

# Saudi Arabia: The Basic Law of Governance

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<b>Abstract</b>	
<p>Migration-relevant provisions can be found in the following Articles of the Constitution:</p> <p>Art. 36 – “The State shall provide security for all citizens and residents on its territories. No-one may be confined, arrested or imprisoned without reference to the Law.”</p> <p>Art. 41 requires residents of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia to abide by its laws, observe the values of the Saudi community and respect Saudi traditions and feelings.</p> <p>Art. 42 allows for granting political asylum provided that it is in the public interest.</p> <p>Art. 43 stipulates that Councils held by the King and the Crown Prince is to be open for all citizens and anyone else who may have a complaint or grievance.</p> <p>Art. 47 – “All people, whether citizens or residents of the Kingdom, are entitled to file suit on an equal basis.”</p>	