

Bahrain committed to stronger Arab unity and regional security: HRH Prince Salman

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Bahrain remains steadfast in its commitment to strengthening joint Arab action and collaboration under the leadership of His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa, the Supreme Commander of the Armed Forces, said His Royal Highness Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, the Crown Prince, Deputy Supreme Commander of the Armed Forces, and Prime Minister.

"Such cooperation ensures that Arab nations continue to address regional and international developments diligently, while fulfilling the aspirations of their peoples for greater progress and prosperity," HRH Prince Salman said. The re-



marks came as His Royal Highness met His Royal Highness Prince Turki bin Faisal bin Abdulaziz Al Saud, Chairman of the King Faisal Center for Research and Islamic Studies, along with senior delegates from the Gulf Cooperation

Council (GCC) and other Arab countries attending the 21st IISS Manama Dialogue 2025. HRH Prince Salman highlighted the importance of building on past achievements to reinforce Arab unity and coordination in support of regional security,

stability, and sustainable development.

The Crown Prince, Deputy Supreme Commander of the Armed Forces, and Prime Minister also reiterated the significance of regional security and the GCC's vital role in safe-

guarding stability and advancing global economic growth, commending allied nations for their collective efforts to enhance peace and cooperation.

Participants also discussed issues of mutual interest and matters related to the Mana-

ma Dialogue 2025. HRH Prince Turki and the senior delegates expressed their gratitude for the opportunity to meet with His Royal Highness and commended Bahrain's continued success in hosting this important international security forum. His Highness Lieutenant-General Shaikh Nasser bin Hamad Al Khalifa, National Security Advisor and Commander of the Royal Guard, His Highness Shaikh Mohammed bin Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, His Excellency Dr Abdullatif bin Rashid Al Zayani, Minister of Foreign Affairs, and His Excellency Shaikh Salman bin Khalifa Al Khalifa, Minister of Finance and National Economy, along with several officials, also attended the meeting.

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Bringing Bahrain once again to the centre of global attention, the 21st edition of the IISS Manama Dialogue 2025 opened yesterday, drawing together ministers, policymakers, and strategic thinkers from around the world to tackle the Middle East's most urgent foreign policy, defence, and security challenges.

In his opening address, His Highness Lieutenant General Shaikh Nasser bin Hamad Al



Khalifa, the National Security Adviser and Royal Guard Commander, called on all regional and international partners "to reaffirm their shared commitment to dialogue over division, and cooperation over confrontation."

His Highness highlighted that the recent positive developments, particularly the Gaza peace plan — achieved through the efforts of the US administration and supported by constructive mediation — have opened a new window of opportunity for regional stability and joint cooperation.

While welcoming these encouraging signs, His Highness cautioned against destabilising actions that seek to undermine stability and prosperity, noting that such behaviour hinders reconstruction and reconciliation at a time when unity and collaboration are most essential.

The Middle East, Shaikh Nasser stressed, stands at a defining moment shaped by both new opportunities and persistent challenges. "Wise leadership, mutual respect, and a shared vision for stability are the pillars that can guide the region confidently toward a future of

peace, opportunity, and lasting prosperity for all," HH said.

His Highness emphasised that under the wise leadership and far-sighted vision of His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa, Bahrain continues to uphold the principles of co-existence and dialogue as the foundation of effective diplomacy and constructive regional engagement.

"This steadfast commitment is the key to overcoming the region's complexities and contributing meaningfully to collective progress," Shaikh Nasser added.

HH Shaikh Nasser also underlined Bahrain's appreciation for the participation of countries and organisations from around the world, noting that their presence reflects the deep-rooted spirit of cooperation that defines their shared relations.

His Highness expressed gratitude to Dr Bastian Giegerich, the Director-General and Chief Executive of The International Institute for Strategic Studies (IISS), and Mr Sammy Sampson, Executive Director of IISS-Middle East, for their dedicated efforts in preparing and organising the dialogue.

HH Shaikh Nasser attends 10th anniversary celebration of The King's Trust International

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His Highness Shaikh Nasser bin Hamad Al Khalifa, Representative of His Majesty the King for Humanitarian Work and Youth Affairs and member of The King's Trust International, attended the 10th anniversary celebration of the Trust, held in the presence of His Majesty King Charles III of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, founder of the organisation.

During the celebration, His Highness met with His Majesty King Charles III and discussed the active role of young people in shaping the future, the importance of supporting and empowering them, and the need to create environments that foster their creativity and leadership.

His Highness said The King's Trust International is a leading platform for empowering young people through effective programmes and partnerships that help them develop their skills and turn them into tangible achievements.



The IISS Manama Dialogue continues today and tomorrow, featuring leaders and experts