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**Dr. Mechtild Rössler**  
**Director of World Heritage Center**  
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**Subject : state of conservation report of Petra**

**Dear Excellency,**

In response to Decision 42 COM 7B.54 regarding Petra World Heritage Site (C 326)  
Please find enclosed two hard copies and two soft copies of the State of Conservation Report  
for Petra, as well as the Integrated Management Plan that was endorsed recently.

Please accept Your Excellency the assurance of our highest consideration.

Sincerely yours,

**Yazid H. Elyan**

Director General  
Department of Antiquities

**Dr. Suleiman Farajat**

Chief Commissioners  
Petra Development & Tourism  
Region Authority



# Petra World Heritage Site

## State of Conservation Report

Progress and Achievements 2018/2019

Prepared by: Petra Development and Tourism Regional Authority

The Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan



## Executive Summery

This report comes in response to the Decision Adopted 42 COM 7B.54, adopted at its 42nd session (Bahrain, 2018), and recalling Decision 41 COM 7B.80, adopted at its 41th session (Krakow, 2017). The State Party represented by the joint work of the Petra Development and Tourism Region Authority (PDTRA) and the Department of Antiquities of Jordan (DoA) followed up with all the points raised in the said decisions and recalling all recommendations from the joint reactive monitoring mission in 2017, the State Party worked relentlessly and in close cooperation with its partners to enhance the protection of the Petra World Heritage Site and to ensure the protection of its Outstanding Universal Value.

This report comes during a progress period during 2018 and 2019 of good achievements on the ground and concluded with the unprecedented success in producing for the first time the Petra Integrated Management Plan that was launched on 26 November 2019. This report responds to the points of the Decision Adopted 42 COM 7B.54 in its commendations, recommendations, and requests by which the State Party took serious actions and immediate substantive measures.

## **Petra World Heritage Site**

### **State of Conservation Report**

### **Progress and Achievements 2020 - Succinct updates**

**Prepared by: Petra Development and Tourism Regional Authority**

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## **Petra World Heritage Site – Property Data**

**State Party:** The Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan

**Identification Number:** 326

**Year of inscription on the List of World Heritage:** 1985

**Type of Property:** Cultural

**Geographic Information (lat/long):** 30 °19'50"N, 35 °26'36"E

**Area:** 264 square kilometers

### **Government Institutions Responsible for the Property:**

- Petra Development and Tourism Region Authority (PDTRA – management jurisdiction)  
Located in the Governorate of Ma'an, Jordan.
- Department of Antiquities (DOA)/Ministry of Tourism and Antiquities (MOTA)

**Criteria:** (i), (iii), (iv)

### **Previous Committee Decisions:**

1994, 1995, 1996, 1997, 1998, 2000, 2001, 2010, 2011, 2013, 2015, 2017, 2018

### **Previous monitoring missions:**

2000: ICOMOS Mission

2004: UNESCO Mission

2009: UNESCO Technical Expert Missions

2010: World Heritage Centre/ICOMOS Reactive Monitoring Mission

2017: World Heritage Centre/ICOMOS/IUCN

## **Executive Summery**

Based on the 14th extraordinary session of the World Heritage Committee, this report comes in response to a request to provide a succinct update on any significant changes to the property's state of conservation since the submission of the last State Party report of 28 November 2019.

In the Decision 42 COM 7B.54, adopted at its 42nd session (Bahrain, 2018), and recalling Decision 41 COM 7B.80, adopted at its 41th session (Krakow, 2017). The State Party represented by the joint work of the Petra Development and Tourism Region Authority (PDTRA) and the Department of Antiquities of Jordan (DoA) followed up with all the points raised in the said decisions and, recalling all recommendations from the joint reactive monitoring mission in 2017, the State Party worked relentlessly and in close cooperation with its partners to enhance the protection of the Petra World Heritage Site and to ensure the protection of its Outstanding Universal Value.

In the previous SOC report 2019, PDTRA highlighted its good progress and achievements on the ground during 2018 and 2019 and concluded with the unprecedented success in producing for the first time the Petra Integrated Management Plan in cooperation with UNESCO and many other stakeholders, which was launched on 26 November 2019. The report responded to the points of the Decision 42 COM 7B.54 in its commendations, recommendations, and requests by which the State Party took serious actions and immediate substantive measures.

In this new brief report, PDTRA covered all the achievements during 2020, especially after the severe impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. PDTRA has achieved outstanding work on the ground focusing on solving major issues related to accessibility inside the site, risk mitigation, and other strategic issues highlighted in this report.