

## **Our New Lebanon presents**

## Former Minister Mr. Melhem Riachy

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"We strive to preserve Lebanon as a model of freedom and democracy. We work to promote peace, neutrality, freedom of religion, and free speech. We support economic liberty and political independence. To strengthen and expand the US-Lebanon relationship in ways that enhances the security of both countries. To educate and guide decision-makers on the bonds that unite the two countries and matters of interest to the Lebanese American Community". ~Our New Lebanon

Mr. Melhem Riachy is a writer, a journalist, and a researcher in Middle East Affairs and comparative religions, having several studies in this field. He is a consultant in political affairs and strategic negotiations, a professor of Geostrategic communication in the Holy Spirit University - Kaslik.

Mr. Riachy was the Minister of Information from 2016 to 2018.

From 2012 until 2016 he occupied the post of chairperson of the communication department of the Lebanese Forces Party.

Mr. Riachy was designated as the special envoy of President of the Lebanese Forces Samir Geagea to President Michel Aoun, and he succeeded in cooperation with MP Ibrahim Kanaan (FPM) to reach a "historic" agreement with the Free Patriotic Movement, that was signed by Michel Aoun and Samir Geagea in the 2nd of June 2015, known as the "Declaration of intentions between the Free Patriotic Movement

2015, known as the "Declaration of intentions between the Free Patriotic Movement and the Lebanese Forces". This declaration was considered as an ending of thirty years of conflict between Christians.

Mr. Riachy is an activist in social work (President of the fourth region in Metn in "Caritas-Liban" for seven years).

Mr. Riachy has many studies about the Levant issue, and several books: "Leaders & catastrophe" (1994), "Judas Iscariot, the innocent traitor" (in three languages) (1995), "The Psalms of a prisoner" (1997), "The passage" (1998), "The 2000 elections" (2000), "The Well" (2003), "The guard of the tomb" (2007), "The book of reproach" (2016). Most of his books were issued by "Dar An-Nahar" and recently by "SA'ER Al Mashreq" & "L'Harmattan" Publishing Houses.

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