

## INTERNATIONAL COURT OF JUSTICE

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## Judge Nawaf Salam elected President of the International Court of Justice

THE HAGUE, 6 February 2024. Judge Nawaf Salam (Lebanon) was today elected President of the International Court of Justice by his peers, for a term of three years.

President Salam has been a Member of the Court since 6 February 2018. Before joining the Court, President Salam was Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Lebanon to the United Nations in New York from July 2007 to December 2017. His full <u>biography</u> can be found on the Court's website, under the heading "Members of the Court"/"Current Members".

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The International Court of Justice (ICJ) is the principal judicial organ of the United Nations. It was established by the United Nations Charter in June 1945 and began its activities in April 1946. The Court is composed of 15 judges elected for a nine-year term by the General Assembly and the Security Council of the United Nations. The seat of the Court is at the Peace Palace in The Hague (Netherlands). The Court has a twofold role: first, to settle, in accordance with international law, legal disputes submitted to it by States; and, second, to give advisory opinions on legal questions referred to it by duly authorized United Nations organs and agencies of the system.

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