

Saudi Arabia in Focus

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From the ambassador

The celebration of this anniversary reminds us of the founder and unifier of Saudi Arabia His Majesty King Abdulaziz Bin Abdulrahman Al Saud, who united the people and established security, safety and stability throughout the Kingdom. His good sons followed his path thereafter, all the way to the era of our leader, the Custodian of the Two Holy Mosques King Salman bin Abdulaziz .

Whereas The Kingdom, under his Leadership, has been able to confront many regional and international challenges, and accomplished a number of developmental achievements, including the launch of the Kingdom's Vision 2030 and promoting the national transformation 2020 to diversify the economy and invest the Kingdom's natural, environmental and geographical aspects for the benefit of the country and its population.

We have distinctive bilateral relationships that bring together the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, the kingdom of Belgium and the Duchy of Luxembourg, whereas the Kingdom maintains special ties of friendship, and a common ground of understanding and cooperation in all fields.



Ambassador

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The crown prince praised the Kingdom's growth and prosperity under the leadership of King Salman, Custodian of the Two Holy Mosques



Saudi Arabia “will remain committed to the principles” of Islam, “the religion of tolerance and moderation,” Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman said on Sunday in a speech to mark the Kingdom’s 88th National Day. The Kingdom “will keep on fighting against extremism and terrorism,” and “we will not allow anyone to attack the sovereignty of our homeland or jeopardize its security,” he added. The crown prince paid tribute to “the efforts of our countrymen in all fields, and most importantly our soldiers and security personnel.”

The 88th National Day is an opportunity to recall the achievements of the country’s founder King Abdul Aziz and his sons, the crown prince said. “On our National Day, we take pride in our country’s position on an international, Islamic and Arab level,” the crown prince said. He praised the Kingdom’s achievements of “security, regional and international peace” and “economic prosperity.”.

Government agencies have established the principles of transparency and justice to promote integrity, fight corruption and achieve the goals of the Kingdom’s Vision 2030 reform plan, he said.

Vision 2030 “looks forward to the future,” and seeks to place Saudi Arabia “at the forefront of countries with continuous follow-up, guidance and support from King Salman,” the crown prince added. “This special occasion requires us to thank God for His generosity toward our country to serve the Two Holy Mosques and care for Hajj and Umrah pilgrims and visitors,” he said. “That care was reflected in the great success of the last Hajj season and God’s continuous blessings to the Saudi government and its hospitable people,” as well as “its continuous concern for sustained development of holy lands and services” in order to ensure that pilgrimages can be performed with ease, he added.



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King Salman tweet about National day



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Following

الحمد لله الذي مَنَّ على بلادنا بنعمة الأمن والأمان والاستقرار،
وأكرمنا بخدمة الحرمين الشريفين.
نتطلع مع ذكرى يومنا الوطني المجيد إلى مزيد من الإنجاز
لتحقيق الخير والازدهار للوطن وشعبه.

“Praise be to Allah, who blessed our country with the grace of security, safety and stability, and honored us with the service of the Two Holy Mosques. We look forward with the memory of our glorious national day to further achievement for the good and prosperity of the nation and its people”.

The Kingdom's Celebrations For The 88th National Day Has Made It To Guinness World Records

Saudi has achieved its Guinness World Record this year for the largest display of fireworks ever accomplished around the world.

The record-breaking is a result of the National Day celebrations, in which the Kingdom set off 900,000 fireworks, simultaneously around the Kingdom.

Saudi also entered the Guinness for the largest national flag

The Kingdom set out to have the largest flag in the world- that measured 400 metres by 350 metres, in the air and used lasers on 300 drones to trace its emblems.



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The Embassy of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia to the Kingdom of Belgium and the Duchy of Luxembourg and the Saudi Mission to the European Union hold a reception on the occasion of the 88th National Day

H.E. Abdulrahman Al AHMED, Ambassador of the Custodian of the Two Holy Mosques to the Kingdom of Belgium and the Duchy of Luxembourg and H.E. Saad Alarify, head of the Saudi Mission to the the European Union, hosted on September, 24 2018 at the Saudi Embassy in Brussels, a reception on the occasion of the 88th Saudi National Day. The meeting was attended by H.E. Dr. Kunio Mikuriya, Secretary General of the World Customs Organization, and H.E. Ambassador Raoul Delcorde, Director General for Middle East and North Africa Affairs at the Belgian Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Also notable among attendees were senior civilian and military officials, leaders of political parties, Heads of Diplomatic Missions accredited to the Kingdom of Belgium and to EU, the World Customs Organization, the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO), the NATO Parliamentary Assembly, a number of members of the Belgian and European Parliament, attachés, the staff of the Embassy and its affiliated offices, and Saudi students residing in Belgium and Luxembourg. In addition, a number of the Belgian society figures (academics, media professionals, businessmen) were among the attendees, as well as members of the Arab community living in Brussels. Attendees expressed their congratulations to the Government and people of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia on this happy occasion, and their appreciation for the pioneering role the kingdom plays at the regional and international levels. The ceremony included the presentation of documentary programs and photo exhibition that highlight the historical relations between the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and the Kingdom of Belgium, as well as the developmental achievements accomplished by the Kingdom and the development, sophistication, security and stability it has witnessed under its wise Leadership .During the ceremony, the Embassy distributed books, leaflets and photographs that highlight the developmental efforts and the comprehensive renaissance witnessed by the Kingdom at various levels.



