

Iran presidential election candidates

Iran has approved seven mostly hard-line candidates for its June 18 presidential election, while barring several prominent figures allied with outgoing president Hassan Rouhani



Mohsen Rezaei

Former chief of Revolutionary Guards, has unsuccessfully contested two presidential elections – in 2009 and 2013



Saeed Jalili

Senior member of Iran's Supreme National Security Council. Was chief nuclear negotiator during presidency of **Mahmoud Ahmadinejad**



Alireza Zakani

Conservative politician owns two Persian language media publications and heads research department of Iran's parliament



Ebrahim Raisi

Judiciary chief seen as clear frontrunner. Believed to be favourite of Iran's Supreme Leader **Ayatollah Ali Khamenei**



Amir-Hossein Ghazizadeh Hashemi

Conservative politician first elected in 2008, currently serves as deputy speaker of parliament



Abdolnaser Hemmati

Central Bank of Iran governor, seen as ally of Rouhani and one of two reformist candidates in presidential race



Mohsen Mehralizadeh

Senior reformist political figure, served as vice president during presidency of **Mohammad Khatami**