Jordan

Business mission to Amman on the occasion of the visit of Mr. Nicolas Forissier, Minister Delegate for Foreign Trade and Attractiveness

18 - 19 November 2026

Dead Sea, Jordan

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Provisional Program

Wednesday 18 November 2026

10:30 am	**Delegation Gathering & Distribution of Meeting Materials** *Location: Hilton, Dead Sea* *Meeting room: Lazeez Hall, 4th floor*
11:00 am – 12:00 pm ***Confirmed***	**Meeting with IFC / World Bank Group** ▪ **Sumeet Thakur,** Director Infrastructure & Energy, Middle East and Central Asia ▪ **Mona Hassan**, Principal Investment Officer, IFC ▪ **Ali Reda Youssef**, Senior Investment Officer, IFC ▪ **Julie Carles**, Senior Investment Officer, IFC *Focus: Mobilizing private capital, de-risking investment and supporting bankable projects in Jordan, with a regional perspective on infrastructure, public-private partnerships, economic recovery and reconstruction* *Location: Hilton, Dead Sea* *Meeting room: Lazeez Hall, 4th floor*

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12:30 pm – 1:00 pm ***Confirmed***	**Minister's Meeting** ▪ **Yaarub Qudah,** Minister of Industry and Trade *Location: King Hussein Bin Talal Convention Centre* *Meeting room: Moata Hall*
1:00 pm – 1:45 pm	**Lunch Break** *Location: King Hussein Bin Talal Convention Centre*
2:00 pm – 2:30 pm ***Confirmed***	**Ministers' Meeting** ▪ **Dr. Tareq Abu Ghazaleh,** Minister of Investment ▪ **Zaher Al-Qatarneh,** Secretary General, Ministry of Investment *Location: King Hussein Bin Talal Convention Centre* *Meeting room: Moata Hall*
2:30 pm – 3:00 pm ***Confirmed***	**Minister's Meeting** ▪ **Eng. Sami Smeirat**, Minister of Digital Economy and Entrepreneurship *Location: King Hussein Bin Talal Convention Centre* *Meeting room: Moata Hall*
3:00 pm – 4:30 pm ***Confirmed***	**Ministers' Meeting : Sectorial Priorities & Opportunities** ▪ **Prof. Nidale Katamine,** Minister of Transport ▪ **Dr. Saleh A. Al-Kharabsheh**, Minister of Energy and Mineral Resources *Focus: Priority infrastructure projects and investment opportunities in industry, transport and logistics, energy transition, digital infrastructure and connectivity.* *Location: King Hussein Bin Talal Convention Centre* *Meeting room: Moata Hall*
5:00 pm – 6:30 pm	**Meeting with the Jordanian Banking Sector**

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Confirmed	▪ **Bassem Khalil Al-Salem,** Chairman, Association of Banks in Jordan & Chairman Capital Bank of Jordan ▪ **Sabih Al-Masri**, Chairman, Arab Bank *Focus: The role of Jordanian banks as regional financial players, their presence in Iraq and potential engagement in Syria, Lebanon and Palestine, and opportunities to finance trade, investment and reconstruction projects alongside French companies.* *Location: Hilton, Dead Sea* *Meeting room: Lazeez Hall, 4th floor*
7:30 pm – 9:30 pm	**Gala Dinner** *Location: Terrace Mariott*

Thursday 19 November 2026

8:00 am – 9:00 am ***To be confirmed***	**Kick-off meeting around** ▪ **Nicolas Forissier**, Minister delegate for Foreign Trade and Attractiveness ▪ **Franck Gellet**, Ambassador of France to Jordan *Location: Hilton, Dead Sea* *Meeting room: Lazeez Hall, 4th floor*
9:00 am – 9:30 am	**Registration at the Forum** *Location: King Hussein Bin Talal Convention Center, Dead Sea*

Participation in the Opening Ceremony of the Jordan-EU Investment Conference	
10:00 am – 11:00 am ***Confirmed***	**Opening Ceremony:** ▪ **His Majesty Abdullah II,** King of Jordan ▪ **Ursula von der Leyen,** President of the European Commission *Location: King Hussein Bin Talal Convention Centre*

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11:00 am – 11:15 am ***Confirmed***	**Opening Panel: Jordan-EU Strategic Partnership - Growth & Regional Resilience** ▪ **Tareq Abughazaleh,** Minister of Investment ▪ **Nicolas Forissier,** French Minister Delegate for Foreign Trade and Attractiveness ▪ **Thomas Steffen,** German Secretary of State for Economic Affairs and Energy ▪ **Thierry Déau,** Chairman and CEO, Meridiam ▪ **Mazen Darwaeh,** EVP & Deputy CEO, Hikma *Location: King Hussein Bin Talal Convention Centre*
11:30 – 12:30 ***Confirmed***	**Meeting with *Agence Française pour le Développement* (AFD) Group** ▪ **Anne-Roos Weil**, Deputy Head Eastern Europe, Middle East and Asia, AFD ▪ **Yves Guicquero,** Director, AFD Jordan Office ▪ **Emmanuelle Riedel Drouin**, Deputy CEO, Proparco ▪ **Sébastien Fleury**, Regional Director Mashreq and Pakistan, Proparco *Focus: AFD's regional priorities, development financing and opportunities for French companies in strategic sectors, including water, energy, infrastructure and sustainable development.* *Location: Hilton, Dead Sea* *Meeting room: Lazeez Hall, 4th floor*
1:00 – 2:00 pm	**Lunch Break**
2:00 pm – 3:00 pm ***Confirmed***	**Meeting with the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development** ▪ **Harry Boyd-Carpenter,** Managing Director, Sustainable Infrastructure Group, EBRD *Focus: Regional financing instruments, private sector investment and opportunities for French companies in Jordan, Syria, Lebanon,*

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	Iraq and Palestine, with a particular emphasis on infrastructure development and reconstruction. *Location: Hilton, Dead Sea* *Meeting room: Lazeez Hall, 4th floor*
4:00 pm – 5:00 pm ***Confirmed***	**Meeting with the Social Security Investment Fund (SSIF)** ▪ **M. Omar Malhas**, Chairman & Former minister of Finance *Focus: Jordan's investment environment, SSIF's investment strategy, priority sectors and potential partnerships with French investors and companies.* *Location: Hilton, Dead Sea* *Meeting room: Lazeez Hall, 4th floor*
5:00 pm – 6:00 pm ***To be confirmed***	**Meeting with the World Bank Group** ▪ **Ousmane Dione,** Regional Vice President, Middle East and North Africa (MENA), World Bank Group ▪ **Imad Fakhoury,** Regional Vice President, Middle East & Central Asia, IFC *Location: Hilton, Dead Sea* *Meeting room: Lazeez Hall, 4th floor*
6:45 pm – 7:45 pm	**Transfer from the Dead Sea to Amman** *Drop-off point : Résidence de France, Amman*
8:00 pm – 10:00 pm ***Confirmed***	**Cocktail reception hosted by** ▪ **Mr. Franck Gellet**, French Ambassador in Jordan *Drop-off point : Résidence de France, Amman*
10:00 pm	**Transfer back to the hotel** *Drop-off point: Grand Hyatt, Amman*

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