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Speaker Series

Z I Y A D B A R O U D



Date:

February 21, 2020

Time:

12:00 PM Pacific

10:00 PM Beirut

Place: Zoom

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PROFILE

Ziyad Baroud is the former Minister of Interior and Municipalities (MoIM) of the Republic of Lebanon between 2008 and 2011 in two cabinets. Under his leadership, the MoIM was awarded the 2010 United Nations Public Service Award First Prize. A court lawyer, Managing Partner at HBD-T Law Firm and arbitrator, Me. Baroud is lecturer at the Faculty of Law of Université Saint-Joseph and has a number of publications on subjects related to local governance, decentralization, human rights, and other political and legal issues. He also worked as Senior Advisor with Booz and Co. and is the consultant to various UN Agencies and the World Bank in Lebanon. In 2004, he was elected Secretary General of the Lebanese Association for Democratic Elections. He has served as Board Member of the Lebanese Chapter of Transparency International. He also sits on the Board of Notre-Dame University (NDU) and the Academic University for Non-Violence and Human Rights (AUNOHR). Former Minister Baroud was the Chairperson of the Special (governmental) Commission on Decentralization in 2013 which prepared the draft law that is currently discussed at the Parliament. Back in 2005, he was appointed by the Council of Ministers member of the blue ribbon Lebanese National Commission on Electoral Reform. Ziyad Baroud has received several awards, including the "Grand Officier de l'Ordre National du Cèdre", "Grand Officier de L'Ordre National du Mérite de la République Française", the International Foundation for Electoral Systems (IFES) 2010 Manatt Democracy Award for his commitment to freedom and democracy, the "Officier de la Légion d'Honneur" by the French President Nicolas Sarkozy, the "Commandeur de Numéro de l'Ordre Civil du Mérite" by the King of Spain Juan Carlos I, and the "Order of the Star of Italy" in the rank of Commander.. Born in 1970, Me. Baroud holds a master degree in law from Université Saint Joseph and pursued his doctoral studies in Paris.

Q/A

Please prepare your questions in advance and send them to rania@ournewlebanon.org no later than Saturday, January 30th at 10 pm.

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