

EU-Jordan Higher Education cooperation day held in Amman

An EU-Jordan Higher Education cooperation day was jointly organised by the EU Delegation in Amman, the National Tempus Office and the University of Jordan to review various EU-funded education programmes. The event also discussed programme issues related to the selection process, results of past calls for proposals and details on procedures and guidelines for current and future calls for proposals.

A press release said the seminar, held at the University of Jordan on 15 December, gathered over 250 participants, including Jordanian higher education institutions, EU Delegation representatives, EU member state cooperation agencies and National Tempus office staff. Among the EU-funded programmes that took part were TEMPUS, Erasmus Mundus, Jean Monnet (on European studies) and FP7 (seventh framework programme for research).

A special exhibit was set up by six European countries (UK, Spain, Italy, Germany, France, and the Netherlands) to provide information on their Higher Education systems, institutions and opportunities for cooperation in the area of Higher Education.

At the opening of the event, EU Delegation Chargée d'Affaires, Irène Mingasson, noted that EU programmes bring Jordanians and Europeans together, and encourage higher education institutions and private and public sectors to work together. *"They also foster the interaction between the universities and Jordanian local communities as a way to improve the learning through practice in real situations."*

The European Union representative stressed that EU cooperation in the areas related to Human Resources Development is crucial, as human capital is key for the competitiveness and social development of Jordan. The recently acquired "advanced status" for Jordan and the new agreement on research and innovation open wider and new ways for deepening Euro-Jordanian ties and makes more funding available for initiatives that contribute to the well being and advancement of both sides. ([ENPI Info Centre](#))

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