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GENERAL SECRETARIAT

Representatives of the Steering Committee  
Transition Fund  
Deauville Partnership

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Dear Representatives of the Steering Committee,

The Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) hereby endorses the project presented by the Government of Jordan on *Supporting Jordan to improve SME Policy effectiveness through better coordination, consultation, monitoring and evaluation mechanisms* and is ready to assist the Government of Jordan to carry it out and implement it in accordance with the Transition Fund's Operations Manual and related procedures. This project is endorsed by the OECD, which is the designated sole Implementation Support Agency for this project.

The project is supporting the Government of Jordan in fostering inclusive growth by building capacity to reinforce key elements of the SME policy making process: coordination, public-private consultations, monitoring and evaluation. To this end, the project will focus on developing the implementation mechanisms of the SME Strategy of Jordan, specifically through firstly the creation of a mechanism for effective oversight, coordination, partnership development and capacity building; secondly, through the development of a statistical database and dedicated SME information web-portal; and thirdly through the design and implementation of a monitoring and evaluation system. The project will focus on building the capacity of Jordan to set up those implementation mechanisms based on international good practice in OECD countries and in selected emerging economies.

This project has been prepared and finalised according to the OECD normal policies and procedures as set up by the OECD Governing Body. The appraisal of the project has been completed and cleared by the OECD management following internal consultation of the relevant OECD offices.

This endorsement letter is accompanied by the proper documentation reflecting the agreement by the OECD Governing Body to carry out such activities. The project proposal is hereby submitted to the Steering Committee with a request for approval.

Sincerely yours,



ANDREAS SCHAAL