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## Session I. Section II. Role of the CPA (Competition Protection Agency) and its vision

The role of a competition authority is to enhance consumer welfare and the business environment by establishing a framework to guarantee the freedom of competition, maintain a competitive market structure, and prevent practices that could harm consumers and businesses.

The Competition Authority of Kuwait has adopted a vision entitled “Competitive Markets for a Competitive Economy”, with an aim to promote and protect fair competition in the market to contribute to economic growth in the State of Kuwait. In this session, we will be discussing the roadmap and mode of operation that the competition authority in Kuwait has set to fulfill its set vision and roles.

**Note: the duration of this session will be 30 minutes, with each panelist speaking for 5 minutes, followed by a 5-minute Q&A.**

### Topics of discussion:

- Describe the Structure of the CPA and highlight the mode of operation of its different departments.
- Describe the strategies adopted by the CPA to reinforce the competition culture in Kuwait
- Present CPA’s vision and its expected role in enhancing the business environment in Kuwait

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