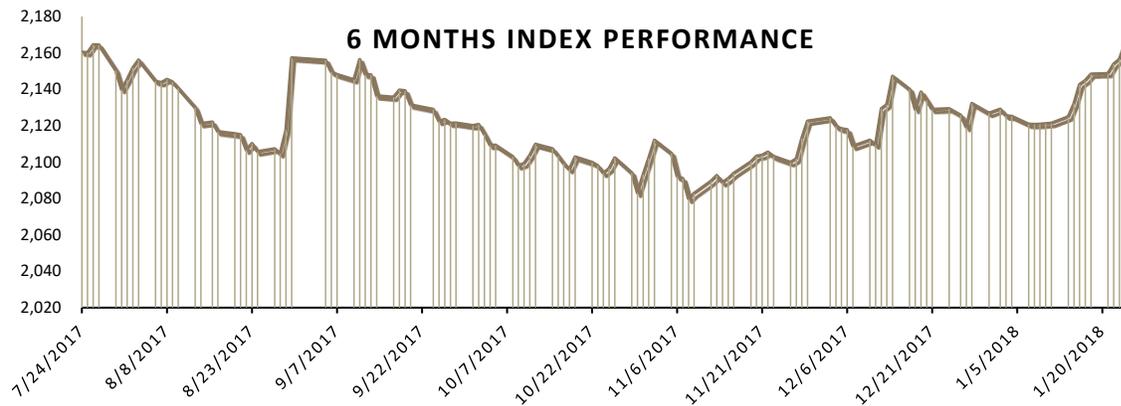


	Close	% Change	Year-to-Date (YTD)	Daily Volume (shares)	Daily Turnover (JOD)
AMMAN SE GENERAL INDEX	2,186.96	-0.07%	2.83%	4,142,508	4,804,949



Best Performing Companies

	% Change
ITTIHAD SCHOOLS COMPANY	7.09
ARAB INTERNATIONAL HOTELS	5.41
INTL CO FOR MEDICAL INVEST	4.71
ZARA INVESTMENTS	4.35
MASAFAT FOR SPECIALIZED TRAN	3.77

Worst Performing Companies

	% Change
COMPREHENSIVE LAND DEVELOPME	(2.35)
UNITED IRON & STEEL MANUFACT	(3.03)
NATIONAL CABLE & WIRE MANUF	(3.33)
ARAB EAST FOR REAL ESTATE IN	(4.26)
AL-BILAD MEDICAL SERVICES	(7.45)

Top Traded Companies by Value (JOD)

INTERMEDIATE PETROCHEMICALS	575,975
AL AMAL FINANCIAL INVESTMENT	526,600
RUM TOURIST TRANSPORTATION C	376,850
ISRAA ISLAMIC FINANCIAL	367,200
ARABIAN AVIATION INVESTMENT	200,147

Top Traded Companies by Volume (Shares)

ARABIAN AVIATION INVESTMENT	794,573
JORDAN PHOSPHATE MINES	570,146
INTERMEDIATE PETROCHEMICALS	441,000
JORDAN PETROLEUM REFINERY CO	393,724
RUM TOURIST TRANSPORTATION C	292,142

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Forum discusses measures to shield financial institutions from cyber crimes

Central Bank of Jordan Governor Ziad Fariz on Tuesday called for increased measures to protect financial institutions from cyber crimes. Fariz was speaking during a cyber security forum organised by the Union of Arab Banks, in cooperation with the Central Bank of Jordan, the Jordan News Agency, Petra, reported. Fariz pointed out that work is currently under way to establish a task force to respond to cyber crimes in the financial sector, highlighting the need to strengthen the security of the financial sector through information exchange, early detection and rapid response. He said that cyber security faces a number of technical, political, social and cultural threats and “it is high time” to develop cyber security strategies in cooperation with all sectors of society. For his part, Chairman of the Union of Arab Banks Sheikh Mohammad Al Jarah Al Sabah noted that the “increased dependence on technology” contributed to accomplishing efficiency for financial institutions, adding however, “it also creates new dangers that are developing quickly in various forms, especially cyber attacks”.

‘Basra-Aqaba pipeline to provide Jordan with 150,000 barrels of crude oil a day’

Energy Minister Saleh Kharabsheh on Tuesday highlighted the economic importance of the Basra-Aqaba oil pipeline in providing the Kingdom with some 150,000 barrels of crude oil a day. He said that the project also includes building reservoirs with a capacity of 7 million barrels and establishing a port to export the Iraqi oil from Aqaba, the Jordan News Agency, Petra, reported. The minister estimated the cost of the pipeline to range between \$8 billion and \$10 billion with a total length of 1,350 kilometres (350km between Basra and Najaf and 1,000km from Najaf to Aqaba). Kharabsheh said that the exporting capacity of the pipeline will stand at around 1 million barrel a day.

EBRD annual meeting, business forum to be held at Dead Sea in May

Minister of Planning and International Cooperation Imad Fakhoury on Tuesday signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD) Secretary General Enzo Quattrocioche to host the bank’s 27th Annual Meeting and Business Forum, scheduled to be held at the Dead Sea May 9-10, 2018. The EBRD annual meeting is expected to bring around 2,000 visitors to the Kingdom including government representatives, businesspeople, policymakers, academics and opinion leaders, Fakhoury said during the signing ceremony.

* Source: Bloomberg, Jordan Times, Zawya

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