



30 Years of Cooperation

**PASSIA-FES JOINT CONFERENCE –
50 YEARS OF OCCUPATION MUST END!**

Wednesday, 3 May 2017, Legacy Hotel, Jerusalem

PROGRAM

9.00-9.30 **OPENING REMARKS**
Dr. Mahdi Abdul Hadi, *Chairman of PASSIA*
Dr. Beyhan Sentürk, *Resident Representative FES Office Palestinian Territories*

SESSION I: 50 YEARS OF OCCUPATION: IMPACTS ON THE PALESTINIAN STRUGGLE

9.30-10.00 Palestinian Strategies and Policies: Achievements, Failures and Future Imperatives
Dr. Nazmi Ju'beh, *Professor of History and Archaeology, Birzeit University*

10.00-10.30 The Question of Jerusalem and the Holy Places
Dr. Mahdi Abdul Hadi, *Chairman of PASSIA, Jerusalem*

10.30-11.00 Questions and Answers – Session One

11.00-11.30 Coffee Break

SESSION II: 50 YEARS OF OCCUPATION: POLICY CHALLENGES AHEAD - THE REGION AND THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY

11.30-12.00 Regional Threats and Opportunities (geopolitical shifts in the region, Trump Administration, Russia, refugee crisis, populism, domestic political dynamics in Israel and Palestine)
Dr. Nasser Al-Qudwa, *Chairperson of the Yasser Arafat Foundation, member of Fatah's Central Committee*

12.00-12.30 International Threats and Opportunities
Nathan Thrall, Senior Analyst, International Crisis Group

12.30-13:00 Questions and Answers – Session Two

13.00-14.00 Lunch Break

SESSION III: 50 YEARS OF OCCUPATION: IMPACTS ON SOCIETY AND IDENTITY

14.00-14.20 Palestinians in the West Bank
Dr. Abdel Rahim Shaikh, Associate Professor of Philosophy, Arab and Cultural Studies, Birzeit University

14.20-14.40 Palestinians in the Gaza Strip
Omar Shaban, Director, PalThink for Strategic Studies, Palestine

14.40-15.00 Palestinians in Israel
Dr. Mohanad Mustafa, Director of Research Programs and Coordinator, Israel Studies Program, Mada Al-Carmel, Haifa

15.00-15.30 Questions and Answers – Session Three

15.30-16.00 Coffee Break

SESSION IV: 50 YEARS OF OCCUPATION: VOICES OF THE YOUTH

16:00-17.00 **PANEL: WHAT'S NEXT? WHAT TO DO?**

Nur Arafah, Policy Fellow of Al-Shabaka - The Palestinian Policy Network
Saad Halawani, Society Programmes Manager, British Council, Jerusalem
Ruba El-Ghoul, Management and Finance Analyst at the UNDP - Assistance to the Palestinian People (UNDP/PAPP)
Samer Nusseibeh, Engineer, Jerusalem