



HRH Princess Ghida Talal

Chairperson, Board of Trustees

King Hussein Cancer Foundation and Center

After graduating from Georgetown University's School of Foreign Service (BSFS/MSFS), HRH Princess Ghida Talal pursued a career in journalism in London. In 1991, she married HRH Prince Talal Bin Muhammad of Jordan. Soon after, the late King Hussein asked her to set up the International Press Office of the Royal Hashemite Court and to be his Press Secretary.

When King Hussein passed away from cancer, Princess Ghida decided to pursue her true calling, her true passion: The fight against cancer. HM King Abdullah II appointed her as the Chairperson of the King Hussein Cancer Foundation in October 2001.

Princess Ghida, the wife of a cancer survivor, is a tireless advocate and fundraiser for the King Hussein Cancer Center and Foundation. During the past 14 years, she has led the transformation of the Center and the Foundation into a comprehensive, state of art, internationally accredited institution providing the most advanced cancer care to thousands of patients from all over the Middle East.

Princess Ghida represented Jordan at the United Nations in 2011 and addressed the UN General Assembly's High Level Meeting on Non-Communicable Diseases (NCDs), where she joined world leaders in calling for urgent and immediate action on NCDs.

Princess Ghida serves on many distinctive boards internationally and in Jordan and is dedicated to making a lasting impact on communities everywhere. Some of the various boards she serves on are:

- The Institute of International Education (IIE), New York
- Georgetown University, Board of Regents – 2 terms
- Georgetown University, Board member, Master of Science in Foreign Service Program
- Jordan Society for Pediatric Oncology, Jordan, Honorary Chairperson
- Mediterranean Task Force for Cancer Control (MTCC)

Princess Ghida - born Ghida Hany Salaam to a leading political family in Lebanon - lives in Jordan with her husband HRH Prince Talal bin Muhammad and their three children: HRH Prince Hussein bin Talal (born 1999) and twins HRH Princess Rajaa bint Talal and HRH Prince Muhammad bin Talal (born 2001).

