

الهيئة العامة للإحصاء
General Authority for Statistics



أكاديمية الإحصاء

“Statistics Academy regulation”



Article One:

The following terms and expressions, wherever mentioned in this regulation, shall have the meanings indicated in front of each of them, unless otherwise required by the context:

Kingdom	Kingdom of Saudi Arabia
Authority	General Authority for Statistics
Law	Authority Law
Board	Authority's Board of Director
Academy	Statistics Academy
Regulation	Academy regulation
Chairman	Authority Chairman
Director General	Authority Director General
Academy affiliates	The employees of the Academy who are recruited and contracted to work for it, including full-time and part-time advisors and others who work directly for the Academy.
Government entities	Ministries, agencies, institutions and public entities, including state-owned companies.
Private entities	All companies including state-owned companies, private individual enterprises, NGOs, and international organizations.
Data	Figures and descriptive characteristics related to statistical or other areas in relation to community conditions and activities, which may be individual data or an individual dataset
Information	Data processed by tabulation, analysis, summarization or any other processing to become meaningful in the statistical fields
Indicators	Data or information prepared in terms of indications by time or spatial equivalents or any of its sources, usually calculated according to mathematical equations
Statistics	Data, information and indicators collected on the conditions of the society and its activities using scientific methods, and are subject to tabulation and analysis in order to come up with outcomes and decisions according to specific alternatives



Statistical work	Any study, research, survey, questionnaire or any work related to statistical fields whether conducted wholly or partially.
Surveys	The process of collecting data from its sources, whether according to the comprehensive listing method or according to the methods of selecting statistical samples
Statistical services	Detailed work related to statistical work, including statistical consultations on the design of surveys, research or studies, sampling, analysis and interpretation of results, etc.
Consulting services	Providing technical consultancy services in the field of statistics to public and private entities
Training services	Provide training services implemented by the Academy itself or through its partners.
Regulatory services for the statistical work	Regulations, decisions and circulars that include regulatory controls for the practice of statistical work, including licenses, pricing, etc.
Statistical documents	Maps, charts, records, manuals, methodologies, sample lists, etc. used in statistical work
Main equipment	Includes buildings, furniture, equipment, computers, accessories, telephones, communication lines and vehicles.
Academy representatives	Persons who are not affiliated with the Academy but their services is requested by Academy to carry out surveys or otherwise.
Customers	Beneficiaries of services and products offered by the Academy from government and private entities .

Article Two:

The Authority provides its statistical services and products in a commercial manner through the Academy directly or through its qualified partners.

Article three : (Academy objectives)

Subject to the present regulations, the Academy aims to regulate the statistical services and products provided by the Authority for a fee through the Academy, in order to support national development, by identifying the types of statistical services and products provided, and the segments of customers for those services and the mechanism of pricing them. By:

1. Developing products that support decision making in the public and private sectors.
2. Improving the quality of products in the statistical sector
3. Optimal use of the data available to the Authority.
4. Building national capabilities and nationalizing the sector

Article four: (Academy reference)

This Academy operates under the Authority

Article five:

The Academy tasks shall be as stipulated in the Board of Directors Resolution No. (19849/213/37) dated 28/12/1437 AH. The scope of its work shall be as follows:

- 1) Working as a consulting house and advising clients in the field of statistics.
- 2) Improving the Authority's revenues to ensure development, growth and sustainability.
- 3) Supporting the implementation of statistical research and studies specialized in the fields of the Authority.
- 4) Providing and marketing the services available from the Authority such as conducting surveys, reports and statistical data to other entities on a commercial scale.
- 5) Provide specialized training programs and certified professional certificates in the field of statistics through the Academy or through partners in a commercial manner.
- 6) Providing technical and financial offers to customers, including the following:
 - أ- The type of product and statistical service required, the required roles of the Authority and the partner.
 - ب- The possibility to provide the product and statistical service within the Authority's work and functions.
 - ت- The availability of the product or service to the partners and the quality level in accordance with the partner's capabilities.

- 7) Proposing appropriate domestic or international partners to provide the statistical product or service that the Academy wants to offer through a partner, and preparing a draft partnership agreement that includes the following:
 - أ- The scale and importance of projects and programs to which partners contribute as part of a mutual partnership with the Authority, the added value that contributes to the work and results of the Academy, and the support of the partner in efforts for development and knowledge sharing
 - ب- Partner's alignment with the operations and provided services and its commitment to service and quality requirements in line with the agreements and memoranda of understanding signed with the Authority.
- 8) Proposing the terms, requirements and pricing of statistical products and services and approving them in accordance with the statutory procedures.
- 9) Issuing the necessary licenses to ensure the quality of statistical work in the Kingdom according to approved procedures.
- 10) Coordinating with the relevant agencies or departments in or outside the Authority to obtain statistical data related to the provision of statistical data services, and to determine who will provide the service to customers, in accordance with policies approved by the Board of Directors.
- 11) Creating and developing knowledge platforms, conferences and events to activate the Academy's products and services.
- 12) Providing channels for communication with the customers to ensure the ease and speed of communication and fulfillment of their requests.
- 13) Reviewing the documents submitted by the partner and matching them with the documents required for the qualification process, and verifying the competence of the partner's employees and their financial and executive capabilities.
- 14) Utilizing the latest technical means in providing statistical products and services.

Article six:

The Authority provides its statistical services and products to customer segments as follows:

- 1) Government entities related to statistical products and services:

- أ- Those that fall outside the jurisdiction of the Authority according to its organization and the decisions of its Board of Directors.
 - ب- Can't be covered by the Authority's annual budget.
- 2) Private facilities.
 - 3) Regional and international organizations
 - 4) Researchers and academic individuals

Article seven:

The Authority provides its products and services through the Academy in a commercial manner to its clients as follows:

Product or service	Description	Target segment
Providing detailed, value added statistical data and services in a commercial manner	the detailed, value-added data and statistics that the Authority concluded through the Academy, based on preliminary data and statistics.	All customers except government entities.
Statistical consulting services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Reviewing or designing a plan to implement statistical work ● Reviewing or preparing parts of statistical work (such as: methodology development, sample design, sample withdrawal, design or review of a form, data analysis or similar work). ● Implementing statistical work or any part thereof. ● Preparing or reviewing a study or report, etc. 	All customers
Statistical training services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Conducting training programs to build the statistical knowledge. ● Developing educational material on statistical topics. ● Preparing Statistical training portfolios and granting specialized, recognized certifications. 	All customers

Regulatory services for practicing statistical work.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Granting licenses for data, information and indicator dissemination institutions using modern technologies. ● Granting licenses to private entities practicing statistical work 	Private entities
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Granting licenses to individuals practicing statistical work 	Individuals

Article eight:

The Authority shall provide membership to its customers who wish to obtain statistical products and services on an ongoing basis. Such membership shall have special privileges specified by a document prepared by the Chairman.

Article nine:

In pricing its statistical products and services, the Authority relies on a “target cost” approach that achieves the optimum price to cover fixed and variable core production costs, in a manner that does not conflict with the role of economic development and research in Saudi Arabia.

Article ten:

The Academy reports to the Authority Chairman who shall be the General Supervisor, and shall take all necessary decisions to achieve its objectives within the limits of his competence and the provisions of the organization and the appointment of the Director General.

Article Eleven:

The Authority Chairman shall have authorities that include but are not limited to :

- 1) approving the strategy of providing statistical products and services on a commercial scale.
- 2) approving policies and mechanisms for pricing statistical products and services.
- 3) Signing and approving all contracts and partnerships necessary to provide statistical products and services.

- 4) Signing and approving contracting with full-time and part-time consultants and human resources necessary to implement approved projects.
- 5) Approving overall total costs of research, studies, consultations, projects and contracts for statistical products and services.
- 6) Approving the permanent and temporary committees of the Authority's employees or others to review topics referred to them concerning the Academy's activities in commercially providing its services.
- 7) Approving the organization of conferences, seminars, meetings and workshops that enhance the role and participation of the Academy.
- 8) Approving the organizational structure of the Academy and its strategy for statistical work.
- 9) Forming an advisory board in the Academy to provide technical advice on the products and services offered by the Academy and the development thereof.

Article twelve:

The Academy shall have a Director General appointed by the Chairman. He shall manage its executive affairs within the limits of these regulations and the financial and administrative regulations of the Authority. He specifically may:

- 1) Supervise the activities, work and employees of the Academy and its departments and centers.
- 2) Propose general policies, programs and plans related to the activities of the Academy and submit them to the Chairman for approval.
- 3) Approve hiring staff and consultants from inside or outside to support the work of the Academy.
- 4) Coordinate with the concerned departments of the Authority to implement statistical products and services.
- 5) Propose an executive mechanism for the Statistical Licensing Regulation and its monitoring, and submit it to the Chairman
- 6) Propose the organizational structure of the Academy and the policies, procedures and executive regulations necessary for the Academy's activities, and submit it to the Chairman for approval.

- 7) Representing the Academy in other institutions, and he may delegate others in his absence, where such representation shall be in accordance with the approved regulatory procedures.
- 8) Propose cooperation agreements with partners to provide statistical products and services, and submit them to the Chairman for approval.
- 9) Submit a semi-annual report on the progress of the Academy and other aspects to the Chairman.
- 10) Submit technical and financial proposals of statistical products and services to the Chairman for approval.
- 11) Any task assigned or commissioned by the chairman
- 12) Submit annual performance reports on the Academy's activities to the Chairman for approval.

Article thirteen: (seeking the assistance of consultants and experts)

The Director-General may, with the approval of the Chairman, seek the assistance of consultants and experts other than those of the authority in order to accomplish the tasks assigned to the Academy.

Article fourteen: (delegation of authorities)

In order to implement the provisions of the present regulations, the Chairman may delegate some of his authorities to the Director General.

Article fifteen: (Financial resources)

1- The Academy contributes to the development of the financial resources of the Authority by providing statistical products and services in a commercial manner as follows:

- A) revenues of services and work executed for customers.
- B) sponsorship revenue for academic activities or events with partners.
- C) Revenues from licensing or fines resulting from the violation of their provisions.
- D) revenues from all types of membership
- E) any other financial resources approved by the board

2- In preparing its accounts and records, The Academy shall apply the regulations, instructions, accounting principles applicable by the Authority.

Article sixteen:

All revenues resulting from the provision of statistical products and services, as stipulated in the present Regulations, shall be deposited in the Authority's accounts until the Ministry of Finance establishes a mechanism and a timetable for completing the implementation of the provisions of the Royal Decree No. 55685 dated 30/11/1438 AH. Disbursement shall be subject to the provisions of Article (6) of the law, as well as the procedures of the State Revenues Law and its executive regulations, the financial regulations of the Authority and the instructions of relevant authorities.

Article seventeen:

The annual bonuses recommended by the Director General and approved by the Chairman, in accordance with the State Revenues Law, the Executive Regulation and the instructions of the Ministry of Finance in this regard, shall be paid to the Authority and Academy employees contributing to the generation of the Authority's revenues.

Article eighteen:

The Director General shall be responsible for the daily affairs of the Academy through the implementation of the provisions of this regulation, as well as all relevant regulations, resolutions and circulars. The Academy staff shall also work in their respective capacities to assist the Director General in implementing the provisions of these Regulations.

Article nineteen:

For all matters not listed in these Regulations, the relevant regulations, policies, decisions and circulars approved by the Authority shall apply.

Article twenty:

The Board shall have the authority to amend the provisions of these Regulations as submitted by the Chairman.

Article twenty one:

These Regulations shall come into force as of the date of their approval by the Board.

Data approval

General Authority for Statistics Chairman