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Mayssoun Azzam

Mayssoun Azzam is one of the most prominent media figures in the Arab world. She works at the Dubai-based Al Arabiya news channel as a news presenter, program anchor, interviewer, and lecturer. She is currently hosting a new program titled “Khat Al Muwajaha” (Line of Confrontation). Mayssoun has interviewed prominent figures and decision-makers. Her professionalism has also led her to work as an instructor at the American University in Dubai. She focuses her work on humanitarian issues and plays a key role in promoting UN and humanitarian organization campaigns. She has participated in numerous conferences as a moderator and published political and social articles on AlArabiya.net. Mayssoun has received several awards, including the “Atwar Bahjat Award”, “Best TV Presenter in Using Social Media for Social Affairs,” “Best Media Influencer on Humanitarian Issues,” and the “Excellence Award in Media” at the Arab Women’s Festival (2025). She was also chosen as a media supporter for the “Josour” initiative launched by ESCWA at the first Arab Forum for Equality in 2022.



Wellington Dias

José Wellington Barroso de Araújo Dias is a Brazilian politician, writer, and former bank employee with a long-standing career in public service and social activism. He studied Public Policy and Government at the Federal University of Rio de Janeiro and has pursued further specialization abroad. A founding member of the Workers' Party (PT) in Piauí, he began his career in labor unions, serving as president of both the Caixa Econômica Federal Employees' Association and the Bank Workers' Union of Piauí.

Wellington Dias began his political trajectory as a city councilor in Teresina in 1992, and later as a state and federal deputy. He was elected Governor of Piauí four times (2002, 2006, 2014, 2018), achieving notable advances in education, healthcare, and formal employment. He also served as a Senator and was a prominent leader during the COVID-19 pandemic, coordinating vaccination and recovery efforts through the Northeast Consortium. In 2022, he was elected to the Federal Senate and was a key figure in Lula’s presidential campaign. He is also an award-winning author of short stories and plays.



Hans Peter Lankes

Hans Peter Lankes is the Managing Director and Deputy Chief Executive of ODI Global, a global think tank. He is also a visiting professor in practice at the LSE Grantham Research Institute and a senior fellow at the LSE/Oxford International Growth Centre. His recent work has focused on development and climate finance, including as a member of the G20 panel on MDB capital adequacy, and of the secretariat for the G20 Independent Expert Group on MDB Reform. Hans Peter was previously Vice President at IFC/World Bank and served in senior roles at the EBRD and the IMF. He obtained his PhD from Harvard University.



Abdelaziz Ali Al-Naama

Abdelaziz Ali Al-Naama has served as Qatar's Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary Ambassador to Algeria since September 2021. Prior to this, he held the position of Qatar's Ambassador to the Hellenic Republic (Greece) from 2016 to 2021, during which he was awarded the "Order of the Phoenix" by the President of Greece in recognition of his outstanding role in strengthening relations between the two countries in all fields. He brings over 25 years of leadership experience gained through senior roles at Qatar Telecom (Ooredoo), the Military Corps, and Qatar Development Bank. He holds a Bachelor's degree in Mass Communication from the College of Humanities and Social Sciences at Qatar University.