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☐ Yes, I agree to share the above information with other members of the DAFG

Method of payment*

- ☐ Payment upon receipt of invoice
- ☐ direct debit (only for bank accounts within Germany)

Direct Debit Authorization:

Account holder

Bank

Bank Identifier Code (BIC)

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The DAFG Advisory Board

The members of the advisory board advise and assist the DAFG in its work. The advisory board includes the ambassadors from Arab countries to Germany by virtue of their duty. Their doyen is the chair of the advisory board. In addition to the ambassadors from Arab countries to Germany, other high-level representatives are appointed to the advisory board.

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About Us

■ **The German-Arab Friendship Association (DAFG)**

Founded in July 2007, the German-Arab Friendship Association (DAFG) advocates understanding, trust and cooperation between Germany and the Arab World on a friendly footing. The association covers a wide range of fields of cooperation, namely politics, business & economy, culture, science & education and the media. This ensures that people from very different fields enthusiastically contribute to the DAFG and its objectives.

The president of the DAFG is Dr. Otto Wiesheu, former Bavarian Minister of State for Economic Affairs, Infrastructure, Transport and Technology. The DAFG board comprises German and Arab citizens as well as Germans of Arab origin who reflect the various DAFG fields of work. It is composed of members of political parties in Germany, outstanding representatives of cultural, educational and economic institutions, and known business representatives. The DAFG closely collaborates with the Arab ambassadors in Berlin who are also members of the association; some of which are also members of the board.

The German-Arab Friendship Association (DAFG) is a non-partisan, non-profit organization characterized by its transparency. The DAFG encourages its members to get involved in the various fields of action.

DAFG's Working Spheres

Politics

The German-Arab Friendship Association (DAFG) promotes political exchange between Germany and the Arab countries as defined by open dialogue and peaceful understanding. Through lectures as well as panel and background discussions, the DAFG deepens the understanding of governmental, political and social structures on both sides. We work closely with the Arab states' embassies in Germany and with all German and Arab parties and institutions that are committed to the peaceful development of German-Arab relations. The DAFG is a non-partisan organization that does not take a role as political actor or take sides in political conflicts.

■ Economic Cooperation

The principal objective of our activities in the field of economic cooperation is to further tap the potential of German-Arab relations in order to contribute to the economic development in the region. The German-Arab Friendship Association (DAFG) regards itself as a link between politics and economy in Germany and the Arab states. We provide information on economic development as well as on investment and business opportunities in the Arab countries by means of suitable events. Moreover, by organizing delegation trips, the DAFG supports the establishment of business contacts with potential clients and relevant decision-makers in the Arab world.

■ Culture, Education & Science

The German-Arab Friendship Association (DAFG) considers art and culture as well as education and science as crucial elements to deepen friendship and understanding between Germany and the Arab world. The language of art – be it literature, music or visual art – is understood beyond cultural boundaries and offers numerous starting points for a genuine cultural exchange. We want to provide a platform for Arabs and Germans to find out more about each other and get the opportunity to learn about each other's culture in all its varieties.

Media & Communication

The German-Arab Friendship Association's (DAFG) aim in the field of media and communication is to intensify the mutual coverage of German-Arab topics through establishing a network between German and Arab media and journalists. To this end, the DAFG maintains close contacts with German and Arab journalists from print media, radio and television and actively involves them in its work. Through its continuous public relations, the DAFG's work is made transparent and publicly accessible. Our website is the central information platform for the press, cooperation partners, our members and those interested in German-Arab relations. It is the medium through which we promote our events, inform about interesting activities and document the DAFG's work.

**Be Part of our Network.
Become a DAFG Member!**

Membership Application

Please return the fully completed application by post to the following address:
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surname

name

contact address

company (if necessary)

profession/position (if necessary)

street

zip code, city, country

telephone / fax (private)

telephone / fax (office)

mobile

e-mail / website

date of birth

topics / countries of interest

Type of Membership* [Please tick where applicable]

- Annual membership fee for **individual membership**:
90 Euro/calendar year
- Reduced annual membership fee: 50 Euro/calendar year
Students, unemployed persons, pensioners
Corresponding certification for reduced individual membership is attached
- Annual membership fee for **company membership**:
1000 Euro/calendar year

Membership Card

- ☐ A photo for the membership card is enclosed.
- ☐ I will send a photo by e-mail to office@dafg.eu.
- ☐ I do not need a membership card.

