

Curriculum Vitae
BASIL FULEIHAN

PERSONAL

September 10 1963 – April 18 2005

Nationality: **Lebanese**
Marital Status: **Married to Yasma Mussallem**
 Two children : Rayna and Rayan

WORK EXPERIENCE

July 2003-2005 **Chairman, Parliamentary Committee on National Economy, Trade, Industry and Planning – LEBANESE PARLIAMENT**

Aug 2000 -2005 **Member of Parliament**

Oct 2000 –Apr 2003 **Minister of Economy and Trade – REPUBLIC OF LEBANON**

1994-2005 **Economic Advisor to the Prime Minister Rafic Hariri**

1994 – 2000 **Lecturer in Economics**
AMERICAN UNIVERSITY OF BEIRUT

Taught courses in Development Economics, International Economics, Applied Economic Policy, and the Digital Economy.

1993 – Feb 1999 **Economic Advisor to the Minister of Finance**
Project Director IBRD/UNDP Revenue Enhancement and Fiscal Management Project
MINISTRY OF FINANCE – REPUBLIC OF LEBANON

- Provided economic advice regarding macroeconomic policies, national budget preparation and implementation, trade policy, and taxation and expenditure management policies to the Prime Minister and the Minister of Finance.
- Led the Government's efforts to tap the international capital markets through the issuance of USD 2.45 billion Eurobonds between 1994 and 1998.
- Represented the Ministry of Finance in negotiations with international credit rating agencies, multilateral institutions and private international financial institutions.
- Represented the Prime Minister and the Ministry of Finance in negotiations with the European Union regarding the Euromed Association agreement between Lebanon and the European union.
- Participated in bilateral economic discussions and negotiations of tax and investment treaties.

- Spearheaded the reform efforts at the Ministry of Finance including the design, implementation and management of projects relating to the reform, reengineering and automation of the Directorate of Finance, the customs administration, and the Directorate of Land Registration and Cadastre, and the establishment of a training institute and public finance library.
- Coordinated all technical assistance provided to the Ministry of Finance and managed the relationship between the Ministry and the Central Bank and the Council for Development and Reconstruction.
- Managed a team of 40 professionals including long term international experts along with numerous short-term international experts

1991 – 1993

**Advisor to Executive Director
INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FUND**

Contributed to, and participated in Executive Board discussion regarding the role of the IMF in specific country economic policies and programs, international economic developments, IMF policy formulations, and internal IMF financial and administrative reviews.

1988 - 1990

**Assistant to Executive Director
INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FUND**

EDUCATION

1990.

COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY
PH.D.in Economics

DISSERTATION

Customs Unions, Growth & Economic Diversification

1984 – 1985

YALE UNIVERSITY
M.A International and Development Economics

1981 – 1984

AMERICAN UNIVERSITY OF BEIRUT
B.A. Economics
Graduated with distinction (cum laude)

OTHER EXPERIENCE

1987 – 1988

President Association of Graduate Economics Students
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY

Summer 1987

Consultant: EMINA Country Programs
THE WORLD BANK

Summer 1968

Summer Intern: EMINA Division 1A.
THE WORLD BANK

Summer 1983

Summer Intern
ARAB BANK LTD, LONDON