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Reforms Catalysts

Jordan Adopts the National Green Taxonomy to Advance Sustainable Finance

In a significant step toward advancing green finance in Jordan, the Jordan National Green Taxonomy was approved by the Council of Ministers on 1 February 2026, establishing a unified national reference framework for classifying green and sustainable economic activities.

Following the approval, the Central Bank of Jordan issued a circular to banks operating in the Kingdom and licensed finance companies, confirming the adoption of the taxonomy for classifying green projects and activities, as well as for green finance reporting and climate risk management.

The taxonomy aims to enhance transparency, improve comparability, and strengthen the alignment of the financial sector with Jordan's climate commitments and green growth objectives, while supporting the mobilization of sustainable investments.

This milestone was supported by the Ministry of Planning and International Cooperation (MoPIC), as a member of the National Taskforce responsible for developing the taxonomy, co-led

by the Central Bank of Jordan and the Ministry of Environment, with technical support from the World Bank. MoPIC also facilitated national consultations via the “Tawasal” platform to ensure broad stakeholder participation.

Launch of the First Site Management Plan Under a National Program for Jordan's Key Heritage Sites



The Department of Antiquities, in coordination with the Reform Secretariat at MoPIC, launched the Amman Citadel Site Management Plan on Thursday, February 12. This marks the first plan under a national program that will deliver six site management plans for some of Jordan's most significant archaeological sites. The initiative represents a strategic step toward strengthening sustainable site management and preserving one of Jordan's most prominent heritage landmarks, in alignment with the objectives of the Economic Modernization Vision to develop cultural



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tourism and enhance its contribution to economic growth.

The preparation of the plan was financed through the Jordan Growth MDTF, which is co-chaired by the World Bank and MoPIC, with support from the Governments of the Netherlands, Canada, Norway, Germany, and most recently Switzerland.

The plan aims to position the Amman Citadel as a national model for sustainable cultural tourism, contributing to economic growth, job creation, and community development, while ensuring the long-term preservation of the site and strengthening Jordan's position as a leading cultural destination in the region.

Mr. Bassem Al-Mahamid, Assistant Director General for Technical Affairs, stated:

"The Amman Citadel Site Management Plan represents a qualitative step toward establishing a national model for sustainable heritage management, balancing the preservation of historical values with enhancing the site's contribution to tourism and economic development, ensuring its sustainability for future generations."

Mr. Omar Fanek, the Director of the Reform Secretariat added:

"This initiative forms part of a broader support program provided to the Ministry of Tourism and Antiquities and relevant entities. Our efforts continue to focus on strengthening sector governance and improving legislative and regulatory frameworks within the tourism sector, reinforcing its competitiveness and contribution to economic growth and job creation."

Work is also underway to develop a comprehensive Environmental and Social Framework for the management of archaeological sites, ensuring alignment with international environmental and social standards and supporting the long-term sustainability of Jordan's heritage assets.

Enhancing Government Grievance Mechanism to Support National Reforms



In late January 2026 and over two days, the Reform Secretariat at the Ministry of Planning and International Cooperation (MoPIC), in collaboration with the World Bank, delivered a national workshop titled "Government Grievance Mechanisms: National Practices and World Bank Standards."

The workshop brought together over 75 government focal points and covered key areas including World Bank grievance standards, Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs), procurement-related grievances, and the government grievance reporting template, aiming to strengthen institutional capacities and enhance reporting practices.



The activity supports ongoing efforts to enhance accountability and service delivery in line with national reform priorities and was financed by the Jordan Growth MDTF.

Details: [Workshop on Strengthening Government Grievance Mechanisms - Reform Secretariat](#)

A Practical Step Toward Safer and More Inclusive Bus Stops for Women in Jordan

Building on earlier field engagement, consultations, and on the ground assessments, the Modernized and Climate-Resilient Bus Stop Design Standards and Guidelines have been

published, marking a practical step toward improving safety, accessibility, and user experience in public transport, particularly for women.

Developed under the [Enhancing Women's Economic Opportunities \(EWEO\) program](#), this milestone was supported by the Reform Secretariat at MoPIC through the Jordan Growth MDTF, in partnership with the World Bank and in close collaboration with the LTRC.

The initiative supports reforms that promote safer and more inclusive mobility, particularly for women, persons with disabilities, and vulnerable groups, while integrating climate resilience considerations into public infrastructure planning.

The new standards introduce improved design elements that enhance accessibility, comfort, and environmental sustainability, including measures to strengthen resilience to climate conditions such as extreme temperatures.

This achievement contributes to Jordan's broader reform agenda and supports national priorities related to sustainable transport, inclusion, and climate-responsive investments, in line with the Economic Modernization Vision and ongoing reform programs.

The full guidelines are available here: [Bus Stop Design Guidelines](#)

Jordan Among Top Reformers in Global Women, Business and the Law Report



Jordan has been recognized as one of the top five global reformers in the latest Women, Business and the Law report, issued in late February 2026, reflecting years of sustained legal and policy reforms aimed at increasing women's economic participation.

This strong performance reflects a series of legal and regulatory reforms that have helped expand opportunities for women in the economy. These include strengthening labor protections and anti-discrimination measures, introducing flexible work arrangements that support women's participation in the workforce, advancing access to childcare, improving women's access to finance and business opportunities, and enhancing protections against workplace harassment.

These reforms reflect Jordan's broader commitment to economic inclusion and sustainable development, with improving its performance in the Women, Business and the Law report identified as a national priority under the Economic Modernization Vision.

Read the full Report: [Women, Business and the Law 2026](#)

Advancing Public Procurement Professionalization in Jordan

In early December 2025, a two-day workshop was held at the Government Procurement Department to advance the Public Procurement Professionalization Strategy and finalize the Functional Competency Framework, as part of ongoing efforts to build a more professional, transparent, and accountable public procurement system.

The initiative was supported by the Jordan Growth MDTF and coordinated with the World Bank, in collaboration with the Reform Secretariat at MoPIC and contributes to the implementation of the National Roadmap for Public Procurement Reform and Public Procurement Regulation No. (8) of 2022.

The workshop supports strengthening the capacity of public procurement practitioners and promotes the effective use of the electronic procurement system (JONEPS), which has already benefited more than 2,000 government employees.

Further details: [Workshop to Advance Public Procurement Professionalization and Finalize the Functional Competency Framework in Jordan - Reform Secretariat](#)

Advancing Data Infrastructure and Statistical Knowledge in Jordan

Throughout 2025 to date, the Department of Statistics (DoS) has achieved tangible progress across several key areas, as part of the support provided through the Jordan Growth MDTF in collaboration with the World Bank. These efforts contribute to strengthening the national data ecosystem and advancing evidence-based policymaking.

As part of this support, the pilot infrastructure for both the Big Data Platform and the Interactive National Center Portal has been successfully completed. This milestone represents an important step toward improving data integration, accessibility, and utilization by policymakers, researchers, and relevant stakeholders.

Earlier during the year, two thematic reports were launched as part of a broader analytical program under the project. The first report, "Gender Equality from a Statistical Perspective," provides data-driven insights into gender-related indicators, while the second report, "Jordanian Labor Market: Facts and Figures," presents an updated analytical overview of labor market dynamics in Jordan.

These reports form part of a planned series of ten thematic studies to be released progressively, aiming to enhance the availability of specialized statistical analysis and support informed decision-making across national development priorities.

S&P Affirms Jordan's Sovereign Credit Rating with Stable Outlook

On 28 February 2026, S&P Global Ratings affirmed Jordan's long-term sovereign credit rating in both local and foreign currency at BB- with a stable outlook, citing continued macroeconomic stability, progress in economic and fiscal reforms, resilient performance, rising foreign reserves, and sustained donor support.

The agency projected economic growth of 2.8% in 2025 and 3% in 2026, with further gradual increases expected in subsequent years. It also forecast a decline in the consolidated budget deficit to 1.6% of GDP in 2026, alongside a gradual reduction in the net general government debt-to-GDP ratio.

Foreign reserves are projected to reach USD 28.6 billion at the beginning of 2026, while inflation is expected to remain moderate at around 2.4% in the coming years.

Source: Jordan News Agency (Petra), 28 February 2026

Advancing Reforms and Growth in Jordan

This short video captures the spirit of Jordan's Reform Matrix journey. Every reform brings us closer to a stronger and more resilient economy that creates jobs and expands opportunities for all Jordanians.

As we finalize Reform Matrix 2.0 with our government partners and the Jordan Growth MDTF donors, we remain committed to meaningful and lasting change in full alignment with Jordan's Economic Modernization Vision and the Public Sector Modernization Roadmap.



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