

Comments on Lebanon's next central bank lead, FT, 26 Mar 2025

Dr. Nasser Saidi commented on the choice of Lebanon's next central bank governor in the FT article titled "Lebanon closes in on next central bank head" published on 26th March 2025.

The full article can be accessed at:
<https://www.ft.com/content/4453da90-ff34-4939-be79-b1cb060e4218>

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Nasser Saidi, a former minister and BdL vice-governor, warned that powerful interest groups were wielding too much influence over the selection process. "The stakes are too high: you cannot have the same people responsible for the biggest crisis Lebanon has ever been through also trying to restructure the banking sector," he said.

"How are we going to convince the rest of the world that it can trust Lebanon's banking system, and provide the country with the funding it needs to rebuild [after the war]?"