

24th Arab-German Business Forum

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For more than one and a half years, we have been living in a global pandemic, which has put enormous strains on our economies and personal lives. After eighteen months of physical distancing, people are longing for personal networking, face-to-face meetings, and exchange of information.

Times have been challenging, but the Arab-German business relations are still deeply rooted, stable and full of opportunities.

There is a growing understanding that only collaboration and joint growth will create a secure and stable framework, which is much needed by the economies of both regions.

In recent years, numerous examples of true partnerships between Germany and the Arab world have emerged. While there may be tendencies of a much more inward-looking economic policy in certain countries, leading international institutions and economists agree that open economies must be the way forward.

In order to strengthen the Arab-German cooperation, as well as to discuss perspectives and challenges, it is our pleasure to invite you to the 24th Arab-German Business Forum at the Hotel Ritz-Carlton Berlin from 4-6 October 2021.

The three-day conference will continue as the leading platform for Arab-German business relations. The panel discussions with high-level and eloquent speakers will focus on key sectors that create opportunities and growth.

Together with our partners, we are delighted to welcome you to an inspiring 24th Arab-German Business Forum.

Monday, October 4th, 2021

- 12:00 – 18:00 h **Registration**
at The Ritz-Carlton Hotel Potsdamer Platz 3, 10785 Berlin
- 17:00 h – 18:30 h **German-Libyan Business Cooperation**
(Participation for the Libyan Delegation and interested German Companies only)
- 19:00 h **Reception & Networking Get Together**
at China Club, Adlon Palais, Behrenstraße 72, 10117 Berlin

Tuesday, October 5th, 2021

- 08:00 h **Registration**
- 09:00 h – 10:00 h **Official Opening**
Welcoming:
H.E. Abdel-Hamid Dbaiba
Prime Minister, Libya (video message)
- Dr. Peter Ramsauer, MdB**
Federal Minister ret., President of the Ghorfa Arab-German Chamber of Commerce and Industry
- H.E. Dr. Mustapha Adib**
Ambassador of the Republic of Lebanon / Dean of the Arab Diplomatic Corps, Germany
- Keynotes:**
H.E. Andreas Feicht
State Secretary, Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Energy, Germany
- H.E. Muhammad Al-Hawij**
Minister of Economy and Trade, Libya
- Speakers:**
H.E. Sheikh Daij bin Salman bin Daij Al Khalifa
Chairman of the Board, Alba Bahrain, Bahrain
- Dr. Volker Treier**
Chief Executive of Foreign Trade, Association of German Chambers of Commerce and Industry (DIHK), Germany
- 10:00 h **Networking Break**

- 10:15 h – 11:00 h **Partner Country Panel:**
German-Libyan Business Cooperation in the Energy Sector

Keynotes:
H.E. Mohamad M. Oun
Minister of Oil and Gas, Libya

H.E. Wiam Al-Abdali
Chairman, General Electric Company, Libya

- 11:00 h – 12:00 h **Panel 1:**
Logistics and Transport: The Mobility and Connectivity Transition in the Arab World
- 12:00 h **Networking Break**
- 12:30 h – 13:30 h **Panel 2:**
Urban Infrastructure & Smart Cities Reconstruction, Sustainable Recovery and Economic Regeneration
- 13:30 h **Networking Lunch**
- 14:30 h – 15:30 h **Panel 3:**
Digitalization: How Industry 4.0 can Drive Diversification in the Arab Countries
- 15:30 h **Networking Break**
- 16:00 h – 17:00 h **Panel 4:**
Knowledge Transfer: The Key to Business Sustainability and Digital Transformation Success
- 19:00 h **Networking Reception & Dinner**

Wednesday, October 6th, 2021

- 09:00 h **Registration**
- 09:30 h – 10:30 h **Panel 5:**
The Future of Investment and Finance in German Arab Business Relations: Change of Focus and Frameworks
- 10:30 h **Networking Break**
- 11:00 h – 12:00 h **Ambassadors' Podium Discussion:**
Perspectives of Arab-German Business Relations
- 12:00 h – 13:00 h **Networking Lunch**