

A Conversation with Iraq's former Electricity Minister H.E. Luay Al-Khatteeb

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Speaker Bio



Dr. Luay Al-Khatteeb

*Former Minister of Electricity
Iraq*

Dr. Luay Al-Khatteeb was most recently Iraq's Minister of Electricity. He was formerly the founding director of Iraq Energy Institute, a fellow at the Center on Global Energy Policy at Columbia University, and a foreign policy fellow at Brookings Institution. His professional experience spans over twenty years in business development and public policy with executive capacities as director and senior advisor to various multilateral institutions, international oil companies, commercial banks and management consulting firms. He is a frequent commentator on issues related to energy security, economics, and politics in the Middle East. Dr. Al-Khatteeb earned his PhD in political economy from the University of Exeter.

Moderator Bio



Dr. Abbas Kadhim

Director, Iraq Initiative, Atlantic Council

Abbas Kadhim leads the Atlantic Council Iraq Initiative. He is an Iraq expert and author of *Reclaiming Iraq: The 1920 Revolution and the Founding of the Modern State*. Most recently, he was a senior foreign policy fellow at Johns Hopkins University's School of Advanced International Studies. He was formerly an assistant professor of national security affairs and Middle East studies at the Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey, California and a visiting assistant professor at Stanford University. He also previously held a senior government affairs position at the Iraqi Embassy in Washington, DC. His books include *Governance in the Middle East and North Africa* and *The Hawza Under Siege: Studies in the Ba'ath Party Archive*. He earned a PhD in Near Eastern Studies from the University of California, Berkeley.