

No statute is named “cooperation agreement”. In Saudi Arabia formation follows the Civil Transactions Law, Royal Decree No. M/191 of 29/11/1444H: offer and acceptance (Article 31), essential terms (Article 42), and a promise to contract (Article 43). [4][1] A paper that states the essential terms and does not say it is non-binding can be held to be a contract. UAE formation articles under Federal Decree-Law No. 25 of 2025 are under review. No article number is stated. [2][3] It does not create a company. [7][8]

🔗 **Civil Transactions Law (KSA):** <https://laws.boe.gov.sa/BoeLaws/Laws/LawDetails/655fdb42-8c96-422b-b8c4-b04f0095c94c/1>

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UAE: Federal Decree-Law No. 25 of 2025, in force 1 June 2026. Formation articles under review. No article number. [2]

Bahrain, Qatar, Kuwait, Oman: under review. No article number is stated.

Cooperation agreement

A limited joint-work contract between two parties in the GCC. It does not incorporate a company and it is not a partnership profit-share unless the paper records that. Replace every [placeholder].

1. Parties

This agreement is made on [date] between [Party A: name, ID/CR, address] and [Party B: name, ID/CR, address] (each a “Party”).

2. Purpose and scope

The Parties cooperate on [describe the work] in [territory]. Out of scope: [●]. “Cooperation in areas of mutual interest” is not enough.

3. Nature of the relationship

This agreement is a contractual arrangement for the work in clause 2. It does not incorporate a company and it does not share profits as partners unless clause 4 says so in writing.

4. Obligations of each Party

Party A shall: [tasks, deliverables, dates].

Party B shall: [tasks, deliverables, dates].

Neither Party signs for the other or binds it except under a separate written authorization.

5. Costs and confidentiality

Each Party pays its own costs, unless a different split is written here: [●].

Option. For [●] months after this agreement ends, each Party keeps confidential the non-public information the other shares for this work, and uses it only for that work.

6. Term

This agreement runs from [date] until [date or event]. Either Party may end it by written notice of [●] days, unless a deliverable already accepted must still be finished.

7. What this agreement is not

- (a) It does not incorporate a company. Use the [memorandum of association](#) or the [articles of association](#).
- (b) It does not share profits as partners. Use the [partnership agreement](#).
- (c) If the text is intent only, with no duty to perform, use the [memorandum of understanding](#).
- (d) Capital against an ownership percentage is the [investment agreement](#).

8. Governing law and signatures

Governed by the laws of [country]. A dispute goes to [the courts of ● / arbitration under ●]. Arabic and English, with Arabic prevailing in Saudi Arabia.

Party A: name [●] · capacity [●] · signature [●] · date [●]

Party B: name [●] · capacity [●] · signature [●] · date [●]

Saudi Arabia notes

Civil Transactions Law, Royal Decree No. M/191 of 29/11/1444H. [4][1]

Item	What the text states
No named statute	No article is headed “cooperation agreement”. The name of the paper does not decide formation.
Article 31	A contract comes into being when offer and acceptance join to produce a legal effect. [4]
Article 42	Agreement on the essential terms is enough unless the parties tied formation to a later agreement on the rest. [4]
Article 43	A promise to contract binds only if the essential terms and the period are set. [4]

UAE notes

Formation articles are under review. [2][3]

Item	What to do
The statute	The Civil Transactions Law is Federal Decree-Law No. 25 of 2025, in force 1 June 2026. [2]
Formation articles	Under review. No article number is stated.
A company	Federal Decree-Law No. 32 of 2021. This paper does not incorporate one. [8]

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