

High-Level Kuwaiti Parliamentary Friendship Group Visit to Vienna City Council & Austrian Parliament

24 – 25 January 2024 – Vienna, Austria



In cooperation with the **Embassy of the State of Kuwait in Vienna**, the **Austro-Arab Chamber of Commerce** facilitated the visit of a high-level **Kuwait Parliamentary Friendship Group** to Vienna and co-organised meetings at the **Vienna City Council** and the **Austrian Parliament** from 24th -25th of January 2024.

The delegation was headed by **H.E. Mr. Osama AlZeid**, and further comprised of **Mr. Shuaib Qasem**, **Mr. Hamad AlOlayan** and **Mr. Abdelwahab Alessa**, all of them distinguished members of the Kuwaiti Parliament.

The visit commenced on 24 January 2024 with an **official welcome and reception at the Vienna City Council** for the high-level delegates, accompanied by **His Excellency Mr. Talal Alfassam**, the Ambassador of the State of Kuwait to Austria, together with **AACC Secretary General Eng. Mouddar Khouja**, in addition to embassy staff and media representatives. Coordinated with the support of **DI Omar Al-Rawi**, Member of the State Parliament and Vienna City Council of Vienna, as well as member of the AACC Board of Directors and **H.E. Former Minister Dr. Werner Fasslabend**, Former Minister and AACC President, the delegates were welcomed as guests of honor to attend a session of the Vienna City Council from the VIP box of the meeting hall. After that, the delegation had the honor of meeting with **Mag. Thomas Reindl**, the Head of the Vienna City Council, to engage in insightful conversations.



Another key highlight included meetings on 25 January 2024 at the **Austrian Parliament**, where the Kuwaiti delegation was received for meetings and discussions with **Dr. Christoph Matznetter**, Chairman of the Committee of Foreign Policy and Member of the National Council, and Member of the AACC's Board of Directors. Additionally, the delegation had the opportunity to explore the Austrian Parliament. The program also included a productive meeting with **Dr. Rudolf Taschner**, Chairman of the Committee of Education and Member of the National Council, focusing on potential collaborations in the field of education.

