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Conference announcement:

## **The German language in Jordan - new tasks require networking!**

### **Teacher training and vocational language teaching in the German-Jordanian context.**

**June 10th, 2024 | 9.00 – 17.30 (Jordan time; CEST +1)**

**Amman Chamber of Industry, Amman**

Location: <https://maps.app.goo.gl/iExM2WeacwQFJNKs7>

**Please register by May 25 through <https://www.daad.de/surveys/234643?lang=en>**

### **Concept and background**

The event is intended as a follow-up to the online conference "*The German Language in Jordan - Opportunities for the Labour Market?*", which was organized by the German Jordanian Society in September 2023. While this was primarily an introduction to the topic and a presentation of the relevant players and their offers, the focus will now be on networking.

The aim of the event is to better interlink the numerous existing offers and to foster cooperation between the players involved. In addition, coordination with representatives from education policy and the private sector will be facilitated. The results of the conferences "*Germany and Jordan - Building Bridges for Skilled Workers*" organized by the Goethe-Institut (May 2022) and "*German as a foreign language at universities in Jordan: curricula development and teaching practice*" organized by the DAAD (June 2022) will also be integrated into the event.

One thematic focus of the event will be on the qualification of teachers for the various levels and areas of the Jordanian education sector. In addition, employment-related aspects of teacher training and language teaching will be considered, both with regard to the German and the Jordanian labor market.

The event is aimed at individuals and institutions who took part in the DJG online conference mentioned above, as well as other stakeholders working in the field of "German in Jordan" and representatives of ministries, educational institutions and companies from Germany and Jordan.

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### Program

#### 9.00 Opening and Welcome

- Dr. Florian Reindel, Deputy head of mission, German Embassy Amman
- Representatives of the host institutions: DAAD, Goethe Institute, DJG, ACI

#### 9.30 Thematic introduction: What are the new tasks? To what extent do they require networking? | Jochen Pleines, DJG

→ Problem outline; current status and challenges; define objectives of the conference.

#### 10.00 Needs and expectations on the labor market (*employer perspective*) | facilitated by: Jochen Pleines, DJG

→ What language qualifications are needed and expected by potential employers in GER and JOR (in terms of form and content)? Where should the focus be in language training and, associated with this, in teacher training? What opportunities arise from this?

#### 11.00 Coffee break

#### 11.30 Experiences and recommendations from the perspective of students and graduates (*perspective: students and young employees*) | facilitated by: NN

→ Looking back, what role did the language and language training play in your studies and in your job search / everyday working life? What challenges were/are there and how can they be better addressed?

#### 12.30 Wrapping up morning sessions

→ Key findings summarized in brief

#### 12.45 Networking Lunch

#### 14.00 Needs-oriented language and teacher training (*perspective of teachers and teacher trainers*) | facilitated by: **Dr. Hebatallah Fathy, DAAD**

→ To what extent are the needs identified above already being taken into account? And more importantly: what can / must be done to take them even more into account? What synergies result from increased cooperation and interlinking of services?

#### 15.30 Coffee break

#### 16.00 Political and institutional framework conditions in the German Jordanian context (*perspective on education policy; German Jordanian agreements and initiatives in the context of skilled workers*) | facilitated by: NN

→ What language policy is pursued on the Jordanian side in the school/university sector? What role does it play in the context of skilled workers? What are the effects of current initiatives / agreements between JOR and GER? What are the challenges?

#### 17.00 Wrapping up and next steps

#### 17.30 End of the event

#### 19.30 Joint dinner at Sheen Restaurant

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This event is co-organized by DAAD Regional Office Amman, the German Jordanian Society, Goethe Institut Amman, and the Amman Chamber of Industry.

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