chairman of Accounting Department- (member).
    - 1.1.4. A representative of the Chamber of Commerce – (member).
    - 1.1.5. A representative of Saudi Arabian Stock Market – (member).
    - 1.1.6. A representative of Saudi Organizations for Certified Public Accountants (SOCPA) – (member).
    - 1.1.7. A representative of the Saudi Corporations – (member).
    - 1.1.8. A representative of the Trading Ministry – (member).
  - 1.2. The period of membership in the Board of Trustees is four years, capable of being renewed for another one period only.

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- 1.3. The Board of Trustees is to undertake the following authorities and responsibilities:
  - 1.3.1. Identifying the general policies of the Center, and following up its implementation.
  - 1.3.2. Approving the annual plan of the Center and its strategic projects.
  - 1.3.3. Establishing the fundamentals of quality controls in the Center.
  - 1.3.4. Determining the fees that should be collected from the Center's members.
  - 1.3.5. Seeking financial resources to support the Center.
  - 1.3.6. Accepting gifts, grants, fellowships, and donations.
  - 1.3.7. Approving the annual budget of the Center.
  - 1.3.8. Determining the fees of the membership and setting the rules and procedures for the Center's membership of individuals, corporations, and organizations.



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## **Executive Administrative Structure**

### **2. Executive Administrative Structure**

#### **2.1. Center Manager**

The Center should have a full-time manager, with the following requirements:

1. Ph.D in Accounting.
2. Proficiency in English

The Manager's responsibilities include the following

1. Management of the center
2. Supervising the implementation of all objectives as well as the strategic plans laid down by the Board of Trustees.

#### **2.2. Assistant- Manager**

The Assistant- Manager helps the manager of the Center in supervising the scientific research duties, and reporting about the extent to which corporations comply with the governance principles.



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## **The main duties of the Assistant- Manager include:**

1. Studying the current situation of corporations to identify the main problems facing the implementation of the governance.
2. Performing research studies pertaining to corporate governance.
3. Following up the scientific research, periodicals, journals and bulletins specialized in governance.
4. Keeping track of the most recent trends in the area of corporate governance.

## Board of Trustees

