

Venezuela's opposition excluded from election

Venezuela's main opposition leaders are almost all sidelined from the country's April 22 presidential election – jailed, driven into exile or barred from office – leaving the coalition likely to boycott the vote



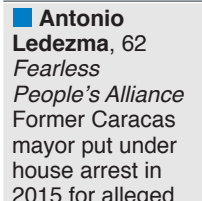
■ **Henrique Capriles, 45**
Justice First
Lawyer and former governor of Miranda state has twice run for president, narrowly losing to **Nicolás**

Maduro in 2013. Barred from public office for 15 years amid 2017 government crackdown on dissent



■ **Leopoldo López, 46**
Popular Will
Former mayor of Chacao district of Caracas, and longtime vocal opponent of leftist government. Jailed in 2014

for inciting anti-Maduro protests. Currently under house arrest after serving three years in prison



■ **Antonio Ledezma, 62**
Fearless
People's Alliance
Former Caracas mayor put under house arrest in 2015 for alleged coup plotting. Living in exile in Spain after escaping to Colombia



■ **Freddy Guevara, 31**
Popular Will
Congressional vice president at forefront of 2017 anti-government protests. Fled to Chilean embassy in Caracas after being targeted for arrest



■ **David Smolansky, 32**
Popular Will
Journalist and former mayor of El Hatillo district, went into hiding in 2017 after being sentenced to 15 months in jail. Escaped across border to Brazil



■ **Ramón Muchacho, 45**
Justice First
Former mayor of Chacao district, sentenced to 15 months in jail for failing to suppress anti-Maduro rallies in 2017. Fled to Miami in August