## Performance of the Amman Stock Exchange During 2012

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Mr. Nader Azar, the Acting Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Amman Stock Exchange (ASE) said that the trading value for the ASE during 2012 reached JD2.0 billion compared to JD2.9 billion for 2011. The ASE price index weighted by free float shares closed at 1958 points, a decrease of 1.9% compared with the closing of 2011 which stood at 1995 points. The number of traded shares also witnessed a decrease during 2012 of 41.1% and reached 2.4 billion shares, traded through 975 thousand transactions, compared with 4.1 billion shares traded during 2011 through 1.3 million transactions. The share turnover ratio has decreased to reach 33.9% during 2012, compared with 58.2% during 2011.

The non-Jordanian ownership as a percentage of market capitalization of the ASE has increased to 51.7% at the end of 2012, compared with 51.3% at the end of the year 2011. The net non-Jordanian investments in the ASE has increased by JD37.7 million during 2012 compared with an increase of JD78.6 million during 2011.

In addition, the market capitalization of listed shares at the ASE has amounted to JD19.1 billion, constituting 93.5% of the GDP.