



Our New Lebanon

Speaker Series

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Date:

Sun. Aug 7, 2022

Time:

12:00 PM Pacific

3:00 PM Eastern

10:00 PM Beirut

Place: Zoom

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Lebanon at a Crossroad: How to Get Out of the Economic Crisis?

PROFILE

Dr. Saade Chami has been Lebanon's Deputy Prime Minister since September 2021. Before that, he was Group Chief Economist for the National Bank of Kuwait since 2018. Dr. Chami had served as Secretary General of the Capital Markets Authority of Lebanon for more than four years. Dr. Chami spent most of his professional career (20 years) at the International Monetary Fund (IMF) where he became Assistant Director in the Middle East and Central Asia Department and the Coordinator of the IMF Middle East Technical Assistance Center. Dr. Chami started his career at the American University of Beirut (AUB) teaching Economics and Finance and served as director of the AUB business school before joining the IMF. He held several advisory positions including with the central bank of Lebanon, and Mckynsey Company. Dr. Chami main expertise are in the areas of macroeconomic and financial sector issues and policies. Throughout his career at the International Monetary Fund (IMF), his focus was on economic policymaking, and the design of comprehensive economic and financial reform programs and strategies for member countries. The Lebanese government appointed Dr. Chami as the head of a negotiating team with the IMF. On April 7, 2022, the negotiating team reached a staff-level agreement with the IMF on a comprehensive reform package that could put Lebanon on the right path toward recovery.

Q/A

Please prepare your questions in advance and send them to ferris@ournewlebanon.org by Saturday, July 30th at 10 pm.

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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."