



WORKERS' CENTER

Opening Ceremony of the Al Hassan Workers' Center

**hosted by the
Irbid Chamber of Industry**

Wednesday, October 9th, 2013

*Al Hassan Workers' Center
Al Hassan Industrial Zone
Irbid/Ramtha, Jordan*

The Al Hassan Workers' Center will charge nominal fees for the use of services in order to work towards a sustainable model of operation. However, the center depends upon donations to cover a portion of operating costs. We are also in need of certain in-kind contributions such as office furniture, computer equipment, and sports equipment.

To donate or to learn more about the Al Hassan Workers' Center and the Association of Workers' Centers, please visit our website at

www.workerscenterassociation.com

Opening Ceremony Agenda

Welcome:

Mr. Raed Samara, President, Al Hassan Local Managing Committee of the Workers' Center Association

National Anthem

Official Remarks:

H. E. Professor Nidal Katamin, Minister of Labour and Minister of Tourism

H. E. Mr. Stuart Jones, United States Ambassador

Mr. Farhan Ifram, Treasurer, Jordan Garments, Accessories and Textiles Exporters Association

Mr. Fathalla Omrani, President, General Trade Union for Garment and Textile Industries

Mr. Frank Hagemann, Deputy Regional Director, ILO Regional Office for Arab States

Mr. Emad Nadaf, President, Al Hassan Investors Association

Official Ribbon Cutting

Lunch

The Workers' Center in Brief

Established in 2012, the Workers' Center Association (WCA) is a charitable organization dedicated to improving quality of life and providing services for workers in Jordan's garment industry. The WCA governs the Al-Hassan Workers' Center, located in Al-Hassan Industrial Zone near Irbid/Ramtha. The first of its kind in Jordan, the Al-Hassan Workers' Center serves workers from all different ethnic, national, and religious backgrounds and is committed to:

1. Developing and providing training courses and seminars for workers to improve their job and life skills
2. Providing a social forum and organizing entertainment activities
3. Improving worker well-being by providing general awareness on issues such as humanitarian, health, psychological, and practical; and
4. Offering accessible services and basic commodities at affordable costs for workers.

A tripartite Board of Directors governs the WCA, while the day-to-day affairs of the Al-Hassan Workers' Center are supervised by a tripartite Local Managing Committee. The Al-Hassan Center is intended as a pilot project that will be replicated in industrial zones around Jordan if successful.