Statement of Jordan on The fifty-seventh annual session of the Joint Advisory Group of the (ITC) 20 July 2023 Starting at 9:30 a.m. in room S1 at WTO building

Excellencies,

Distinguished delegates,

Director-General, Ms. Ngozi Okonjo-Iweala, Secretary General Ms. Rebeca Grynspan, Executive Director Ms. Pamela Coke-Hamilton, distinguished Ambassadors.

I would like to start by joining other delegations in congratulating Ambassador H.E. Ms. Nadia Theodore, Permanent Representative of Canada to the WTO on her appointment as the Chair of the 57th Joint Advisory Group.

I would also like to extend our appreciation to all Donors and to Executive Director Coke-Hamilton and the ITC Secretariat for their hard work, including the publication of the Annual Report, and for the technical assistances provided.

Furthermore, We appreciate the ITC's continues to play an important role in cooperation with Donors and other organizations especially the WTO, and UNCTAD in better integrating LDCs and Developing countries in the world economy and realizing sustainable development.
We believe that technical assistances remains one of the main tools to help build trade capacity and human resources for LDCs and Developing countries especially in these challenging times.

We are confident the ITC future plans and vision will maximizing MSMEs contribution to the Global GDP, with a sharper focus on competitiveness and trade to the achievement of the SDGs.

Jordan commends the ITC for its work and appreciates the cooperation and support provided through the technical assistance programs, especially the current project, which aims at improving the international competitiveness of the textile and clothing sector in Jordan.

Also, we acknowledge ITC’s endeavors by providing a magnificent database on foreign trade statistics, and trade prospects, market access, and online trade facilitation portal under Trade for Employment Project ‘Improving Business Environment for SMEs through Trade Facilitation’ to boost reforms by digitalizing information and automating processes, and we always look forward to future cooperation with the ITC.
To conclude, I would like to once again congratulate the ITC for its positive contributions to inclusive and sustainable growth. We look forward to working with the ITC and other partners.

Thank you once again.