

## A Minister's Document

My attention was drawn by the interview between the Minister of Finance, Anas Al-Saleh, and the distinguished show host, Abdulwahab Al-Issa. A skilled host conversing with an eloquent minister. Frankly, I liked the interview, with its clear and concise explanations which were supported by statistics related to the financial situation of Kuwait. The minister was also able describe the reforms plainly, but spoke with an obvious passion, holding the papers in his hand as if carrying an infant he fears to get hurt. I totally get this feeling, because that infant is not only his, but belongs to all people of Kuwait. Those papers represent the pillar of our children's and Kuwait's future. And honestly, this is the first time I felt relieved after watching a political or economic interview on television. Usually, everything presented causes pessimism and suffocation, always presenting troubles without offering any solutions. But dear minister, I'm wondering: Why aren't you more widely marketing this reform document in this integrated way?! The majority of people are confused and they misunderstand it due to the media's weak coverage of government. Our government doesn't know how to speak to the public or communicate its agenda to its people, causing people to be led by gossip and rumors, turning them into a vulnerable prey for some of the candidates for the National Assembly who exploit their anxiety. One of those candidates, and on the same program, gave a speech to the voters of his region promising them there would be no austerity and he called for paying any deficits out of the Kuwait Fund for Future Generations. Such a policy is sure to bankrupt the country. How can the government counteract the rhetorical ability of such candidates?! Citizens have the