



The Observatory on Public Service and Good Governance (OFP)
at Saint Joseph University of Beirut (USJ),

In partnership with
**The Lebanese Army and
Beirut Builders Lions Club**

Cordially invites you to the seminar:

Oceans and seas between good governance and geopolitical competition

Monday, December 18th, 2023

8:00 AM - 2:00 PM

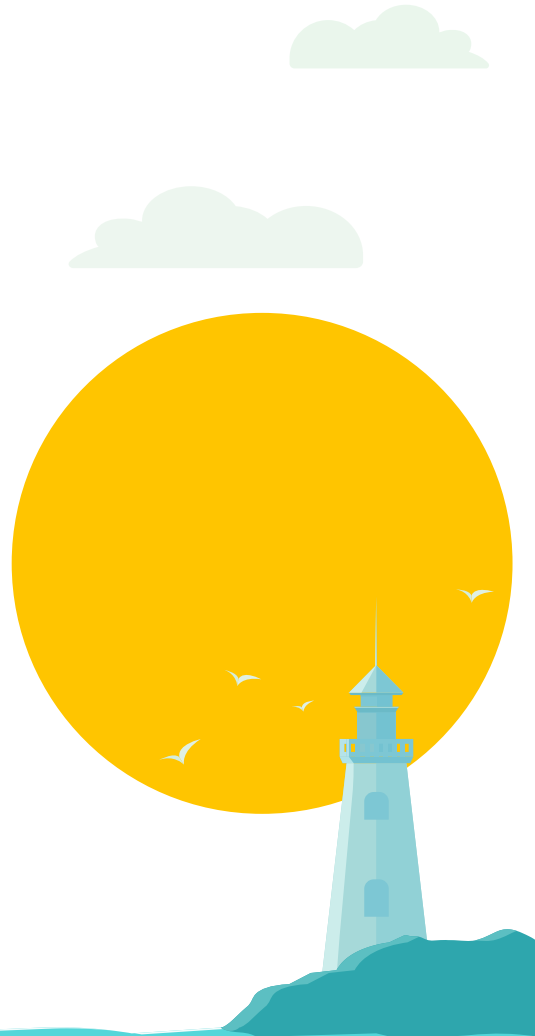
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Program

8:00-9:00 Arrival / Registration

9:00-9:30 Opening Session

Prof. Pascal Monin | *Director of the Observatory on Public Service and Good Governance at Saint Joseph University of Beirut*

General Mansour Zgheib | *President of the Research and Strategic Studies Center at the Lebanese Army*

Dr. Mohamad Kobrosli | *Charter President of the Beirut Builders Lions Club*

9:30-11:00 Round table 1 | Gas and Oil Conflicts: Between the Geopolitical, Legal Perspectives and Good Governance

Speakers

Dr. Sami Nader | *Director of the Institute of Political Sciences at Saint Joseph University of Beirut*

Geopolitics of Energy and its Implications on International Relations

Prof. Rizk Zgheib | *Attorney-at-Law, Associate Professor at the Faculty of Law and Political Sciences at Saint-Joseph University of Beirut*

The required legislations to ensure governance in the management of the Lebanese maritime domain

Dr. Marie Line Karam | *Legal advisor of the Research and Strategic Studies Center at the Lebanese Army*

Means of prevention and resolution of Maritime disputes

Dr. Mona Soukarieh | *Oil and gaz expert*

The Role of the East Mediterranean Gas Organization in Achieving European Energy Security

Moderator

Dr. Charbel Maroun | *Teacher at Saint Joseph University of Beirut and Journalist*

Questions & debates

11:00-11:30 Coffee Break

11:30-13:00 Round table 2 | Ocean Governance and Maritime Awareness

Speakers

Admiral Mazen Basbous | *Research and Strategic Studies Center at the Lebanese Army
The Lebanese Israeli maritime agreement and averting potential future disputes*

Captain Navy Mazen Sakr | *Lebanese General Security
Safety and security of offshore platforms*

Mrs. Christina Abi Haidar | *Attorney-at-Law, governance and development specialist
environmental and energy legal expert
The role of Good Governance in resolving maritime disputes*

Mr. Fares Abi Khalil | *Lawyer, Beirut Builders Lions Club
Safety and Environmental Sustainability in Offshore Oil and Gas Operations*

Moderator

Mrs. Diana Al Kayssi | *Energy governance expert, director of civil society engagement
at the International Republican Institute (IRI)*

Questions & debates

13:00-13:15 Closing Session

General Mansour Zgheib | *President of the Research and Strategic Studies Center at
the Lebanese Army*

Dr. Mehiedine El Chehimi | *Professor at the Paris Business School and Governance
consulting analyst at Centre International de formation européenne (CIFE)*

Prof. Pascal Monin | *Director of the Observatory on Public Service and Good Governance
at Saint Joseph University of Beirut*

13:15-14:00 Cocktail