Representatives of the Steering Committee
Transition Fund
Deauville Partnership

6 November 2013

Dear Representatives of the Steering Committee,

The Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) hereby endorses the project presented by the Government of Yemen on Reinforcing the Rule of Law: Developing the capacities of the judiciary in Yemen, and is ready to assist the Government of Yemen to carry it out and implement it in accordance with the Transition Fund’s Operations Manual and related procedures. This project is jointly endorsed by the OECD and the Arab Fund for Economic and Social Development, which are the designated Implementation Support Agencies for this project. Consistent with the terms of the Financial Procedure Agreement agreed with the Trustee, the OECD will not be responsible for the oversight and management of the funds used for the country-executed portion of this project.

This project will support the Yemen government in its endeavour to build an efficient, effective, open, transparency and accessible court system. It aims at promoting citizens’ access to judicial information and trust in the justice system and to foster accountability and integrity of the judges and state prosecutors.

This project has been prepared and finalised according to the OECD normal policies and procedures as set up by the OECD Governing Body. The appraisal of the project has been completed and cleared by the OECD management following internal consultation of the relevant OECD offices.

This endorsement letter is accompanied by the proper documentation reflecting the agreement by the OECD Governing Body to carry out such activities. The project proposal is hereby submitted to the Steering Committee with a request for approval.

Sincerely yours,

[Signature]

ANDREAS SCHAAAL

Cc: Ahmed Osman, Head of the Technical Department, Arab Fund for Economic and Social Development