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# Program: 13th Arab-German Health Forum

– Respond to the Challenges of Covid-19 –

Monday, September 21st, 2020

14.00 h Site Visits

18.30 h Networking Reception

Tuesday, September 22nd, 2020

08.00 h Registration

*Intercontinental Düsseldorf  
Königsallee 59  
40215 Düsseldorf*

09.00 h Opening Ceremony  
Speakers

*Dr. Peter Ramsauer  
President of the Ghorfa Arab-German Chamber of  
Commerce & Industry / Chairman of the Committee on  
Economic Cooperation and Development / Federal Minister  
ret., Germany*

*H.E. Dr. Mustapha Adib  
Ambassador of the Republic of Lebanon / Dean of the  
Arab Diplomatic Corps, Germany*

Keynotes

*H.E. Armin Laschet  
Minister President of the Federal State of North Rhine-  
Westphalia, Germany*

*H.E. Dr. Bassel Al Sabah  
Minister of Health, Kuwait*

09.30 h Networking Break

10.30 h Panel 1

*How the Covid-19 Pandemic will transform Healthcare:  
Learning Effects for the Healthcare System*

Keynote

*H.E. Prof. Dr. Andreas Pinkwart  
Minister for Economy, Innovation, Digitalization and  
Energy of North Rhine-Westphalia, Germany*

Break

Panel 2

*Skills Training and Knowledge Transfer:  
Industry and Med Tech Innovations - Raising the Stakes  
for Professional Training with Adaptive Learning*

Networking Lunch

Panel 3

*Building Smart Hospitals and Clinics:  
Benefits, Challenges and Limits*

Panel 4

*Arab-German Cooperation in the Pharma Industry:  
Building Sustained Drug and Device Availability in the  
Arab World*

Networking Break

Panel 5

*Public Private Partnerships: Leveraging PPP's to create  
Cooperation between Private and Government Sectors*

*The entire health sector worldwide is currently facing major challenges due to the Covid-19-pandemic. Efficient and modern healthcare systems are essential to overcome such crises. Due to Germany's highly innovative health industry, the country has been extremely efficient and successful in stopping the virus from spreading further, and is thus considered a role model in the fight against the disease.*

*In the Arab countries, there is an emphasis on the development of the health sector, leading to large investments in health infrastructure. A post Covid-19 strategy has to be shaped in the region to pave the way for a strong economy to move past the pandemic and economic crises. The main focus of the strategy is to be self-sufficient in the production of medicine and medical equipment.*

*Therefore, the knowledge transfer, experience and input of German companies and institutions is indeed welcomed, whether in the form of establishing factories or forming different strategic partnerships within the Arab countries.*

*Furthermore, E-health and telemedicine are two newly identified gap areas emerging due to the Covid-19 crisis. The apparent need to invest and devise these fields using the well-established German know-how clearly exists in the region.*

*This opens up promising fields of activity for German companies and institutions and offers the possibility of further cooperation with the Arab countries by taking advantage of German technology and expertise.*

*Fruitful collaborations are a strong foundation to tackle challenging situations like the current one together, thus shaping a safe and prosperous future.*

*To exchange information, discuss perspectives, and strengthen Arab-German cooperation in the healthcare sector, the Ghorfa Arab-German Chamber of Commerce and Industry, together with high-profile partners from Germany and the Arab world, is organising the 13th Arab-German Health Forum.*

*The event will be the major information and networking platform to establish and strengthen long-lasting Arab-German business relationships in the healthcare sector.*

*Renowned experts and decision-makers from business, politics and science will address the most pressing issues facing medicine and healthcare in the coming decade, as well as the challenges the pandemic has brought about and discuss how economic cooperation can overcome them.*

*We are looking forward to welcoming you to the 13th Arab-German Health Forum.*