

Syrian-German Talks on Cooperation in Drinking Water and Waste Disposal

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Damascus - Assistant Minister of Housing and Construction Dr. Kamal al-Sheikha discussed on Tuesday with Head of the Middle East Department at the German Federal Ministry of Economic Cooperation and Development Andreas Gies and an accompanying delegation the stages of carrying out the Syrian-German cooperation program in the fields of drinking water and drainage networks.

Al-Sheikha underlined the remarkable improvement in cooperation in the fields of drinking water and drainage networks, praising the German efforts in supporting the Ministry of Housing and Construction to achieve its goals.

He also stressed the need to participate actively in planning, managing and financing joint cooperation and the importance of benefiting from the capabilities of German companies.

In turn, Geis expressed his country's readiness to provide required aid, pointing out that the cooperation program includes loans and grants to finance infrastructure developmental programs that focus on Syria's priorities and developmental needs.

He added that cooperation with Syria is based on the economic reform, in addition to cooperation in the field of water, sustainable development program, renewable energies, regional projects, economic studies, management of water resourced, and supporting ACSAD center.

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