

Sectoral Corruption Risk Management (SCRM)

Regional Project on Anti-Corruption and Integrity In the Arab Countries (ACIAC)



Anticorrpution approaches and interventions focused mainly on ...

... broad governance transformations and public sector effectiveness

... punitive post event detection and criminal law enforcement

... awareness as a mode of prevention

... overarching national level strategies

Anticorruption approaches and interventions have been evolving to ...

... tackle corruption head-on while using anticorruption as an entry point for governance transformations

... add extra focus on prevention

... address vulnerability to corruption & institutional prevention

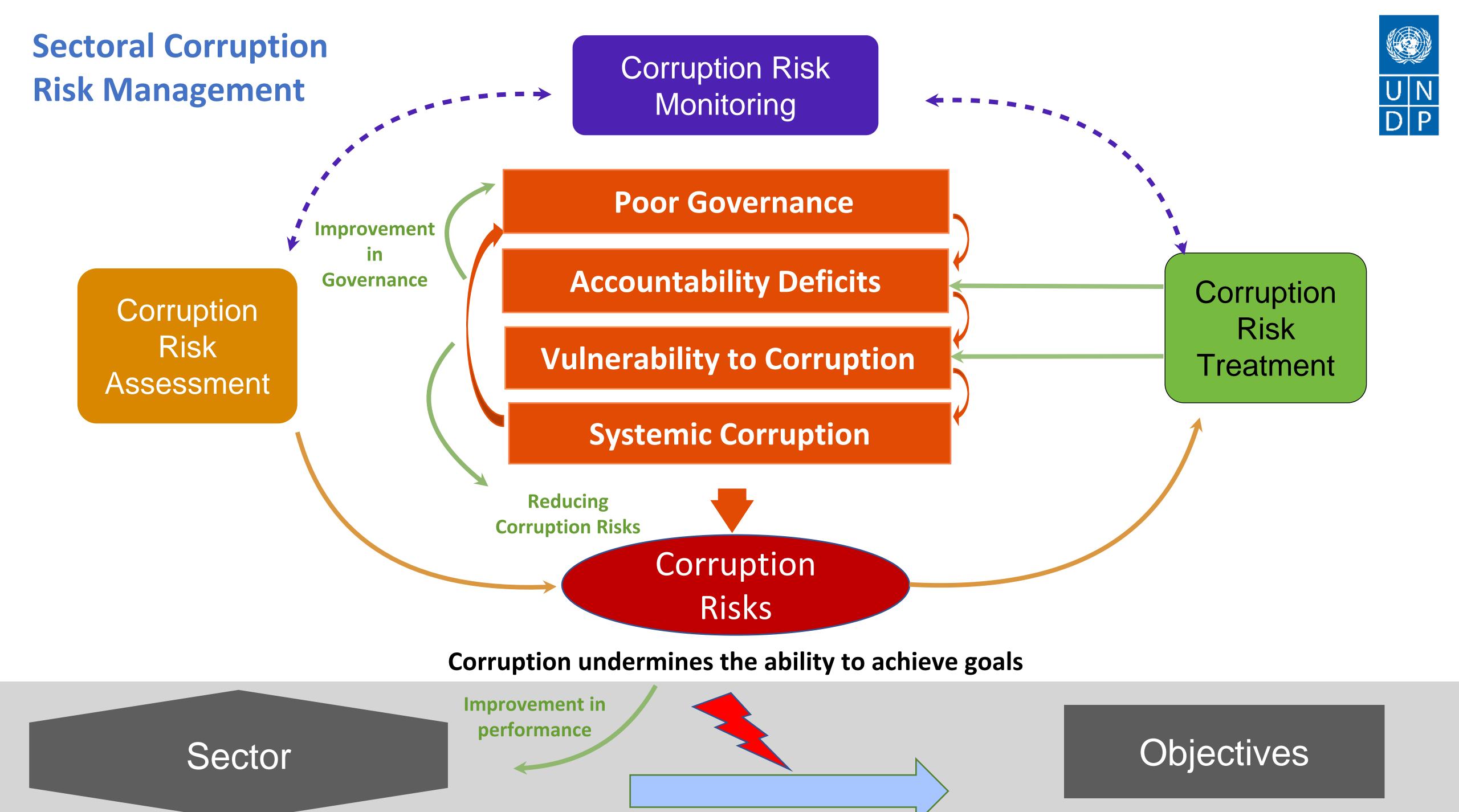
... support developing specific strategies at sectoral level

Increasing demand for mechanisms, approaches and tools for institutional prevention Preventing something before it happens is risk management





A new methodology for tackling corruption risks at the sectoral level





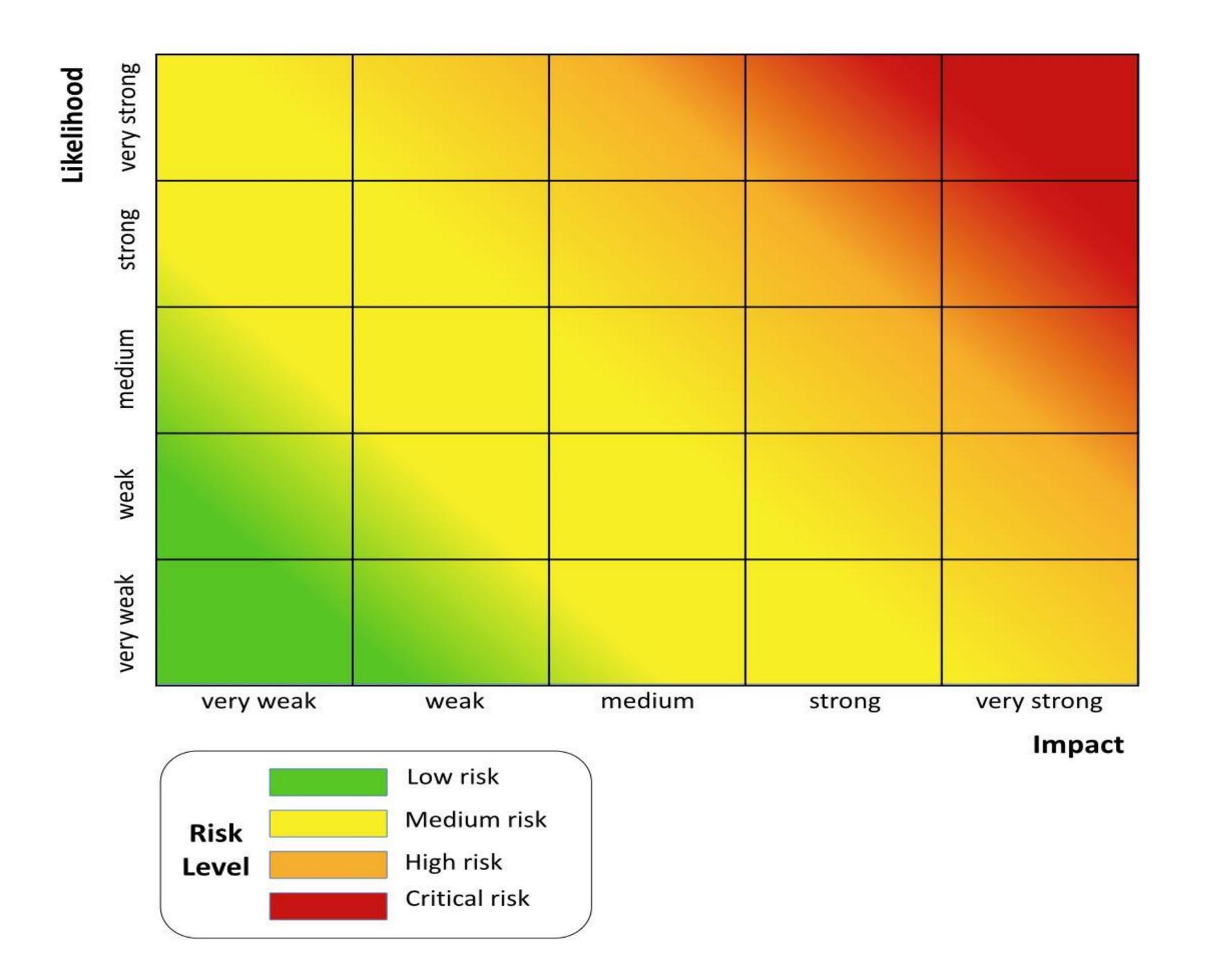
What are the risks?

Despite the various definitions, 'risk' essentially refers to the potential occurrence of an event during a specific action, which could affect the outcome of that action

The level of risk can be assessed by determining the possibility of an event occ urring. The "likelihood" and the magnitude or extent of its "impact".

It is possible to illustrate the outcome of the assessment through a risk heat map.

Consequently, strategies for managing risks can be established, involving tasks such as setting priorities and identifying potential interventions – an ongoing process







Definition of "corruption" from a risk management perspective



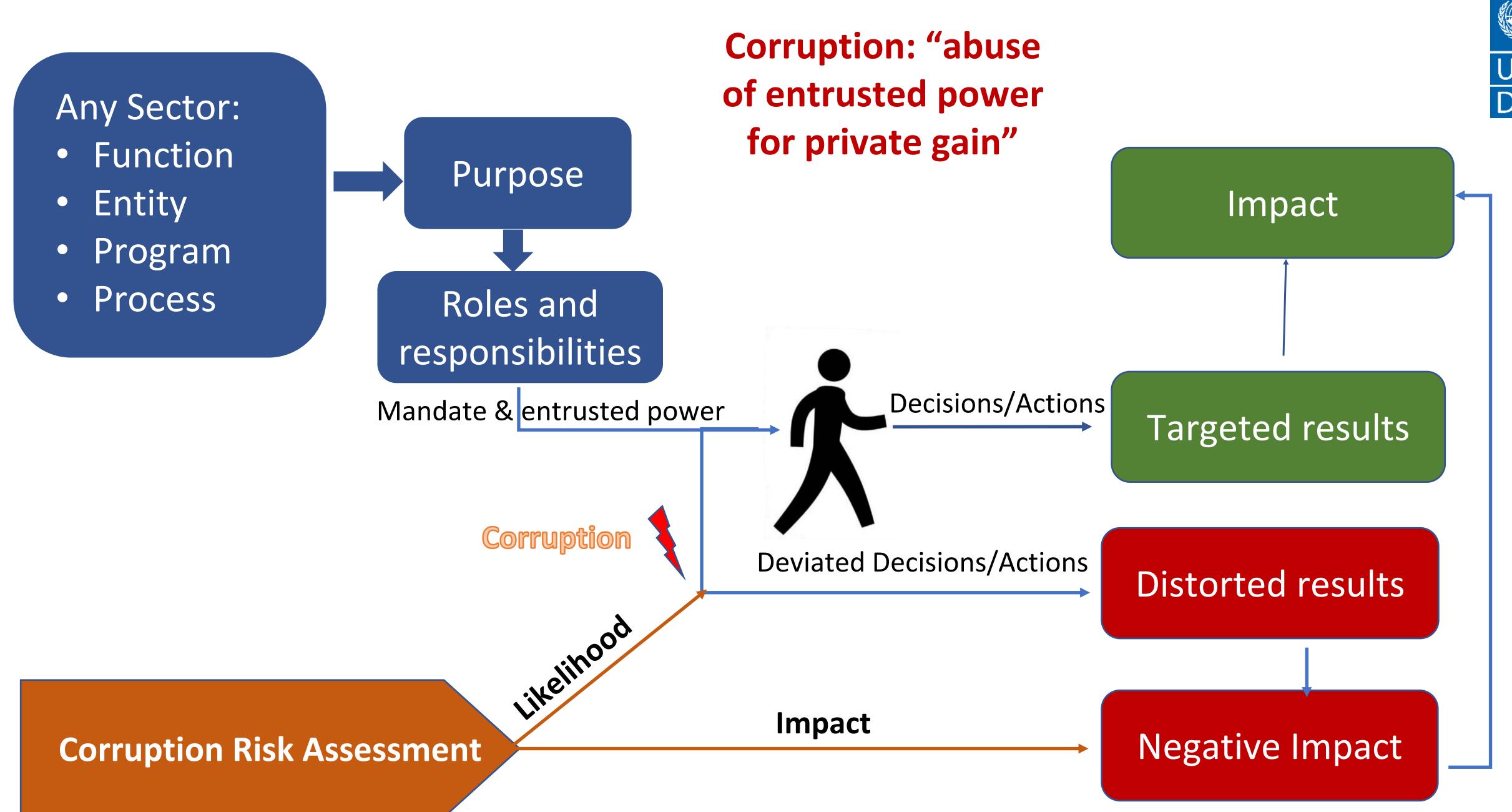
What is corruption?

Corruption is widely defined as the misuse of entrusted power to attain personal or private advantages. This implies that individuals in positions of authority, who have the power to make crucial decisions, are often the ones engaged in corrupt activities

The Decision

The decision occurs when the actor possessing the authority identifies an issue and initiates a selection process leading to outcomes associated with that issue.

Accordingly, the assessment of "corruption" risks cannot be done in the abstract but rather in relation to specific decision points. Which requires using these points as units of analysis to assess corruption risks.





Function

Entity

Program

Operation

Mapping Decision/Action Points



Follow the Beneficiary Follow the Product Follow the Money Follow the Document











Zoom-in/-out as needed













Impact analysis

Magnitude of the distorted outcomes of the deviation at the decision/action point combined with the frequency of occurrence at the decision point and/or across similar decision points

very weak

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medium

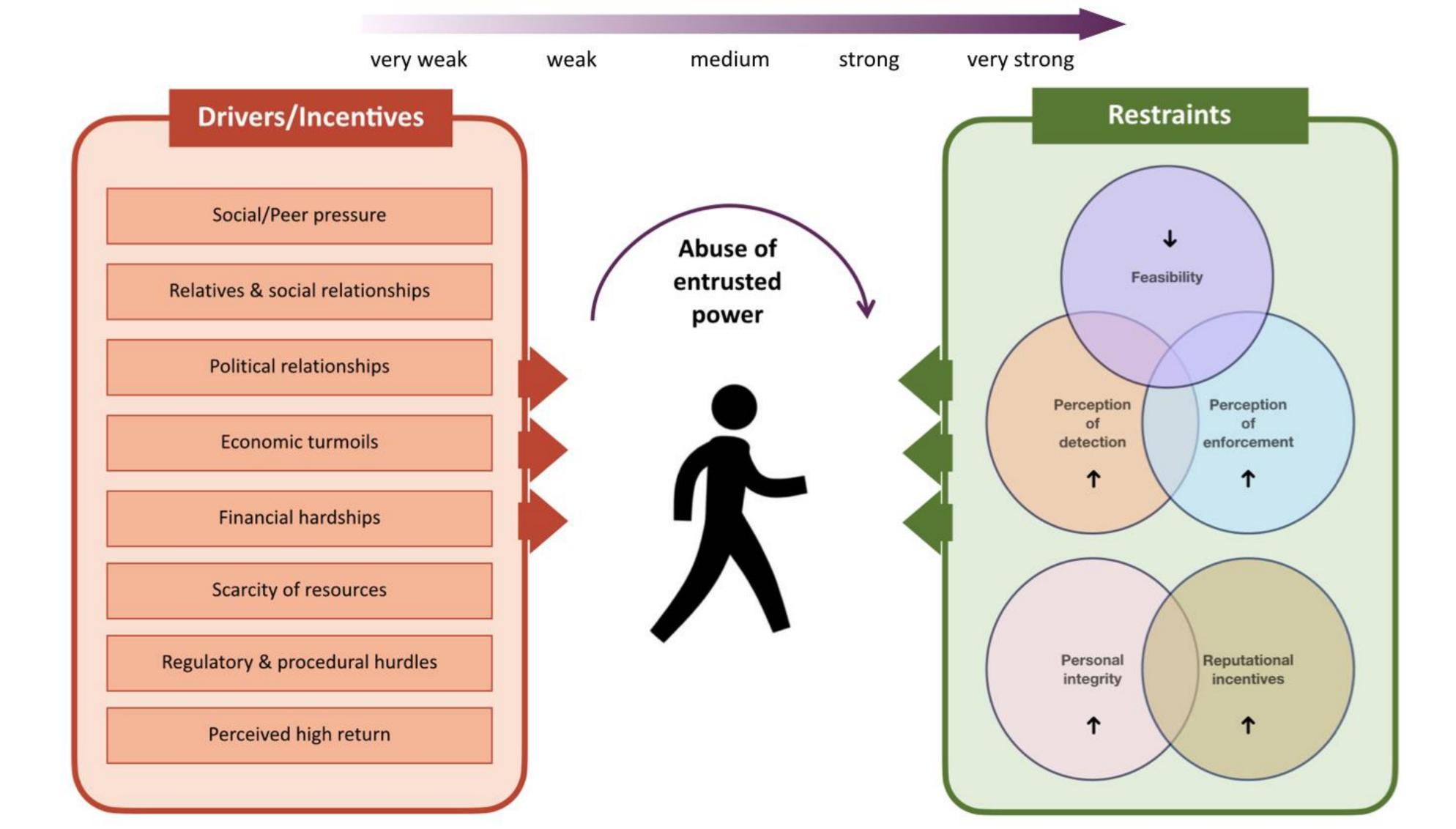
strong

very strong

Likelihood

The overall collective assessment of the two opposing forces: the drivers and the restraints





Perception of Perception of Perception of Personal Reputation enforcement feasibility detection integrity Will I be Will I be Is it punished? caught? justifiable? Is it socially Can I do accepted? it? Is it doable? Actual Feasibility

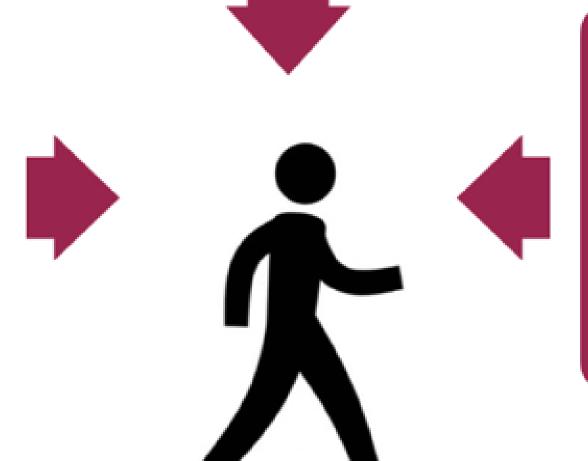
Influential bodies and stakeholders

By Owner/ Governing Body

- Board of directors oversight
- Internal control
- Internal audit
- Reporting lines
- Policies and procedures
- Segregation of duties
- Disclosure policies
- Conflict of interest management
- Automation/Information management
- IT governance
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By Independent Regulators

- Licensing bodies
- Quality assurance bodies
- Financial regulatory authorities
- Anticorruption agencies
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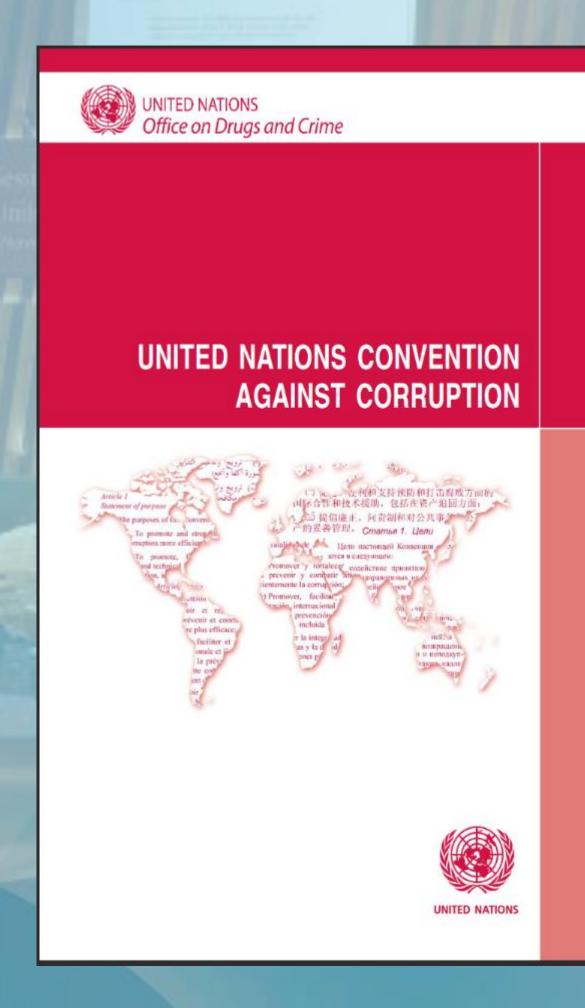
By Other Stakeholders

- CSOs
- Watchdogs
- Unions
- Media
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Content of the United Nations Convention against Corruption





- 1. General provisions (Article 1-4)
- 2. Preventive measures (Article 5-14)
- 3. Criminalization and law enforcement (Article 15-42)
- 4. International cooperation (Article 43-50)
- 5. Asset recovery (Article 51-59)
- 6. Technical assistance & information exchange (Article 60-62)
- 7. Mechanisms for implementation (Article 63-64)
- 8. Final provisions (Article 65-71)

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The main areas of the United Nations Convention against Corruption

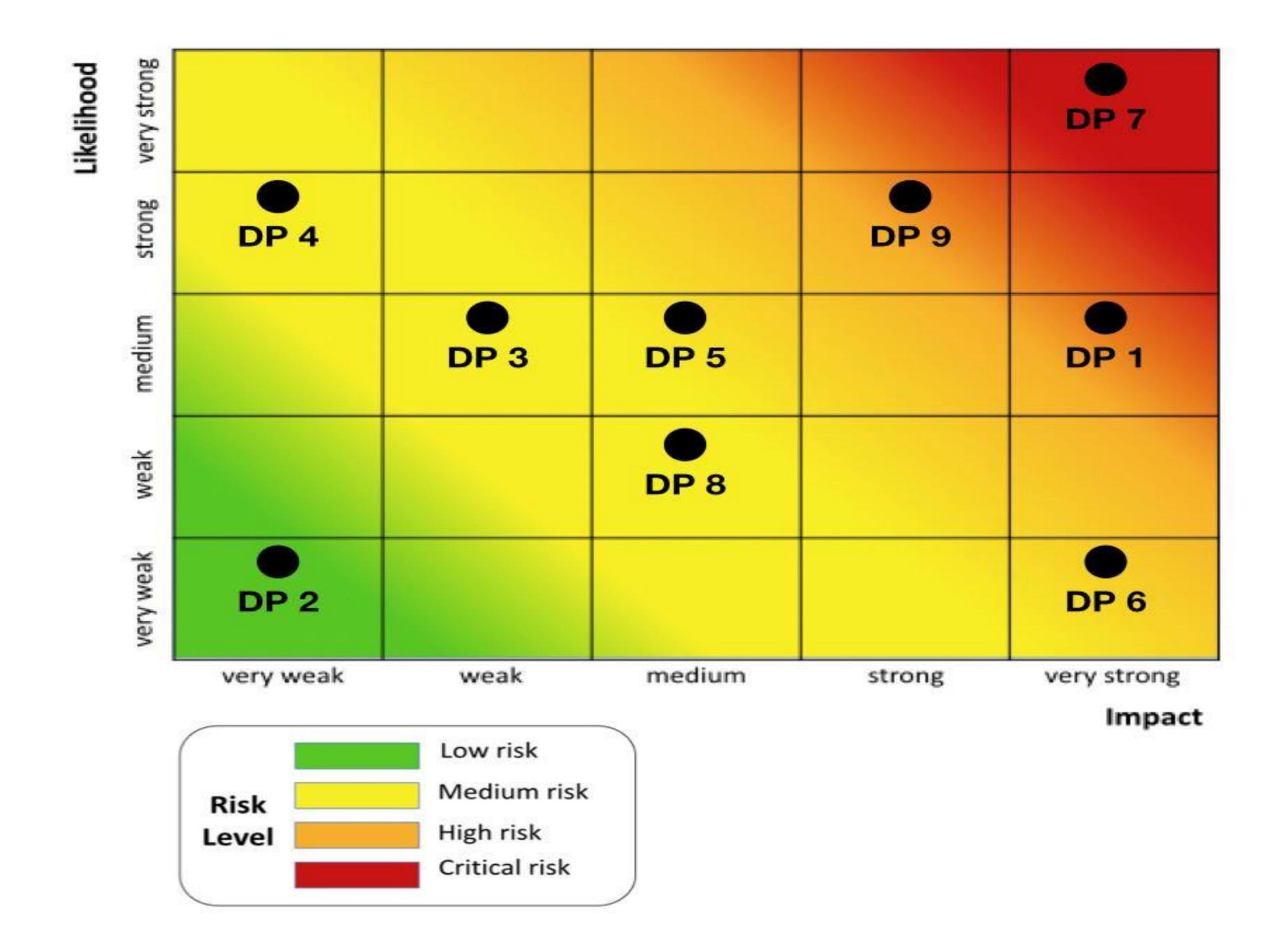
Preventive Measures

Anti-corruption policies and bodies in the fields of:

- ✓ Public employment
- ✓ Government procurement
- ✓ Public finance
- ✓ Private sector transparency
- ✓ Access to information
- ✓ Judicial integrity
- ✓ Community involvement and cooperation between concerned parties
- ✓ Prevention of money laundering

Criminalization & Law enforcement

- ✓ Bribery and embezzlement in the public and private sectors
- ✓ Abuse of office
- ✓ Trading in influence
- ✓ Illicit enrichment
- ✓ Acts related to corruption
- ✓ Money laundering
- ✓ Concealment
- ✓ Obstruction of justice proof
- ✓ Statute of limitations
- ✓ Domestic cooperation



Prioritization



Degree of Risk

Risk Assessment Dealing with Risks

Components of Success



- *Addressing corruption as an entry point to broader governance reforms.
- Following a preventive methodology based on institutional corruption risk management has proven to be more practical and easier to implement in light of the lack of resources.
- Using decision points as units of analysis, defined based on function or process mapping, rather than a general broad description of the health system.
- Using heat maps of corruption risks to determine priorities and interventions to reduce risks that allow for a balance between achieving both "quick wins" and "medium-term reforms."
- Using unified country experiences in the application process allows for the exchange of experiences across different countries despite differences in context.

Components of Success



- ❖ Following a participatory multi-stakeholder approach: creating a common platform and language between the health and anti-corruption communities.
- Building national capacity for evaluation, rather than using independent external experts, facilitates access to information, creates national ownership and ensures sustainability.
- Qualitative research methods for collecting and evaluating data, rather than quantitative research while ensuring objectivity and limiting bias are the best way to do this.
- Following a two-pronged strategy, direct application of priority areas while working in parallel to develop long-term strategic plans, which enhances political commitment and stimulates achieving the best results and their sustainability.
- Clear ethical leadership while working gradually to institutionalize national teams.

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