



## CREATION OF A “REGIONAL INSTITUTE FOR CONSERVATION AND RESTORATION (RICR)” IN JERASH - ESTABLISHMENT OF THE INSTITUTE

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with Jordanian Institutions on:



**CULTURAL HERITAGE  
AND ENVIRONMENT**

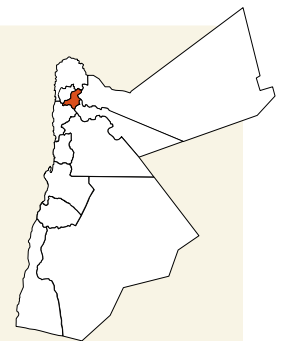
- Regional Institute for Conservation and Restoration of cultural heritage in Jerash
- Petra Siq stability and Conservation of the Royal Tombs
- Sustainable Tourism in Madaba

### PROGRAMME SUMMARY

The rich historical, archaeological and cultural heritage of Jordan and the other Middle Eastern countries represents an important part of the worldwide value that faces the challenges of conservation and restoration, in a Region exposed to constant risk of destruction.

The programme sustains the efforts of the Jordanian Ministry of Tourism and Antiquities (MoTA) in the conservation and restoration of cultural heritage, through the establishment of a “**Regional Institute for Conservation and Restoration**” (RICR). The RICR aims to bridge the gap in the specialist training sector in the MENA Region, by providing training for studying, planning and implementing conservation and restoration of cultural heritage, in partnership with national and

international Institutions. The Ministry of Tourism and Antiquities has designated one of its properties close to the archaeological site of Jerash as the location for the RICR, to be rehabilitated by UNOPS.



**SECTOR** | CULTURAL HERITAGE

**STATUS** | ONGOING

**FUNDED IN** | 2019

**BUDGET** | € 2,000,000.00

**IMPLEMENTING PARTNERS** | UNITED NATIONS OFFICE FOR PROJECT SERVICES (UNOPS), MINISTRY OF TOURISM AND ANTIQUITIES (MOTA) – DEPARTMENT OF ANTIQUITIES (DOA)

**BENEFICIARIES** | MOTA – DOA, PARTICIPANTS TO TRAININGS, JORDANIAN UNIVERSITIES AND TECHNICAL SCHOOLS

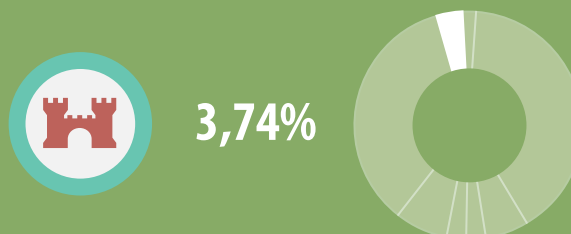
## ACTIVITIES OF THE RICR

The RICR will offer specialist training to the DoA staff and to future professionals in the Region, to increase the quality and capability of the labour market in the field of cultural heritage. It will provide activities aimed to: 1) preserve, conserve and restore cultural heritage in Jordan and the Middle East, 2) provide specialist training to professionals, such as conservators, restorers, architects, archaeologists, and scientific experts, 3) carry out scientific research on conservation, and 4) disseminate intervention methodologies for conservation and technical assistance, with activities carried out at regional level and in collaboration with international specialist institutions.

In addition to the rehabilitation of the building, UNOPS will ensure equipment supply for a total amount of 850,000 Euro, which includes: 1) Furniture, 2) Materials for restoration (Machinery and equipment for restoration; Mosaics, wall paintings and stone artifacts; Ceramics artifacts; Chemical products and small lab equipment;

## 1 INTERVENTION 1 LOCATION

- capacity development
- awareness raising



AICS Amman's investment in **Cultural Heritage and Environment** expressed as a percentage of the total budget 2016-2019



Individual protection equipment); 3) Informatics, Photography, Surveying equipment; 4) Scientific equipment for the scientific laboratory; 5) Educational materials, books, stationery.


The RICR will deliver scientific research and training programmes for trainers and specialist professional training, to implement conservation and restoration interventions, consulting and technical advice, organization of symposia, workshops and seminars. Key activities include: training courses on Conservation and restoration, set-up of a Scientific multidisciplinary laboratory, Conservation and Restoration laboratories (Conservation of architectural and historical monuments and sites, Management of archeological sites, Conservation of museum materials, Conservation of archaeological inorganic material, Conservation of archeological organic material, Conservation of composite material), Capacity building.

In addition, the Institute will carry out public awareness activities to provide specialist information resources, as well as events to disseminate the initiative.

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