

Salim Hoss
Prime Minister of Lebanon
and Minister of Foreign Affairs

Born on Dec. 20, 1929, in Beirut, Salim Hoss earned a master's degree from the American University of Beirut in 1957 and a doctorate in economics and business administration from Indiana University in 1961.

He has lectured at the American University of Beirut school of business administration and is the author of several books.

Mr. Hoss was president of the Arab Dinar Study Committee (Arab Monetary Fund) from 1984 to 1985 and of the Arab Experts Committee (Arab League) from 1986 to 1987. He continues to serve as adviser to the Arab Monetary Fund, and is on the advisory boards of a number of companies, including the Middle East and North Africa International Bank and the American University of Beirut.

Mr. Hoss has also held a number of ministerial positions, including Education, Labour, Information, and Economy and Trade. He has represented Beirut at the National Assembly since 1992.

Mr. Hoss served as Prime Minister from 1976 to 1980 and again from 1987 to 1990. He was elected to a third term in 1998. Mr. Hoss is also the Minister of Foreign Affairs.