

Jordan and Germany in the Middle East

Dealing with Crises and Shaping the Future

Roundtable Discussion

Date: **Monday, 23 October 2023, at 4.30 pm**

Location: **Fairmont Hotel, Amman**

The Middle East conflict is currently going through another wave of violent escalation. This comes against the background of new dynamics in the Middle East, including recent rapprochements among several regional actors. At the same time, unresolved conflicts, like the ones related to Palestine or Syria, continue to prevent lasting stability. In addition, the global geopolitical landscape is changing with potential repercussions on both the Middle East and Europe. Considering these developments, continued and frank dialogue between Jordan and Germany is of special importance. Both countries share a history of seventy years of cooperation and have been trusted political partners. How can Amman and Berlin work together to de-escalate regional conflicts and shape a more peaceful future? How can both countries best exploit the potential of cooperation in fields of mutual interests, such as energy or skilled labor? How do Jordan and Germany define their position in the emerging new regional and global order and how could that affect their bilateral relations?

We would like to cordially invite you to a roundtable discussion on these issues, with the participation of experts and political representatives from both Jordan and Germany.

4.30 pm Registration and Welcome Coffee

5.00 pm Opening Remarks and Introductions

Dr. Edmund Ratka

Resident Representative, KAS Jordan Office

Dr. Canan Atilgan

Director of the Middle East and North Africa Department of KAS, Berlin

5.15 pm Survey Presentation – Jordanian Public Opinion on Germany

Mohammad Abu Dalhoum

Senior Researcher, NAMA Intelligence Solutions

5.30 pm Inputs and General Discussion

H.E. Dr. Mohammad Al-Momani

Member of the Jordanian Senate
former Jordanian Minister of Media & Information

Dr. Andreas Reinecke

Director of the German Orient Institute Berlin;
former German Ambassador & EU-Envoy for the Middle East Peace Process

19.00h Dinner at the Hotel