



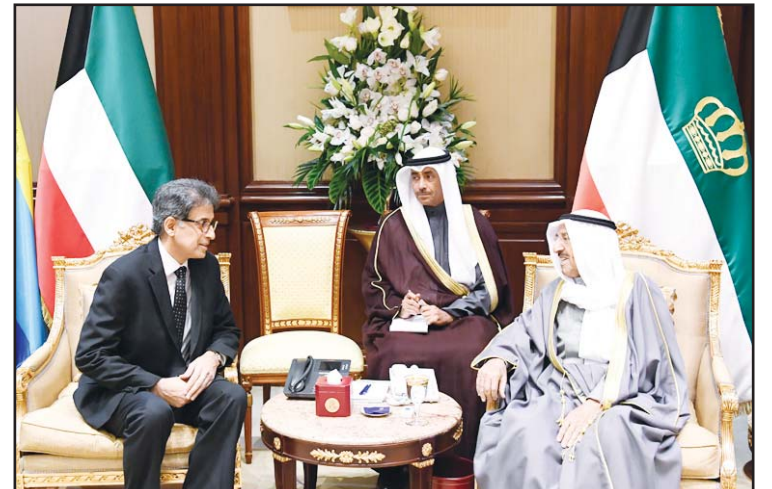
Left: His Highness the Amir Sheikh Sabah Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah received Tuesday at Bayan Palace His Highness the Crown Prince Sheikh Nawaf Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah and (right) with Speaker Marzouq Al-Ghanim and Iraqi Parliament Speaker Mohammad Al-Halbousi



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**His Highness the Amir's audiences**

His Highness the Amir Sheikh Sabah Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah received Tuesday at Bayan Palace His Highness the Crown Prince Sheikh Nawaf Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah. His Highness attended a reception at Bayan Palace celebrating newly-appointed ambassadors to Kuwait; US Ambassador Alina Romanowski, Bahraini Ambassador Salah

Al-Malki, and Libyan Ambassador Sulaiman Al-Sahili. The ceremony was also attended by Kuwait's Foreign Minister Sheikh Dr. Ahmad Nasser Al-Mohammad Al-Sabah, Minister of Amiri Diwan Affairs Sheikh Ali Jarrah Al-Sabah, Deputy Minister of Amiri Diwan Sheikh Mohammad Al-Abdullah Al-Sabah, Amiri Di-

wan's Undersecretary and His Highness the Amir's Office Director Ahmad Fahad Al-Fahad, Director of Amiri Protocols and Ceremonials Sheikh Khaled Al-Abdullah Al-Sabah Al-Nasser Al-Sabah. His Highness also received His Highness the Prime Minister Sheikh Sabah Khaled Al-Hamad Al-Sabah, who escorted Canadian

Prime Minister Justin Trudeau and his accompanying delegation on his official visit to the country. During the reception, both sides discussed bilateral relations and ways to boost cooperation in various fields, in addition to issues of common interest between the two countries. Advisor at the Prime Minister's Diwan Sheikh

Dr Salem Al-Jaber Al-Ahmad Al-Sabah attended the reception. Furthermore, His Highness received National Assembly Speaker Marzouq Al-Ghanim, accompanied by Iraqi Parliament Speaker Mohammad Al-Halbousi during his official visit. The receptions were attended by Minister of Amiri Diwan Affairs Sheikh Ali Jarrah Al-Sabah.

# Finance Minister, London Lord Mayor discuss 'boosting' ties

'Govt, investors have role in achieving net-zero economy'

**KUWAIT CITY, Feb 11, (KUNA):** Kuwaiti Minister of Finance and Acting Minister of State for Economic Affairs Mariam Al-Aqeel held talks on Tuesday with visiting Lord Mayor of the City of London William Russell, on enhancing ties between the two countries.

The meeting dealt with investment opportunities in both countries in public and private sectors, Al-Aqeel said in a press statement.

She pointed out that the meeting came as part of Russell's and his accompanying delegation's official visit to the country.

The meeting was attended by the Managing Director at Kuwait Investment Authority (KIA) and KIA representatives.

Meanwhile, Lord Mayor of the City of London William Russell said that governments and investors have a major role to play to achieve a net-zero economy.

This came in a speech by Mayor Russell during a forum on sustainable finance ESG organized by Ahli United Bank (AUB) on Tuesday.



Photo from the event

## 'Many innovation-enabling conditions are not met'

# LSE professors to present findings on solutions to Kuwait development trap

**KUWAIT CITY, Feb 11:** Gulf University for Science and Technology's (GUST) Global Studies Center (GSC) invited Dr Neil Lee and Professor Simona Iammarino from the Department of Geography and Environment at the London School of Economics (LSE) to give a talk about a research project conducted with the Kuwaiti Institute for Scientific Research (KISR). The project focuses on a crucial problem faced by the Kuwaiti economy as it seeks to diversify: how can the Kuwaiti government support private sector R&D investments?

During the talk, they presented new evidence, based on an in-depth background research and on original surveys of Kuwaiti enterprises, which illustrate the scale of the challenge and the potential interventions which might help Kuwait break and overcome developmental obstacles.

According to Dr Lee and Professor Iammarino, long standing academic research has shown that investment in research and development, and innovation is a systemic and interactive process, requiring different actors - eg firms, Mayor of the City of London for 2019-2020 and a member of the Advisory Board of Innovate Finance, an independent not-profit membership organization serving the global FinTech community and a Court Assistant to the Haberdashers' Company.

large and small, domestic- and foreign-owned, universities, research and education institutions, and government agencies - to work together and align their objectives. Furthermore, it requires a set of framework conditions encompassing, among other factors, demand for innovation, finance, skills, institutions and social and cultural attitudes.

One of the conclusions of their research is that the reliance of the Kuwaiti economy on oil wealth - with the associated low-risk business culture which discourages uncertain R&D and innovation investments - may imply, in the longer term, the danger of incurring a "development trap", where incentives to innovation and diversification are locked in for economic activities to continue just as they are. Despite the overall wealth of the country, and its democratic primacy in the GCC region, many of the innovation-enabling conditions are not met in Kuwait, both at the level of single category of actors, and certainly not as a functioning system.

Director of the Global Studies Center, Dr Shahd Al-Shammari

said, "GUST's Global Studies Center continues to be active in providing a platform for researchers to showcase their innovative projects and communicate their findings with the local community. We aim to foster a dialogue between international and local researchers as well as the general public."

The GSC is a leading research center on global studies, and a vehicle for engaging both internal and external communities through stimulating events and lectures on global issues. The center aims to conduct cutting-edge research on cross-national political, economic, social, cultural, and environmental issues of critical importance, and share research output and information regionally and globally. The GSC seeks to foster public understanding of global issues with local significance.

GUST continues to build on its mission to become a knowledge-hub that benefits and engages students, academics, and the wider Kuwait community as a whole. For more information on upcoming events, visit <https://gsc.gust.edu.kw/>

**Prayer Timings**

Fajr	05:10
Sunrise	06:30
Zohr	12:02
Asr	15:11
Maghrib	17:35
Isha	18:53

Beacon M28	-	-	6ft	SE
Beacon N6	-	-	6ft	SE
Qaruh Island	13	07	6ft	SE
Umm Al-Maradem	14	08	6ft	SE
Sea Island Buoy	-	-	-	-
Salmiyah	13	06	6ft	SE

**4 days forecast - Marine**

**Wednesday, Feb 12**  
Expected weather: ...Cold and some scattered clouds will appear  
Sea state .....Slight to moderate, rough at times  
Wave height.....2-6 ft  
Max Temp.....12C  
Min Temp.....-1C  
Wind Direction.....NW  
Wind Speed.....12-40 km/h

**Thursday, Feb 13**  
Expected weather: .....Rather cold  
Sea state .....Slight to moderate  
Wave height.....1-3 ft  
Max Temp.....17C  
Min Temp.....04C  
Wind Direction.....NW-VRB  
Wind Speed.....06-26 km/h

**Friday, Feb 14**  
Expected weather: .....Fair and clouds will increase gradually  
Sea state .....Slight to moderate  
Wave height.....1-3 ft  
Max Temp.....21C  
Min Temp.....07C  
Wind Direction.....NW-VRB  
Wind Speed.....08-28 km/h

**Saturday, Feb 15**  
Expected weather: .....Fair and partly cloudy  
Sea state .....Slight to moderate  
Wave height.....1-3 ft  
Max Temp.....23C  
Min Temp.....11C  
Wind Direction.....VRB-NW  
Wind Speed.....06-26 km/h

**Tide times at Shuwaikh Port**

1st high tide	01:12
2nd high tide	14:46
1st low tide	19:01
2nd low tide	08:25
Sunrise	06:30
Sunset	17:35

**Recorded yesterday at Kuwait Airport**

Max temp	16°C
Min temp	07°C
Max Rh	73%
Min Rh	31%
Max Wind	N 50 km/h
Total Rainfall in 24 hrs	0 mm

**Recorded yesterday at South Dolphin**

Min/Max/ Air Temp	-/-/C
Min/Max Rel Hum	-/-%
Wind Direction/Wind Speed	N/- km/h
Prev Wave Dir/Max Wave Ht	N/- ft
Min/Max Sea Surface Temp	-/- C
Sea Current	Upwelling

— Directorate General of Civil Aviation, Meteorological Dept.

**deaths**

**Huda Mahmoud Ahmad Abdul Rahim**, 52 years old, buried on Tuesday. Condolences: (Men) Andalous, Block 13, Street 8, House 17, Tel. 65650030 (Women) Mubarak Al Kabeer, Block 5, Street 8, House 10, Tel. 97900660. **Wathha Mahdi Delaim Al Ajmi**, 79 years old, widow of Fouzan Taleb Tainan Al Ajmi, buried on Tuesday. Condolences: (Men) at the cemetery, Tel. 99789363 (Women) Thayer, Block 4, Street 3, House 47, Tel. 2881712. **Hayra Mifleh Ammar Al Azemi**, 66 years old, wife of Mubarak Millaq Al Azaam Al Azemi, buried on Tuesday. Condolences: Fahaeel, Block 10, Street 12, House 38, Tel. 99435656, 99859871. **Aana Marseed Boujarwi**, 61 years old, wife of Abdul Aziz Boujarwi, buried on Tuesday. Condolences: (Men) Bayan, Block 5, Street 3, Avenue 2, House 4, Tel. 99063881 (Women) Mishref, Block 3, Street 3, House 44, Tel. 99335515. **Lameeah Ahmad Taher Al Baghli**, 68 years old, buried on Tuesday. Condolences: (Men) Nuzha, Block 2, Street 27, Diwan Al Baghli, Tel. 66267220, 97877824 (Women) Rumathiya, Block 3, Ahmad Bin Hanbal Street, Avenue 37, House 9, Tel. 96611124, 97310538. **Hassan Ahmad Husein Al Messaleekh**, 31 years old, to be buried on Wednesday at 9:00 am Condolences: Rumathiya, Block 8, Osama Bin Zaid, Huseiniyat Al Rasoul, Tel. 99733470, 55619955

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