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Setting the Agenda: The Experience of LCPS in Influencing Policymaking in Lebanon

by Mr. Sami Atallah

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Issam Fares Institute (Green Oval), Auditorium – AUB

Sami Atallah, who is trained in economics and political science, is the director of the Lebanese Center for Policy Studies (LCPS). Prior to joining LCPS, he served as a consultant for the World Bank, the European Union and the United Nations Development Program in Lebanon and Syria. Atallah also served as an advisor for the Lebanese Ministries of Finance, Industry, and Interior and Municipalities, as well as in the Prime Minister's Office. In addition, he taught economics and political economy at the American University of Beirut (AUB).

At LCPS, he is currently leading several policy studies on the governance of the gas sector, electoral behavior, monitoring the Parliament and political parties, economic diversification and industrial policy, and decentralization and service delivery. From November 2012 till April 2014, Atallah served on the Committee established by the Lebanese Prime Minister to draft a decentralization law.

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Note: Event will be in English