

[Israeli Bar Association holding elections](#)

RAMALLAH: Elections for the Israeli Bar Association were held Tuesday against the backdrop of controversial judicial reforms.

The two strongest candidates for the chairmanship of association are Amit Becher, the interim head of the organization and head of the "Hope for the IBA" slate, and its former chairman, Efi Nave.

[Trial begins of 9 suspects accused of killing 4 police officers during riots in Jordan](#)

AMMAN: The trial of nine suspects accused of killing four police officers during riots in Jordan last December began at the country's State Security Court on Tuesday.

The officers died during rioting and acts of terrorism in the southern city of Maan, on the Desert Highway, between Dec.16 and 19, 2022, according to police reports. Col. Abdelrazzaq Dalabeeh was shot and killed while he and fellow officers attempted to restore order in Al-Husseinieh district. He was posthumously awarded an honorable promotion to the rank of brigadier.

[Fewer than 1 percent of Syrian refugees in Jordan want to return home: UNHCR study](#)

AMMAN: As Jordan steps up efforts to prepare for a voluntary return of Syrian refugees, a UNHCR study found that only 0.8 percent of them are willing to go back home.

According to the recently published survey by the UN refugee agency, the majority of Syrian refugees in Jordan prefer to stay in the resource-poor kingdom.

The survey revealed that around 97 percent of Syrian refugees in Jordan have no intention of going back home in the coming 12 months, attributing the reasons to security and economic concerns, including a lack of housing and basic amenities in Syria.

[UN experts condemn Houthis for abducting Baha'is, demand their release](#)

AL-MUKALLA: A group of UN experts has expressed concern that more than a dozen Yemenis from the Baha'i religious minority being held by the Houthis face a high risk of torture, other human rights violations and even death.

[UAE named country most young Arabs would want to live in](#)

DUBAI: For the 12th consecutive year, the UAE has been voted the country where most young Arabs would want to live, Emirates News Agency reported on Tuesday.

The Arab Youth survey found Arabs aged 18 to 24 also named the UAE as the country they would most want their own nations to emulate.

The annual survey, conducted by communications consultancy ASDA'A BCW, is the largest study of its kind of the Arab world's largest demographic, with over 200 million youth.