

3. Dialogue Program

Introduction

Through its *Dialogue Program*, PASSIA has ever since its foundation striven both to promote free expression within Palestinian society and to foster a better understanding of Palestinian affairs, be they in the domestic or international context. In doing so, PASSIA has earned a reputation for providing a unique forum for dialogue and exchange and for serving as a catalyst for civic debate. Central to these efforts has been the presentation and analysis of a plurality of Palestinian perspectives and approaches. Topics addressed and discussed cover a wide range of subjects broadly and specifically related to the Palestine Question, from historical aspects to the current Middle East Peace Process and internal Palestinian affairs.

The PASSIA Dialogue Program is divided into the following three sections:

- ❑ **Roundtable Meetings:** PASSIA invites a speaker (and sometimes a discussant as well) to lecture on a certain topic, followed by a discussion with the audience present. Particularly topical issues are sometimes the subject of a series of lectures by as varied a range of speakers as possible. These meetings aim to promote thought and debate among Palestinians and between Palestinians and their foreign counterparts.

- ❑ **Briefings:** PASSIA frequently provides a venue for encounters, dialogue and discussions involving representatives and organizations from various backgrounds. These meetings focus on current Palestinian affairs and are designed to build bridges of communication and understanding between Palestinians from differing streams of society and to develop constructive and focused academic contact between Palestinians and Israelis. PASSIA has also hosted numerous meetings in which resident diplomats and visiting foreign missions are invited to discuss Palestinian affairs and exchange thoughts and opinions concerning the situation in the Palestinian Territories. In return PASSIA receives invitations to meetings with diplomats and visiting foreign dignitaries at other venues helping to consolidate relationships and forge connections between Palestinians and their foreign counterparts.

- ❑ **PASSIA Forum:** Owing to limitations of space at its premises, PASSIA organizes from time to time ‘public lectures’ involving particularly significant speakers and/or topics. These meetings are attended by the guest speaker(s), possibly one or two discussants, who will comment on the presentation, and an invited audience of up to 120 people. Forums are held at a hotel in Jerusalem or Ramallah, which offers the space and facilities needed to accommodate the anticipated number of participants.

Speakers discussants and participants at these meetings include local and foreign figures from a rich diversity of backgrounds and schools of thought: Scholars, professionals and intellectuals from Palestine, Israel and abroad; members of Palestinian NGOs, political factions and the media, as well as representatives of the diplomatic corps.

Meetings held throughout 2010/2011 at PASSIA (unless otherwise indicated) are listed below. Details are presented in the following order: date; topic; speaker/visitor; participants. (For additional PASSIA Meetings see the chapters on *Jerusalem* and *Religious Studies Unit*).

All meetings were attended by Dr. Mahdi Abdul Hadi, Head of PASSIA. The summary or full text of some of the meetings can be found at PASSIA’s website (<http://www.passia.org>).

Roundtable Meetings

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15 April 2010, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: EU & the Question of Palestine Maps

Participant(s): Marc Otte, EU Special Representative for the MEFP; Tomas Dupla, European Commission; Christian Berger, EU Representative; Thierry Vallat, Adviser to EUSR; Mahdi Abdul Hadi, PASSIA; Mazen Sinokrot, Private Sector; Yousef Dajani, Chairman of the Jerusalem District Electricity Company; Dr. Mustafa Abu Sway, Al-Quds University; Jamil Hamami, Al-Quds University; Khaled Kaloti, Engineer, Businessman; Member of the Palestinian Legislative Council (PLC) Jerusalem District.

17 April 2010, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: Palestinian-Israeli Impasse

Participant(s): Dr. Marin Albu, Head of the Representative Office of Romania & Delegation from Romania: Sarbulescu Ioana Madalina, Counsellor of the Ministry of Economy; Arat Oana Marie, Head of Department/Ministry of Public Brands; Spa-

taru-Hobjila Isabela, lawyer; Yisan Nadia Maria, general Manager; Lunescu Roxana, student; Toader Corina Andreea, Public Functionary Police Academy; Giurca Laura, Lawyer; Osoianu Lacramioara, Notary public; Popa Flavian, Public Prosecutor; Caian Gabriel, Judge; Vasile Blesku, Deputies of Romanian Parliament; Ion Baiculescu, Administrator; Avram Lavrentn, Administrator; Filip Cristina, General manager; Filip Conjiawim, Doctor Professor; Sarghe Alexandru, Consultant; Bazgau Mihin, Consultant; Nedelcu Floremtima Oama, Expert Ministry of Administrator; Cozma Emil, General Manager; Nicola Cristina Mariana, Administrator; Stan Ecaterina

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23 March 2011, Best Eastern Hotel, Ramallah

Topic: Women in Muslim Communities from a Canadian Perspective

Speaker: Dr. Sheema Khan; Author, *of Hockey and Hijab: Reflections of a Canadian Muslim Woman*.

Participant(s): Dr. Mariem Saleh, Member Palestinian Legislative Council, Ramallah; Latifah Al-Shawa; Islam Al-Shawa; Ghadeir Daraghmeh; Khaled Mansour, Gender Specialist, UNRWA; Haneen Daraghmeh; Samia Shalabi; Suhair Shalabi; Iman Abu Awad; Samar Barghouthi; Huda Barghouthi; Hanan Barghouthi; Nadira Barghouthi; Suhair Barghouthi; Hilda Dalaq, UCI; Nabila Hashimi; Nour Shanak, Student, Birzeit University; Maha Abul Humos; Ghazaleh Arar, Teacher; Christopher Greenshields, Head, Representative office of Canada, Ramallah; Alia Barghouthi; Suzan Karzon; Ohoud Enaia, Manager, Strategic Planning & External Relations Department, Municipal Development and Lending Fund (MDLF); Khalid Abu Khalid, Director, Palestinian Center Bureau of Statistics (PCBS); Najwa Zaidan; Aida Sijaj; Dua' Salawdeh; Bayan Abu Kwaik; Ghada Khoury, Society of Inash Al-Usra; Amal Shannak, Student, Birzeit University; Ulrike Weiss, Teaches; Ziad Sharia ; Policy Officer, Netherlands Representative Office, Ramallah; Jihad Hasarmeh, UNRWA; Sondos Shalabi; Nadia Wahedi; Mohammed Barghouthi, , Palestinian Center Bureau of Statistics (PCBS); Iyad Masrouji, Chairman, UPPM; Rasmia Amrieh; Iram Teanj; Saba Al-Sabawi; Ina'am Abu Fukhaida; Iman Sabe'; Huda Abu Yacoub .





18 October 2011, Legacy Hotel, Jerusalem

Topic: The EU, the US and the Palestinian UN Bid in September

Speaker: John Gatt Rutler, Acting EU Representative

Participants: Alexander Ruesche, Program Manager, Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung (FES); Walid Aliyan, Student; Khaled Kaloti, Engineering; Chris Priggr, USSC; Cheryl Igiri, US Consulate; Zakaria Al-Qaq, Lecturer, Al-Quds University; Mehmet Sekerci, Turkish Consulate; Raman Minhas, World Health Organization; Hind Khoury; Jan Dybfest, Deputy, Norwegian Representative Office, Ramallah; Atif Omor, Director of Administration Affairs, Augusta Victoria Hospital, Jerusalem; Sawsan Safadi, Public Relation, Directorate of Education PR Manager, Luisa Morgantini, Former Vice President European Parliament; Del Puech, Consultant; Eldjendoubi Moma, EU Trade Office; Nora Carmi, Project Coordinator; Mazen Sinokrot, Engineering; Hazem Kawasmi, Consultant; Leon Rodriguez, Mexican Representative Office, Ramallah; Michael Broning; Head, Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung (FES), Jerusalem; Stefani Firster, Assistant, Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung (FES, Jerusalem; Monther Abu Ramoz, Youth Coordinator; Federico Perico, Italian Consultant, Jerusalem; Peter Cirkl, Czech Republic Development Coordinators, Ramallah; Petr Tuma, Czech Representative office, Ramallah; Vincent Fean, Head, British Consulate, Jerusalem; Csaba Rada, Deputy, Hungarian Representative Office, Ramallah; Phadime Choshane, First Secretary, South Africa Representative Office, Ramallah; Dr. Tawfiq Nasser, Director, Augusta Victoria Hospital, Jerusalem; Nisreen Al-Aref, Manager of Finance, Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung (FES), Jerusalem; Jamal Al-Aref, DCD, ANERA; Jorge Lobo de Mesquita, Portuguese Representative Office, Ramallah; Hatem Khweis; Parents' Union Committees, Jerusalem; Bashar Azzah, CEO QDS; Coarla Pagno, Gender Advisor; Sheikh Jamil Hamami, Lecturer, Al-Quds University; Younis Abu Sbeih.

Briefings

Note: Briefings that did not take place at PASSIA were events to which Dr. Mahdi was invited in order to comment on and analyze the current situation.

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5 January 2010, PASSIA, Jerusalem
Topic: **Arab Student Aid International**
Participants: Dr. Arafat Hidmi; Wasfi Tamimi; Ishaq Al-Qutub; Sameer Al-Qutub.

6 January 2010, PASSIA, Jerusalem
Topic: **Internal Conflicts in Palestine & Israel**
Participants: Dr. Meejong & Dr. Young Chol Choe, The Center for Middle Eastern Studies, Konkuk University; Dr. Mustafa Abu Sway, Al-Quds University.

6 January 2010, PASSIA, Jerusalem
Topic: **Korea & the Peace Process**
Participants: KWAK, Sam Ju, First Secretary, Representative Office of the Republic of Korea, Ramallah; Dr. Meejong, The Center for Middle Eastern Studies, Konkuk University.

21 January 2010, PASSIA, Jerusalem
Topic: **Courtesy Visit**
Participant(s): Igor Pogacar, Representative, Representative Office of the Republic of Slovenia to the Palestinian National Authority, Ramallah.

21 January 2010, PASSIA, Jerusalem
Topic: **The American Policy in the Middle East**
Participant(s): Ahmed Jalajel, Journalist, Al-Alam Tv & Dubai Tv.

25 January 2010, PASSIA, Jerusalem
Topic: **Courtesy Visit**
Participant(s): Jenny Grant-Curnow, Representative, Australian Representative Office, Ramallah.

28 January 2010, PASSIA, Jerusalem
Topic: **Palestinian Internal Politics**
Participant(s): LT.Col. Alon Eviatar, Counselor of Palestinians Affairs, Ministry of Defense; David Cohen, Assistant, Tel-Aviv.

4 Feb 2010, PASSIA, Jerusalem
Topic: **Courtesy Visit**
Participant(s): Masahiko Mitsumoto, Representative Office of Japan to PA.

9 Feb 2010, PASSIA, Jerusalem
Topic: **Courtesy Visit**
Participant(s): Alan Bugeja, Representative, Representative Office of Malta, Ramallah.

16 February 2010, PASSIA, Jerusalem
Topic: **Courtesy Visit**
Participant(s): Dr. Jaimie Lovell, Director, Kenyon Institute; Omar Shweiki, Research Scholar, Kenyon Institute.

24 February 2010, PASSIA, Jerusalem
Topic: **Courtesy Visit**
Participant(s): Krista Auchenbach, Political Officer, U.S. Consulate General Jerusalem.

25 February 2010, American Colony, Jerusalem

Topic: Working Dinner

Participant(s): Igor Pogacar, Head, Representative Office of Slovenia; Anja Mezeg, M.A.I.S., Third Secretary, Division for Africa, Middle East, Asia and Oceania, Unit for the Middle East, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Republic of Slovenia; Tomaz Mencin, Minister Plenipotentiary, Head of Division for Africa, the Middle East, Asia and Oceania, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Republic of Slovenia.

8 March 2010, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: Employment Programs

Participant(s): German Technical Cooperation: H. Jochen Regner, Project Manager, Regional Funds; Corinna Gayer, Researcher.

10 March 2010, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: Palestinian Internal Politics

Participant(s): Schneider Julie, Journalist, France.

10 March 2010, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: Historical Perspective of Israel/Palestine

Participant(s): Reverend Mae Elise Cannon, Executive Pastor, Hillside Covenant Church, USA.

10 March 2010, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: Palestinian Internal Politics

Participant(s): Francesco Santillo, Consul, Italian Consulate, Jerusalem.

11 March 2010, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: Courtesy Visit

Participant(s): Gamal M. Atta, Political Officer, Representative Office of Egypt.

16 March 2010, Notre Dame Hotel, Jerusalem

Topic: Civil Society in Palestine and Israel

Participant(s): President Luiz Inacio Lula da Silva of Brazil; Dr. Mahdi Abdul Hadi; Dr. Yossi Beilin, President, Beilink.

16 March 2010, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: French-Palestinian Academic Cooperation

Participant(s): French Consulate General in Jerusalem: Lucienne d'Alencon, Director of the French Cultural Center in Nablus; Fanny Lafourcade, Attache for University Cooperation and Institution; Benoit Tadie, Counselor of Cooperation and Cultural Affairs.

23 March 2010, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: Russian Culture in Palestine

Participant(s): Paul Rassadin, Attache at the Representative Office of the Russian Federation to the PA.

29 March 2010, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: State Building Thesis

Participant(s): Mokhalajoe Lebona, Political Advisor, South African Representative Office to the PA, Ramallah.

3 April 2010, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: Peru: The Process of Immigration to Israel

Participant(s): Fouad Abu Ghosh, Producer, Middle East Bureau, BBC News; Fernando Lucena, Producer Director.

6 April 2010, Jerusalem

Topic: Palestinians Try a Less Violent Path to Resistance

Participant(s): Ethan Bronner, New York Times.

7 April 2010, PASSIA, Jerusalem
Topic: **Internal Palestinian Politics**
Participant(s): Krista Auchenbach, Political Officer, US Consulate General Jerusalem.

7 April 2010, PASSIA, Jerusalem
Topic: **Knowledge as a Negative Space for Power**
Participant(s): Ariadna Petri, Project Officer, National Center for Sustainable Development in Romania; Dr. Marin Albu, Head of the Representative Office of Romania.

10 April 2010, PASSIA, Jerusalem
Topic: **Palestinian Internal Politics**
Participant(s): Friedrich Buttler, Special Representative of the Director-General; Martin Delz, Legal Specialist; Rasha G. El-Shurafa, Program Officer, West Bank and Gaza; Munir Qleibo, Head of ILO office, Jerusalem.

12 April 2010, PASSIA, Jerusalem
Topic: **Palestinian Internal Politics.**
Participant(s): Axel Von Hoerschelmann, Head of Division, International Relations, Western Europe, USA, CIS, Asia, Ministry of Economic & European Affairs, Land Brandenburg; Ralf Christoffers, Minister of Economy & European Affairs, Brandenburg; Peter Schaefer, Representative, Rosa Luxemburg Foundation.

12 April 2010, PASSIA, Jerusalem
Topic: **Palestinian Internal Politics**
Participant(s): Paola Caridi, Italian Journalist; Csaba Czibere, Head of Mission; Csaba Rada, Deputy Head of Mission, Hungarian Representative Office to the PA, Ramallah.

13 April 2010, PASSIA, Jerusalem
Topic: **Expulsion of Palestinians**
Participant(s): A'tef Daghabas, Al-Jazeera TV, Nablus.

14 April 2010, PASSIA, Jerusalem
Topic: **Palestinian Internal Politics**
Participant(s): Dr. Muriel Asseburg, Head, Research Unit, Middle East and Africa, Stiftung Wissenschaft und Politik (SWP), Berlin.

20 April 2010, PASSIA, Jerusalem
Topic: **PM Salam Fayad's Strategy**
Participant(s): Sung-Hong, Yang, First Secretary, First Secretary, Embassy of the Republic of Korea.

20 April 2010, PASSIA, Jerusalem
Topic: **Inter-Palestinian Reconciliation**
Participant(s): Inger Buxton, Deputy Director; Signe Burgstaller, Deputy Head of Department, Director, Ministry for Foreign Affairs, Sweden.

28 April 2010, PASSIA, Jerusalem
Topic: **Inter-Palestinian Reconciliation**
Participant(s): Zingisa Cawe, International Relations Officer; Salam Abram, Member of Parliament African National Congress; Dr M. S Motshekga, African National Congress Chief Whip of the Majority Party; Edgar Motsisi, First Secretary (Political), South African Representative Office to the PA.

28 April 2010, PASSIA, Jerusalem
Topic: **Palestinian Political Prisoners**
Participant(s): Barbara Amstad, Head of Mission, ICRC.

29 April 2010, PASSIA, Jerusalem
Topic: **Nonviolent Resistance in Palestine**
Participant(s): Laurent Zecchini, Bureau Chief, Le Monde, Jerusalem.

3 May 2010, PASSIA, Jerusalem
Topic: **A Poetic Approach to the Middle East Through the Art of Photography**

Participant(s): Frederic Brenner, French photographer; Amit Leshem.
12 May 2010, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: **Courtesy Visit**

Participant(s): Bogustaw Ochodek, Representative of the Republic of Poland to the PA, Ramallah.

18 May 2010, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: **Obama & the Middle East**

Participant(s): Daniel Brumberg, Senior Advisor, Center for Conflict Analysis and Prevention, United States Institute of Peace, US.

18 May 2010, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: **Proximity Talks**

Participant(s): Phadime Choshane, Political Advisor, Mokhalajoe Lebona, Political Advisor, South African Representative Office to the Palestinian National Authority, Ramallah.

20 May 2010, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: **Civil Society**

Participant(s): P.R.J. Dumore, Qatat Political Consulting, The Netherlands.

9 June 2010, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: **Courtesy Visit**

Participant(s): Roberto Storaci, Consul, Consulate General of Italy, Jerusalem.

16 June 2010, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: **Hungarian Academia**

Participant(s): Hungarian Academic Delegation: Dr. Meszaros Tamas, Rector, Corvinus University of Budapest; Prof. Zsolt Rostovanyi Dsc, Dean, Corvinus, University, Budapest; Magdolna Toth, Dean of Faculty of Horticultural Science, University of Budapest; Csaba Czibere, Head, Representative Office of Hungary; Csaba Rada, Deputy Head, Representative Office of Hungary.

17 June 2010, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: **Palestinian Reconciliation**

Participant(s): Munib Rashid Al-Masri, Nablus.

8 July 2010, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: **Europe and the Middle-East Conflict**

Participant(s): Anna Brodin, Political Officer, Swedish CG, Jerusalem.

8 July 2010, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: **Turkey-Israel Relations**

Participant(s): Mehmet F. Sekerci, Deputy Consul General of Turkey, Jerusalem.

8 July 2010, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: **Farewell meeting**

Participant(s): Dr. Klaus Burkhardt, German Representative to the PA, Ramallah

19 July 2010, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: **Loyalty**

Participant(s): Al Jazeera English TV: Sherine Tadros, Correspondent; Khaled Zighari, Producer; Mamoun Syam, Cameraman.

29 July 2010, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: **Human Rights**

Participant(s): Dr. Thomas Neu, Director, The Carter Center, Ramallah.

12 August 2010, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: **Palestinian Israeli Negotiations**

Participant(s): Edgar Motsisi, Second Political Secretary, Machiel van Niekerk, Counsellor, South African Representative Office to the PNA.

17 August 2010, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: **Palestinian Israeli Negotiations**

Participant(s): Chungnam Park, Head, Representative Office of the Republic of Korea in Palestine.

29 September 2010, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: **Courtesy Visit**

Participant(s): Chris Greenshields, Representative of Canada, Ramallah.

7 October 2010, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: **Direct Talks & What Lies Ahead**

Participant(s): Karim Lebour, Radio France International; Benjamin Barthe, Correspondent, La Monde

2 November 2010, PASSIA, Jerusalem.

Topic: **Courtesy Visit**

Participant(s): Hanna Pappalardo, Consul, Consulate General of Italy, Jerusalem.

8 November 2010, Working Lunch, Azure Restaurant, Ramallah

Topic: **Canada & the Palestinian-Israeli Conflict**

Participant(s): Bob Johnston, Regional Director General Europe, Middle East and Maghreb Directorate (EMM); Sean Boyd, Director, West Bank and Gaza and Palestinian Refugees Europe, Middle East and Maghreb Directorate; Marta Samper, Counsellor (Head of Cooperation), Representative office of Canada; Chris Greenshields, Representative of Canada to the PA.

8 November 2010, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: **Recent Developments in the Region**

Participant(s): Leadership Delegation of the Presbyterian Church (USA): Rev. Dr. Victor Makari, Area Coordinator for Europe & the Middle East; Rev. Hunter Farrell, Director - World Mission for the Presbyterian Church; Rev. Roger Dermody, Deputy Executive Director, World Mission for the Presbyterian Church; Rev. Sara Lisherness, Director - Compassion, Peace and Justice Unit for the Presbyterian Church; Rev. Amgad Beblawi, new Area Coordinator for Europe, the Middle East & Central Asia; Douglas Dicks, Regional Liaison for Jor-

dan, Israel & Palestine for the Presbyterian Church.

11 November 2010, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: **Palestinian Reconciliation**

Participant(s): Sung-Hong Yang, First Secretary, Embassy of the Republic of Korea.

24 November 2010, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: **FES-PASSIA Cooperation**

Participant(s): Armin Hasemann, Division for International Cooperation, Department for Near /Middle East and North Africa, FES, Berlin; Dr. Michael Broning, Director of the FES office in Jerusalem; Henrik Meyer, Project Manager, FES office, Jerusalem.

26 November 2010, Working Dinner, American Colony Hotel, Jerusalem

Topic: **Palestinian-Israeli Impasse**

Participant(s): PES Delegation of the Middle East, Israel and Palestine (Nov. 25-28. 2010); Espen Barth Eid, Chair of the Delegation, Deputy Foreign Affairs Minister, PES Presidency member, DNA, Norway; Morten Damm Krogh, International Secretary, SD, Denmark; Piero Fassino, Member of Parliament and Spokesperson for Foreign Affairs, DP, Italy; Giacomo Filibeck, Member of the International Department in charge of Middle East, Africa & Mediterranean, DP, Italy; Bert Koenders, Former Development Minister, PvdA, The Netherlands; Marije Laffeber, PES Presidency member, International Secretary, PvdA, The Netherlands; Catalin Sorin Ivan, Member of European Parliament, PSD, Romania, Anne Linde, International Secretary, SAP, Sweden, Sebastian Toro, Senior Economic Adviser, Swedish School Democratic Parliamentary Group, SAP, Sweden; Yonnec Polet, Head of the International Unit, PES; Michael Oberreuter, International Unit,

PES; Dr. Michael Broening, Director, FES.

7 December 2010, PASSIA, Jerusalem
Topic: **Palestinian Issues**
Participant(s): Mr. Bill Corcoran, ANERA President; Dr. Ken P. Lizzio, Country Director, West Bank & Gaza, ANERA.

8 December 2010, PASSIA, Jerusalem
Topic: **Palestinian-Israeli Negotiations**
Participant(s): Mrs Pia Rantala-Engberg, Head of Finland Representative office, Ramallah.

11 December 2010, PASSIA, Jerusalem
Topic: **PASSIA programs in 2011**
Participant(s): Mrs Sana F. Shtasel, Alliance for Middle East Peace.

16 December 2010, PASSIA, Jerusalem
Topic: **Settlements**
Participant(s): Elias Karram, Correspondent, Aljazeera TV.

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10 January 2011, PASSIA, Jerusalem
Topic: **Recognition of the Palestinian State**
Participant(s): Raya Fakheraldeen, Producer Middle East Bureau; Jon Donnison, Correspondent, Middle East Bureau, BBC News.

19 January 2011, PASSIA, Jerusalem
Topic: **President Abbas' Strategy**
Participant(s): Edgar Motsisi, First Secretary (Political), South African Representative Office to the PA.

20 January 2011, PASSIA, Jerusalem
Topic: **The New Focus of the Palestinian Strategy**

Participant(s): Csaba Rada, Deputy Head of Mission, Representative Office of Hungary to the PA, Ramallah; Dr. Tamas Matura, Research Fellow, Hungarian Institute of International Affairs; Peter Marton, Research Fellow, Corvinus University of Budapest, Faculty of Social of International Relations.

24 January 2011, PASSIA, Jerusalem.
Topic: **Palestine Papers**
Participant(s): Al-Jazeera English Network.

24 January 2011, PASSIA, Jerusalem.
Topic: **Palestine Papers**
Participant(s): BBC News Network.

25 January 2011, PASSIA, Jerusalem
Topic: **Palestine Papers**
Participant(s): James Bays, Al-Jazeera English Network.

25 January 2011, PASSIA, Jerusalem
Topic: **The New Focus of the Palestinian Strategy**
Participant(s): Mr. Tor Wennesland, The Representative of Norway to the PA, The Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and Defense, Norway.

27 January 2011, PASSIA, Jerusalem
Topic: **Palestine Papers**
Participant: Khalil Assali, Journalist, PNN.

31 January 2011, PASSIA, Jerusalem
Topic: **Can the Palestinian Authority Survive?**
Participant(s): Jonathan Cook, Dissident Voice Newsletter.

2 February 2011, PASSIA, Jerusalem.

Topic: The Impact of Tunisia and Egypt's Uprising and its Implications for Palestine

Participant(s): Tanya Habjouqa, Stringer, Bloomberg News.

2 February 2011, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: The Impact of Egypt & Tunisia's Uprising & its Implications for Palestine

Participant(s): Laurent Zecchini, Bureau Chief, Lemond, France.

2 February 2011, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: The Impact and Implications of Tunisia & Egypt's Uprising for Palestine

Participant(s): Consul Roberto Storaci, Deputy Consul General; Hind Khoury, former Palestinian Ambassador to France.

3 February 2011, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: The Impact and Implications of Tunisia & Egypt's Uprising for Palestine

Participant(s): Phadime Choshane, Political Advisor, South African Representative Office to the Palestinian National Authority, Ramallah.

3 February 2011, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: The Impact and Implications of Tunisia & Egypt's Uprising for Palestine

Participant(s): Olivier Plancon, Deputy Consul General; Damien Cristofari, Deputy Consul, French Consulate, Jerusalem.

3 February 2011, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: The Impact and Implications of Tunisia & Egypt's Uprising for Palestine

Participant(s): Meredith S. Buel, News Correspondent, Voice of America, Washington, D.C.

5 February 2011, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: The Impact and Implications of Tunisia & Egypt's Uprising for Palestine

Participant(s): Ernesto H. Braam LL.M, Strategic Policy Advisor, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Netherlands; Harry Putker First Secretary, Representative Office of the Kingdom of the Netherlands to the PA.

6 February 2011, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: The Future of Palestine

Participant(s): The Committee for the Future, Finland.

8 February 2011, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: The Future of the Kenyon Institute

Participant(s): Dr. Anne Pirie; Ms Liz Firth, Kenyon Institute.

14 February 2011, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: UN Plan 2011

Participant(s): Nika Strazisar Teran, Political Affairs Officer, Department of Political Affairs, UN Secretariat, New York, USA; Shifa Jayousi-Abdeen, Program Officer UNSCO, Jerusalem.

2 March, 2011, PASSIA, Jerusalem.

Topic: The Wind of Change in the Arab World and Palestine.

Participant(s): Mr. Mehmet Sekerci, Deputy Chief of Mission, Consulate General of the Republic of Turkey in Jerusalem.

2 March, 2011, PASSIA, Jerusalem.

Topic: The Wind of Change in the Arab World and Palestine

Participant(s): Phadime Choshane, Political Advisor, South African Representative Office to the PA, Ramallah.

2 March 2011, Working Breakfast at the American Colony Hotel, Jerusalem

Topic: Palestinian Reconciliation

Participant(s): Nathan Stock, Assistant Director, Conflict Resolution Program, The Carter Center; Hrair Balian The Carter Center, Atlanta Ga USA; Fajr Harb, Program Coordinator; The Carter Center, Ramallah.

2 March 2011, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: The Jordan Valley Project

Participant(s): Anselm Schelcher and Nick Pewesin, ForumZFD.

3 March 2011, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: The Wind of Change in the Arab World and Palestine

Participant(s): Prof. Eisuke Naramoto, Faculty of Economics, Hosei University, Tokyo; Ambassador Afif Safieh.

3 March 2011, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: Palestinian Security Issues

Participant(s): Dr. Naomi Weinberger, Adjunct Professor School of International and Public Affairs, Columbia University.

26 March 2011, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: Palestinian Nakba

Participant(s): Brendan Browne LLB LLM, PhD Candidate, Queen's University Belfast, School of Sociology, Social Policy & Social Work.

13 April 2011, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: Internal Palestinian Developments

Participant(s): David R. Martinez, Political Officer, US Consulate, Jerusalem; Kyler Kronmiller, US Department of States, USA.

5 May 2011, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: Palestinian Reconciliation

Participant(s): Ana Garralda Torres, Middle East Correspondent, CNN.

12 May 2011, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: EU and Palestine

Participant(s): P.R.J. Dumore, Qarat, Policy Consulting, Amsterdam, The Netherlands.

17 May 2011, Residence of the Consul General, Sheikh Jarrah Jerusalem

Topic: EU and Palestine

Participant(s): President of the Italian Republic, Giorgio Napolitano.

18 May 2011, Working Breakfast at the US Consulate in Jerusalem

Topic: Palestinian Reconciliation, the Day After

Participant(s): Deputy Secretary of State James Steinberg; NEA Assistant Secretary Jeffrey Feltman; US Consul General Daniel Rubinstein.

26 May 2011, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: EU and Palestine

Participant(s): Dr Volker Perthes, Executive Chairman and Director Stiftung Wissenschaft und Politik (SWP), Germany; Dr. Muriel Asseburg Head, Research Division Middle East and Africa Stiftung Wissenschaft und Politik (SWP), Martina Doering, German Journalist; Paola Caridi, Italian Journalist; Deniz Altayli, Director, PASSIA.

30 May 2011, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: Egypt & Palestinian Reconciliation

Participant(s): Mr. Sameh Nabil, Egyptian Council, Egypt Embassy; Gamal M. Atta, Political Officer, Representative Office of Egypt.

31 May 2011, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: Palestine and the Arab Spring

Participant(s): Perry Cammack, staff member at Senator Kerry's office; Dr. Amanda Pilz, Deputy Political Chief, US Consulate General, Jerusalem.

2 June 2011, PASSIA, Jerusalem
Topic: **Palestinian Reconciliation and the United Government**

Participant(s): Samer Abu Jobara, Political Affairs Officer, UNSCO, Jerusalem
 9 June 2011, Pasha Room -American Colony Hotel, Jerusalem

Topic: Book launching: **The Politics of Change in Palestine: State-Building and Non-Violent Resistance**

Speaker: Dr. Michael Broening, Director of the Friedrich Ebert Stiftung (FES), Jerusalem.

Discussant(s): Amira Hass, Author & Journalist, *Ha'aretz*; Dr. Mahdi Abdul Hadi, Head of PASSIA

12 June 2011, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: **Palestinian Unity Government**

Participant(s): Isabel Kershner, The New York Times.

14 June 2011, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: **Courtesy Visit to Bid Farewell**

Participant(s): Pia Rantala-Engberg, Representative Office of Finland, Ramallah.

15 June 2011, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: **Palestinian Unity Government**

Participant(s): Chris Greenshields, Representative of Canada to the PA, Ramallah.

16 June 2011, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: **Palestinian Reconciliation the Day After**

Participant: Dr.T. Jayasinghe, Sri Lanka Representative Office, Ramallah.

16 June 2011, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: **Palestinian Reconciliation the Day After**

Participant(s): Nicolas Pelham, Correspondent, The Economist.

18 June 2011, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: **The Separation Wall**

Participant(s): Umut Ozguc, PhD Candidate, School of Humanities & Social Sciences, Australia.

20 June 2011, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: **Palestinian Reconciliation**

Participant(s): Stephane Amar, Correspondent Radio Television, Swiss TV in French

21 June 2011, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: **Education**

Participant(s): Carsten Hansen, Country Director, Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC), Jerusalem.

23 June 2011, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: **Palestine & the Arab Spring**

Participant(s): Derek Stoffel, National Reporter, CBC News, Canada; Sasa Petricici, CBC TV, Canada

6 July 2011, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: **UN & the Palestinians next September 2011**

Participant: Samer Abu Jobara, Political Affairs Officer, Office of the UN Special Coordinator for the Middle East Peace Process (UNSCO).

1 August 2011, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: **Palestine and the UN in September 2011**

Participants: Mark Sehnelbaeher, Regional Director, Catholic Relief Services, Europe, Middle East Region; Melinda Burrell, Chief Party, Civic Participation Program, Catholic Relief Services, Jerusalem; Hanan Nasrallah, Catholic Relief Service, Jerusalem.

24 August 2011, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: **Palestinian UN Bid in September 2011**

Participants: Ismail Coovadia South Africa, Ambassador, Ramallah; Edgar Motsisi, First Secretary South Africa Representative Office, Ramallah.

6 September 2011, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: **Palestinian UN Bid in September**

Participants: Bogustaw Ochodek, Representative of the Republic of Poland to the Palestinian National Authority, Ramallah; Csaba Czibere, Head of Mission, Poland's Representative Office to the PA, Ramallah; Jaroslaw Bratkiewicz, Ambassador, Dyrektor Polityczny, Ministerstwo Spraw Zagranicznych; Peter Sztaray, Political Director, Deputy State Secretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Republic of Hungary; Radovan Javorcik, Ambassador, Embassy of the Slovak Republic; Pavel Fischer, Political Director, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic; Jozef Hudec, Deputy Head of Mission, Embassy of the Slovak Republic.

8 September 2011, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: **9/11 Remembered: Palestinians, the Forgotten Victims.**

Participants: *The National*

12 September 2011, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: **Palestinian UN Bid in September**

Participants: Reuters TV: Lianne Gross, Producer; Yehuda Gruber, Cameraman; Ilan Nahum, Soundman.

13 September 2011, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: **Palestinian UN bid in September**

Participant: Carlos De Lannoy; David Cohen, TV GLOBO BRASIL.

15 September 2011, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: **President Erdogan Visiting the Region**

Participant: Francesca Marretta, Journalist, *Liberazione* giornale comunista

21 September 2011, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: **September 2011 for Palestine**

Participants: Monika Bolliger, Journalist, *Neue Zuercher Zeitung*.

22 September 2011, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: **Palestinian Bid at the UN**

Participant: Shoruk Assad, Dubai T.V

22 September 2011, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: **Palestinian Bid at the UN**

Participant: Kim Hyojin, Producer, Korean Broadcasting System, Seoul, Korea

24 September 2011, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: **Palestinian Bid at the UN**

Participant: Michael Jansen, *Irish Times*

27 September 2011, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: **Crisis Group Briefing on Palestinian Strategy after the UN Bid**

Participants: Nathan Thrall, International Crisis Group

3 October 2011, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: **Palestinian Reconciliation**

Participants: W. Borgsteede; P.R.J. Dumore, QARAT Policy Consulting "Netherlands- Amsterdam"

4 October 2011, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: **Palestinian UN Bid in September 2011**

Participants: Steven N. Simon, Senior Director, Middle East & North Africa, National Security Staff, The White House, Washington, DC; Julie M. Jolles, Economic Officer, US Consulate, Jerusalem.

4 October 2011, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: **Courtesy Visit**

Participants: Birgitta Tagelaar, Head of Mission, Kingdom of the Netherlands, Representative to the PA, Ramallah

11 October 2011, PASSIA, Jerusalem
Topic: **Palestinian UN Bid in September**
Participants: Laurent Zecchini, Journalist, Le Monde, Paris; Joris Van Winckel, Political Affairs Office, European Union, Jerusalem; Phadime Choshane, South African Representative Office, Ramallah.

20 October 2011, PASSIA, Jerusalem
Topic: **Palestinian Reconciliation and the Prisoners Release**
Participants: Francios Perguilly; French Consulate, Jerusalem.

25 October 2011, PASSIA, Jerusalem
Topic: **Palestinian and the UN Bid**
Participants: Jozef Hudec, Deputy Head of Mission, Embassy of the Slovak Republic; Radovan Javorcik, Ambassador, Embassy of the Slovak Republic, Tel Aviv.

26 October 2011, PASSIA, Jerusalem
Topic: **Palestinian Identity**
Participants: Pdraig O'Malley, Professor of Peace and Reconciliation, University of Massachusetts

28 November 2011, PASSIA, Jerusalem
Topic: **Palestinian Reconciliation Process**
Participants: Edgar Motsisi, First Secretary South African Representative Office, Ramallah; Political Advisor, Phadime Choshane, First Secretary, South African Representative Office, Ramallah.

15 December 2011, PASSIA, Jerusalem
Topic: **Palestinian Internal Issues**

Participants: Mlungisi W Makalima, South Africa Representative, Ramallah

15 December 2011, PASSIA, Jerusalem
Topic: **Palestinian Internal Issues**
Participants: Dr. Peter Hünseler, Regional Director for Israel and Palestine of the German NGO Forum ZFD.

15 December 2011 (Working Dinner)
Topic: **Palestine and the Second Arab Awakening**
Participants: Kirsti Kauppi, Director General for Africa and The Middle East (MFA Finland); Riika Eela, Counselor, Team Leader for OPT and Israel; Pauliian Hellman, OPT Development Desk Officer; Dr. Martt Eirola, Head, Finland Representative Office, Ramallah; Dr. Lars Adam Rehof, Head, Denmark Representative Office, Ramallah.

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26 January 2010, Ambassador Hotel, Jerusalem

Topic: Israel's Political Decision Making: Who, How and the Different Components

Speakers: Akiva Eldar *Journalist, Ha'aretz*

Daniel Ben Simon, *Member of the Knesset (Labor Party)*

Ahmad Tibi, *Member of the Knesset (United Party of the Arab Movement for Change)*

Participants: Gilles Cerutti, UNRWA; Rajai Masri, Consultant; Rusela Alexander, FES; Odelia Bitun, Walla; Pia Rantala-Engberg, Head, Representative Office of Finland; Fajr Harb, Carter Center; Almut Woller, Rosa Luxemburg Foundation; Anas Abdeen, Project Coordinator, Al-Maqdese; Shawky Seif El-Nasr, UNRWA; Alan Bugeja, Head, Representative Office of Malta; James J. Carroll, Head, Representative Office of Ireland; Dr. Michael Broening, Director, FES; Hala Hallak, Doctor; Charl Manning, Diplomat, Representative Office of South Africa; Jack Twiss, Diplomat, Representative Office of Netherlands; Fouad Dakkak; Eva Tomic, OHCHR, Ramallah; Marc Frings, Researcher; Ali Shahwan, Businessman; Rakad Dllashe, Lawyer; Arturo Marzano, Researcher; Khaled Kaloti, Engineer; Henrik Meyer, Program Manager, FES; Samer Abu Jobara, Political Affairs Officer, UN Office; Bashir Barakat; MSc.; Reem Masri, Journalist; M. Zahaykah, Journalist; Amit Leshem; Robert Crothers, Middle East Representative, ANERA; V. Van Vyve, Journalist; Omar Karmi, Journalist; Mustafa Al-Kurd, Musician; Dr. Mustafa Abu Sway, Lecturer, Al-Quds University; Kelsey Aturod, Consultant; Yacub Abu Asab; Phadime Choshane, Diplomat, Representative Office of South Africa; Emmal Baker, English Editor; Helga Baumgarten, Professor; Salwa Alinat, Student; Doris Carrion, Teacher; Kristian Brakel, Diplomat, Representative Office of Germany; Omar Shweiki, Research Scholar, Kenyon Institute; Davide Rom, Project Manager, ACS, Italy; Paola Caridi, Journalist; Jessica Fuchs, Student; Dr. Ali Abu Kaf, Professor; Fatmeh Obiedat, Biology Medical Lab Science; Ralf Hexel, FES, Israel; Mutasem Amad; Nils Eliasson, Consul General, Swedish Consulate; Brady NG, Photo Journalist; Dr. Jorge Torres Pereira, Head, Representative Office of Portugal; Sara Codognotto, Student; Florian Fischer, Student; Valentino Sardeno, Employee; Mahmoud Gamal, Egyptian Diplomat; Victoria Sjolander, Political Adviser, EUPOL COPPS, Ramallah; Aminah Abdel Haq, Lawyer; Albert Aghazarian, Al-Madi Translation & Interpreting; Vedat Gul, Vice Consul, Turkish Consulate general, Jerusalem; Anna Brodin, Political Officer, Swedish Consulate general; Mohammed Nusseibeh; Martina Iannizzotto, Country Representative, ACS; Murad Bustami; Elisa Claessens; Omar Yousef, Professor, Al-Quds University; Khalil Assali, Director, Al-Quds Educational TV; Tom Neu, Director, Carter Center; Muriel Esposito, Student; Munib R. Masri, Padico; Hiba Darwish, Padico; Dr. Arafat Hidmi, President, Chairman Board Director, Makassed Society.

3 May 2010, Legacy Hotel, Jerusalem

Topic: Britain & the Middle East in the 9/11 Era

Speaker: Dr. Rosemary Hollis, *Director of the Olive Tree Scholarship Programme, and Visiting Professor at City University London*

Discussant: Rizeq Zu'bi, *Lecturer, The Arab Academic College, Haifa*

Participants: Guy Bustun, Researcher; Dr. T. Jayasinghe; Head, Representative Office of Sri Lanka; Sophie Allen; Jack Twiss Quarles Van Ufford, Head, Representative Office of Netherlands; Nabih Asal, Professor; Terry Boullata, SDC; Star Shatfir, Student; Omar Quqas, Sales Engineer; Sam Mcbratney; Ana Coclho, Representative Office of Portugal; Mazen Nuseibeh, Teacher; Juht Dryden, OCHA; Sam Rose, UNRWA; Steven Rosenbos, BBC; Jose Miguel De La Cruz, Head, Representative Office of Chile; Tal Kubin; Dr. Arafat Hidmi, Chairman, Board of Directors, Makassed Charitable Islamic Society; Fouad Abu Ghosh, BBC; Nora Carmi, Sabeel Coordinator; Dr. Bernard Sabella, PLC, Jerusalem.

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31 October 2011, Legacy Hotel, Jerusalem

Topic: Prisoner Release-Palestinian Narratives

Speakers: Fadi Kawasmi, Lawyer; Nidal Rafa, Journalist/Producer; Released Prisoners

Participants: Abdul Rahman 'Abad, General Secretary, The Muslims Scholars and Ulama' in Palestine; Sara Rafa; Christine Meyer, US Consulate; Cheryl Igiri, US Consulate; Ibrahim Abu Dalo, P.E. Printing; Bishwadip Dey, India Representative, Ramallah; Alexander Ruesche, Program Manager, Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung (FES); Afeif Safieh, Palestinian Roving Ambassador for Special Missions; Leonie V. Nierop, Journalist, Dutch; Mohammed Abed Rabbo, Journalist; Yousef Salman, ADV; Haali Edris, Youth Coordinator; Ibrahim Mish'al, Released Prisoner; Fida' Mish'al; Jamelah Mish'al; Ibtisam Issawi, Released Prisoner; Ruqaeh Issawi; Ruba Isawi; Mohammad Issawi; Maisoon Zoabi; Nida' Zoabi, Political Science Lecturer; Butaina Lathqani, Head Office of Public Relations, Hi-tech Company; Mazen Jabari, Youth Development Department; Qusay Abbas, Youth Development Department; Patrick Keddie, Freelance Journalist; Ben Lorbe, Journalist; Nabil Nasser; Amit Leshem, Van Leer Institute; Karima Anbar, Press Attache; Nasser Abed Rabbo, Released Prisoner; Yazan Dwayat; Naseer Issa, Released Prisoner; Nasser Qus; Amjad Abu 'Assab, Head of Jerusalem Prisoners Families Committee; Majd Bader, Lawyer; Terry Boullata, Senior Advisor, SDC; Ashraf Al-Khateeb, Negotiations Advisor; Melinda Burrell, Chief of Party, CRS; Ahmad Jalajel; Journalist, Panet, Al-Quds News Paper; Hatem Khweis, Hon Falsten Website; Nihad Sandouka, Employee; Ali Maslamani, Released Prisoner; Zahi Khoury, Businessman; Yacoub Abu Assab, Masar

