

## **Jordan:**2021 Aqaba Conference Research Award to address remote working



The second edition of the Aqaba Conference Research Award, to be held this year, looks to tackle the pros and cons of working remotely in the insurance sector, the AqabaConf Organising Committee has announced.

The Organising Committee, formed by the Jordan Insurance Federation (JIF), calls on researchers and professionals in the insurance field to submit their papers under the theme of "Challenges & Advantages of Working Remotely in the Insurance Sector" with the deadline for submission set on 31 March 2021.

Prizes shall be awarded to the top five winners as follows:

- first prize: \$5,000,
- second prize: \$4,000,
- third prize: \$3,000,
- fourth prize: \$2,000
- fifth prize : \$1,000.



The prizes will be awarded during the 8th Aqaba Conference (AqabaConf2021) which will be held in the Aqaba Special Economic Zone between 30 May and 2 June 2021.

The five winning researchers will be invited as Guests of Honour to attend the AqabaConf2021. JIF will cover their transportation and accommodation expenses, as well as registration fees.

Last week, the AqabaConf Organising Committee launched the conference website (<u>www.aqabaconf.com</u>). It announced in a media release that positive indicators, in terms of improvement in the COVID-19 situation as more people are receiving vaccinations, generate hope that the conditions will gradually return to normal at the beginning of the second quarter.

Accordingly, the committee expects the conference to attract between 650 and 750 participants from local, Arab and international companies.

The biennial event usually attracts more than 500 participants and addresses topical issues facing the insurance industry.

This year, the event will focus on the challenges of the day and deal with hot topics of concern especially those related to the COVID-19 pandemic crisis.

At the AqabaConf 2019, the Research Award was presented for the very first time as part of the JIF's drive to enhance the insurance sector.