

Beyond Compliance: Driving Better Outcomes Through Early Engagement



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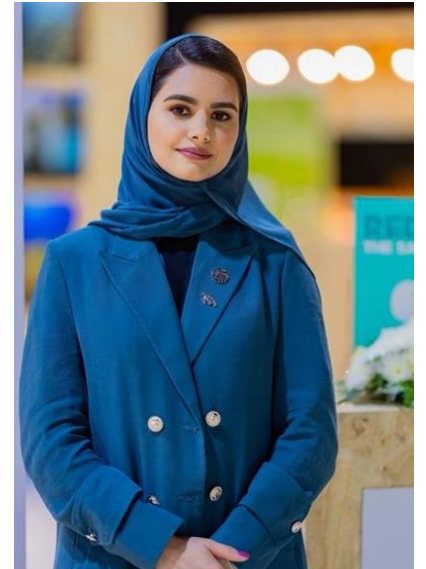
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The IAIA26 Challenges Statement



Trust



Misinformation



**Communicating
Complex Science**

Early Engagement As a Mechanism



**Early
Engagement**



**Shared Problem
Definition**



**Decision-related
Studies**



Fewer Gaps



**Fewer Late
Objections**

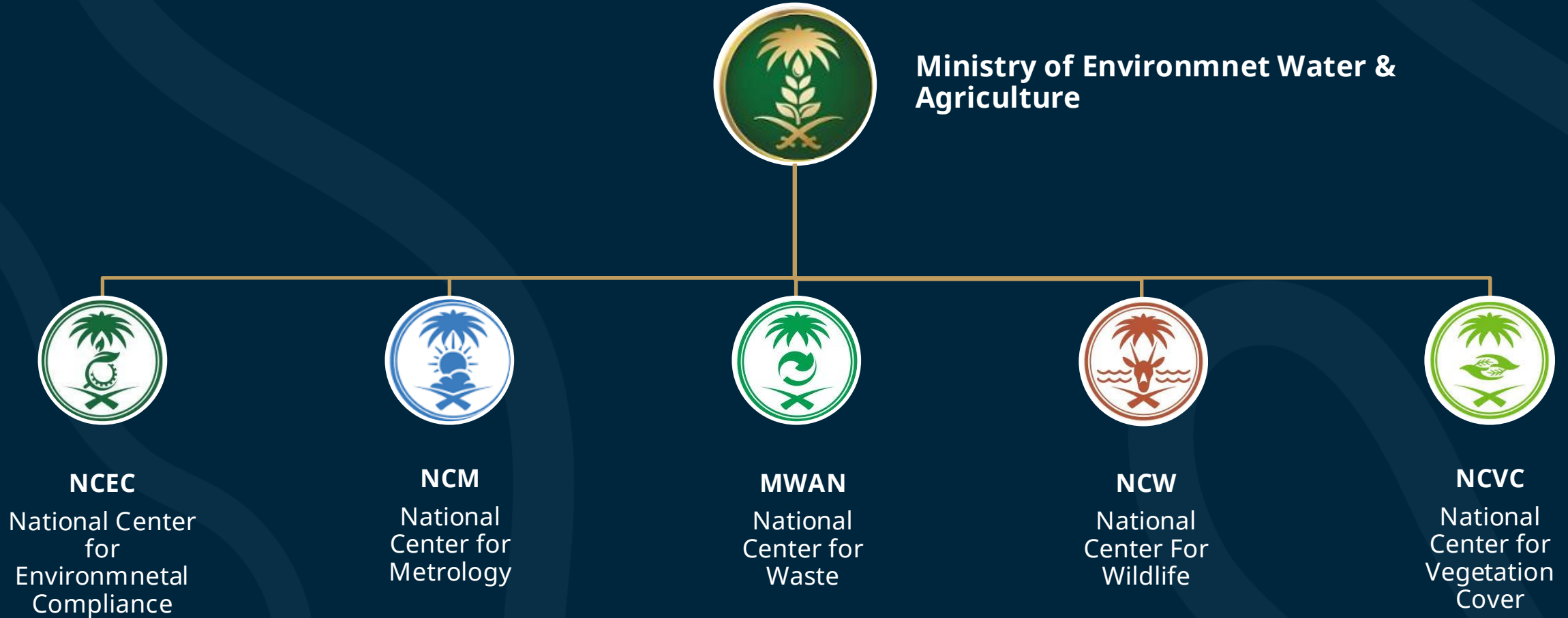


**Defensible
Approvals**



Trust

Regulators Overview in Saudi Arabia



Early Engagement Efforts



**Sooty Falcons Conservation
Program**



Reverse Osmosis



Mangrove

Why Mangroves?



Why Mangroves Are The Perfect 'Stress Test'?



High Ecological Value



High Risk



What 'Feasibility' Looks Like in Practice

EIA Constraints & Risks



Hydrology



Pollution



Grazing

What Changed Because Engagement Started Early

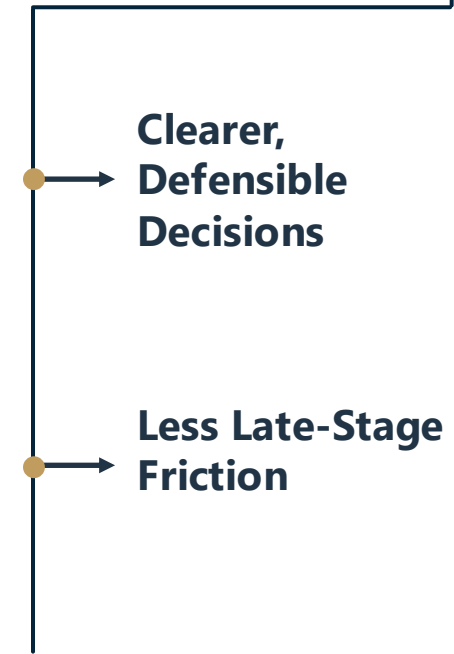
Before Early Engagement



With Early Engagement



Outcome



Early Engagement Supports Efficiency Targets Without Weakening Science

Efficient ESIA



**Fewer Iteration,
Not Less Science**

Trust & Communication Outcomes

Trust outcomes



**Transparency through
early regulator
involvement**



**Clearer narratives to
the public**



**Less space for
misinformation gaps**

Transferable Lesson

**Structure Early
Engagement
within ESIA**

**Focus on High-
risk ESIA
Components**

**Communicate
Uncertainty
Transparently**



**Early engagement is not a 'soft add-on' —
it's a governance strategy for defensible,
trusted approvals**



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Let's continue the conversation!

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