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REMINDER: Invitation to an Open Discussion
Economic Challenges & Prospects for Reforms in Kuwait
Monday, February 19, 2024 | 7:00pm Kuwait Time
A collaboration between the World Bank & the Kuwait Economic Society

Opening Remarks



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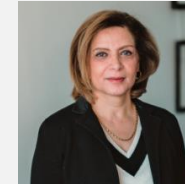
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Moderator



Ms. Haya Ayman Boodai
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Program will be conducted in English with Arabic Interpretation.*



Program Agenda
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| 6:50-7:00 |
| 7:00-7:05 |
| 7:05-7:50 |
| 7:05-7:20 |
| 7:20-7:35 |
| 7:35-7:50 |
| 7:50-9:00 |
| Moderator |

| <u>Agenda</u> |
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| Guests to be seated |
| Opening Remarks Mr. Mishari Al Abduljalil Dr. Ziad Nakat |
| Presentations Dr. Nadir Mohammed Mr. Manaf Al Hajeri Dr. Fadia Sadaah |
| Q&A Ms. Haya Ayman Boodai |

Kuwait’s economic challenges and the need for economic diversification and a productive labor market have been the subject of discussions for a while. Yet few actions have been taken to reform the economy and put it on a more dynamic and productive path.

A number of questions typically arise when thinking of potential options for economic development in Kuwait: What is the extent of the economic challenges in Kuwait? what have been the key impediments for reforms? what are distinct features and added value in Kuwait’s economy and society on which to build a national economic vision?

The presenters - and the active participation from the audience during the Q&A - will attempt to address those questions and identify possible options to unlock the full potential of Kuwait’s economy, which was once a beacon of growth and innovation in the region.