ASE won the AFCMs' Annual Award for 2025 as the Best-Performing Arab Stock Exchange

- **ASE General Index rose 45.1% in 2025, reaching 3,611.6 points, its highest level since 2007**
- **ASE ranked 13th globally, according to Bloomberg data on financial market performance**
- **Market Capitalisation rose 50.1% to about JD26.5 billion**
- **Trading Volume increased 80.6%, while average daily trading value doubled to JD8.8 million**

The Amman Stock Exchange (ASE) has received the Arab Federation of Captal Markets (AFCM) Annual Award for 2025 as the best-performing Arab stock exchange in terms of the growth of its price index. ASE CEO Mazen Wathaifi received the federation's award during its 2026 annual meeting and conference, which was held in Abu Dhabi on September 29-30, in cooperation with the Abu Dhabi Securities Exchange.

The award recognizes the ASE's strong performance in 2025, which saw it rank first among Arab stock exchanges and 13th globally, according to Bloomberg data on financial market performance. General Index (ASEGI) rose %45.1 to 3,611.6 points, up from 2,488.8 points at the end of 2024, marking its highest level since 2007.

The ASE Total Return Index (ASETR) also rose by %58.52, while the market capitalization of listed shares increased by %50.1 to about JD26.5 billion, recording its highest annual growth rate since 2005. Trading volume increased by %80.6, while average daily trading volume rose from JD4.4 million to JD8.8 million.

Wathaifi attributed the exchange's performance in 2025 to the positive trajectory of the national economy and its resilience and ability to adapt to and overcome challenges, despite difficult regional and global conditions and continued uncertainty.

He said the results also reflected a clear improvement in the investment environment, supported by government measures aimed at stimulating economic sectors, supporting growth and investment, strengthening Jordan's position as an attractive regional and international investment destination, and implementing major projects and initiatives under the Economic Modernization Vision.

He also pointed to positive macroeconomic indicators, including positive growth rates recorded by a number of economic sectors, higher exports, investment and remittances from Jordanians abroad, contained inflation, and foreign reserves reaching nearly JD28.4 billion, in addition to political, monetary and fiscal stability.

The strong performance of listed companies also contributed to the results, with their net profits rising %12.9 in 2025, representing the second-highest annual profit level recorded by companies listed on the ASE. Also highlighted government measures aimed at boosting trading activity and market liquidity, including allowing investors seeking Jordanian citizenship to move their investments within the ASE, exempting mutual investment funds from taxation, reducing brokerage commissions and extending trading hours.

He added that the market's performance was further supported by its regulatory and technical infrastructure, which he described as being aligned with international standards and practices, as well as cooperation among the Jordan Securities Commission, the Securities Depository Centre, listed companies and financial services firms. The ASE would continue working to develop Jordan's financial market, enhance its competitiveness and attractiveness to local and foreign investors, upgrading its electronic systems and regulatory and technical frameworks, and implementing projects under the Economic Modernization Vision and its strategic plan.

He noted that the ASE has maintained its positive performance, supported by continued economic growth. As of the end of September 29, the ASE General Index had risen %15.7 since the beginning of the year while the Total Return Index increased %20.1. The market capitalization of listed shares rose %14.5. Listed companies recorded their second-highest historical first-half profits, with net profits increasing %14.3 compared with the same period in 2025. Trading volume rose %65.3, while average daily trading value increased from JD8.8 million to JD13.4 million.

Wathaifi stated that the award represents significant recognition of the efforts made by the Amman Stock Exchange and market institutions to develop regulatory and technical frameworks and enhance performance, thereby strengthening their standing within Arab and global financial markets. He emphasized that this achievement reflects investor confidence in the market and the national economy, the efficiency of the operational systems within the exchange and the national capital market, and a steadfast commitment to improving the investment environment and elevating the quality of financial services and products offered.

It is worth noting that the conference drew broad participation from leaders of Arab stock exchanges and capital market institutions, regulatory bodies, clearing, and settlement institutions, as well as brokerage firms, asset managers, and investors. It also brought together a distinguished group of experts and decision-makers from regional and international markets, serving as a platform to exchange expertise and perspectives on the latest developments and trends in the capital market industry, and to explore ways to enhance market efficiency and competitiveness while upgrading market infrastructure.

