

# Halt the reckless passage of four new oil & gas laws

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Beirut, LB Following the Government's decision to award oil and gas offshore contracts to the Total-Eni-Novatek consortium, a hazardous rush to adopt a set of new legislation has ensued, which will prove decisive for Lebanon, not only in the coming years but for future generations. The four laws, hastily written, determine the establishment of the Sovereign Wealth Fund, the National Oil Company, and the Directorate for Petroleum Assets, and finally a law on the onshore petroleum regulation.

Kulluna Irada fully supported LOGI's claim that there is absolutely no rush to pass these laws and produced a campaign with a short satirical video to raise awareness about the governance of Oil and Gas sector in Lebanon and to demand to a national strategy before setting the laws. The video went viral and reached 1 million users on Facebook and till now, the four laws didn't pass in the parliament.

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## About the Lebanese Oil and Gas Initiative

The Lebanese Oil and Gas Initiative (LOGI) is a non profit organization, based in Beirut. It focuses on public awareness, policy development and advocacy to help Lebanon maximize the economic and social benefits of its oil and gas wealth – and avoid the resource curse.

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## About Kulluna Irada

Kulluna Irada is a civic organization for political reform, engaged in setting the foundations for a modern, secure, efficient, sustainable and just state. It is funded exclusively by Lebanese citizens in Lebanon and abroad. Kulluna Irada believes transparency, accountability and citizen participation as major constituents of good governance. The organization's goal is to raise awareness on public issues and engage constituencies of the Lebanese society: citizens, NGOs, experts, municipalities, and members of Parliament and Government in order to find and implement sustainable solutions. Kulluna Irada's internal governance is based on collegial decision making and strict rules on conflict of interest: board members have vowed not to run for elections or participate in any public auction.

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