

# You are invited to: WATER RESOURCES IN FRAGILE CONTEXTS:

Strengthening Community Resilience in Lebanon



## CONFERENCE at the Crowne Plaza Hotel, Hamra, Liberty venue November 28, 2014 from 9.00 AM – 2.00 PM

The national water crisis is already affecting villages, towns and cities across the country. So how can communities deal with it in a way that contributes to strengthening their resilience? Join us to discuss this important issue, including its main causes, its impact on local communities and the country as a whole, and what can be done to tackle it. Featuring leading water experts and local campaigners.

### 9.00 - 9.30: REGISTRATION

### 9.30 - 9.50: OPENING CEREMONY

#### Opening statements:

Daad Ibrahim - *Project Manager, Permanent Peace Movement*  
Nathalie Bekdache - *Senior Programme Officer, International Alert*  
Dr. Alexis Loeber - *Head of the Cooperation Section, European Union*

### 9.50 - 10.50: SESSION 1

Moderator: Habib Maalouf - *Journalist and writer at Assafir newspaper*

#### An Overview of Water Resources in Lebanon

Dr. Nadim Farjalla - *PhD Faculty Research Director, Climate Change and Environment in the Arab World programme, Issam Fares Institute for Public Policy and International Affairs, American University of Beirut*

#### Water and Pollution

Adnan Melki - *National Coordinator, Lebanese global environment facility at the UN*

### 10.50 - 11.10: BREAK

### 11.10 - 12.00: SESSION 2

Moderator: Joe Haddad - *Project Associate*

#### Presentation of Advocacy Plan

Hanan Khalife - *Project Participant from Wadi Khaled*  
Mohammad Owelshi - *Project Participant from Wadi Khaled*  
Hussein Sakr - *Project Participant from Hermel*  
Hisham Shayya - *Project Participant from Badghan*

### 12.00 - 1.00: SESSION 3

Moderator: Layal Abou Rahal - *Journalist and Media Officer, Permanent Peace Movement*

#### Local Solutions to Drought and Water Shortages

Eliza Deutsch - *PhD Candidate, Water Resources Engineering (AUB)*

#### Hima and Water Management

Dalia Jawhary - *Hima Programs Director, Society for the Protection of Nature (SPNL)*

### 1.00: LUNCH

Those wishing to attend the conference please RSVP online at [www.international-alert.org/water](http://www.international-alert.org/water) by Wednesday 26 November 2014.

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