

“SANCTIONS, EMPLOYMENT, AND LABOUR IN IRAN”
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SUMMARY OF A ‘MIDDLE EAST FORUM’ WEBINAR
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In a brief ‘Webinar’ session organized by the Washington based MEF, Ashley Perry, an adviser to Israel’s minister of foreign affairs and deputy prime minister in 2009-15, provides weekly updates on Israeli politics.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS BY ASHLEY PERRY

Dear Colleague,

I am pleased to announce that on Monday June 27 at 17:00 London time (GMT +1), the **Bourse & Bazaar Foundation** will host a special webinar titled **“Sanctions, Employment, and Labour in Iran.”**

Sanctions have had a significant impact on Iran’s labour force, pursuing many people out of work and degrading the quality of employment for many of those who remain employed, especially women and other economically vulnerable groups. Iran offers a key case study for the impact of sanctions on employment and labour relations. In this panel discussion, three experts on Iranian labour politics and state-society relations will examine the outlook for the labour force in Iran as the country’s economy remains stagnant. The panel will unpack the condition of “precarity” facing many Iranian households and explore how economic grievances are being expressed. Our stellar panel includes:

- **Pooya Alaedini**, Associate Professor, Department of Development and Social Policy, Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Tehran
 - Pooya's areas of interest are urban and regional studies, social policy, and industrial and employment development. He most recently edited Social Policy in Iran: Main Components and Institutions (Routledge, 2021).
- **Zep Kalb**, Visiting Fellow, Bourse & Bazaar Foundation
 - Zep is a PhD Candidate in the Department of Sociology at UCLA. He is writing his dissertation on workers' protests, labour politics, and economic development in post-revolutionary Iran.
- **Valentine Moghadam**, Professor of Sociology and International Affairs, Northeastern University
 - In addition to her academic career, Valentine has been Senior Research Fellow and Coordinator of the Research Program on Women and Development, UNU/WIDER (1990-95) and Section Chief, Gender Equality and Development, Human and Social Sciences Sector, UNESCO (2004-06).

The discussion will be moderated by economist **Djavad Salehi-Isfahani**, a board member of the Bourse & Bazaar Foundation.

To join this Zoom webinar, please register at the link below:

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(Moderator) **Djavad Salehi-Isfahani** is Professor of Economics at Virginia Tech and a Board Member at the Bourse & Bazaar Foundation.