



## Speaker Series

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Date:

Sun. Sept 25, 2022

Time:

12:00 PM Pacific

3:00 PM Eastern

10:00 PM Beirut

Place: Zoom

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## Her Presidential Candidacy

### PROFILE

May Rihani has been an expert in international development for the past 35 years. She served as the Director of the Gibran Khalil Gibran Endowed Chair at the University of Maryland from 2016 to 2020. She also served as the Co-Chair of the United Nations Girls' Education Initiative from 2008 to 2010. In addition, she served as Senior Vice President at FHI360, the Academy for Educational Development, and Creative Associates International, and as Vice President at TransCentury between 1980 and 2014, where she was responsible for ensuring the planning and implementation of educational reform projects as well as the integration of these programs into education with economic productivity. She designed, planned, and managed numerous cross-cutting educational projects in Africa, Asia, and the Middle East. Ms. Rihani worked in over 40 countries and traveled to 71 countries. Her in-depth knowledge of educational reform has attracted the attention of many donors, including the World Bank, USAID, and many UN agencies. In addition to her work in international development, May Rihani is an activist and a leader within the Lebanese American community. She is the Director of the Bureau of the World Lebanese Cultural Union in Washington, DC, a member of the Steering Committee of the Lebanese American Coordinating Committee (LACC), a member of the Board of the Ameen Rihani Organization, as well as a Board Member of four other Lebanese or Lebanese American organizations. She wrote and published eight books in English and three books in Arabic. One of her books, *Learning for the 21st Century*, has been translated into three languages. Her latest book, a memoir, is titled *Cultures Without Borders*. Ms. Rihani has won several Lebanese, American, and international awards.

### Q / A

Please prepare your questions in advance and send them to [ferris@ournewlebanon.org](mailto:ferris@ournewlebanon.org) by Saturday, Sept 24 at 10 pm.

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