

## **Amman Stock Exchange joins United Nations initiative for sustainable and transparent capital markets**

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The Amman Stock Exchange (ASE) expressed its commitment to promoting socially and environmentally responsible business and sustainable investment by joining the United Nations Sustainable Stock Exchanges (SSE) initiative as a Partner Exchange. ASE is the 49<sup>th</sup> stock exchange to partner with this initiative which works with capital market leaders and policymakers to create sustainable and transparent capital markets.

*"The Amman Stock Exchange is pleased to join the SSE initiative and we look forward to working in cooperation with the SSE experts and with our stakeholders in Jordan to improve sustainability practices within our listed companies and making greater impact on the investment community,"* Mr. Nader Azar, CEO of the Amman Stock Exchange said.

The ASE fully supports and understands the benefits that socially and environmentally responsible business and sustainable investments provide," he added.

The SSE is a peer-to-peer learning platform for exploring how exchanges-in collaboration with investors, regulators, and companies-can encourage sustainable investment and enhance corporate transparency, and ultimately performance, on ESG (environmental, social and corporate governance) issues. The SSE is convened by the UN Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD), the UN Global Compact, the UN Environment Program Finance Initiative (UNEP FI), and the Principles for Responsible Investment (PRI).