INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

Ever since its foundation PASSIA has striven 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 through PASSIA’s Dialogue Program. 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 comprises of roundtable meetings and briefings. As part of the former, speakers are invited (and sometimes a discussant as well) to lecture on a certain topic, followed by a discussion with the audience present. These meetings aim to promote thought and debate among Palestinians and between Palestinians and their foreign counterparts. Most of these meetings or ‘public lectures’ are organized in a hotel in Jerusalem or Ramallah, which offers the space and facilities needed to accommodate the anticipated number of participants (normally ranging between 40-120 people). 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.

PASSIA Briefings are 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 different 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, visiting foreign delegations or student groups from international universities 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.

All meetings throughout 2013 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).

Meetings

5 January 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem
Topic: Palestinian History
Participant(s): Amon Ester; Ranin Hussin; Basma Aweida; Clarice Silber; Amit Rivlin; Jehudit Weinberger; Rajaa Mourabet; Fizza Ali; Imraan Ichan; Zayad Bdair; Yehuoa Lapian; Hana Khan; Mies Abed; Kiana Davis; Ahlam Canaan; Nisreen Massarwei; Amann Ahmad; Kelly Alpert Vest; Nazli Chaudhry; Simon Pincos; Elias Ventura; Zak Yitro.
23 January 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem.
**Topic:** Arab Israeli Conflict: Camp David, September 1978
**Participant(s):** Rawan Hamad; Muna Hassan; Hanadi Kawasmi; Ahmad El-Asmar; Hatem Khweis.

6 February, 2013 PASSIA, Jerusalem
**Topic:** Palestinian Reconciliation: Different Agenda
**Participant(s):** Ahmad Asmar; Hanadi Qawasmi; Anjad Hithnawi; Yasmine Joulani; Raed Mujahed.

10 February 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem
**Topic:** The Palestinian Identity & the Nakba of 1948
**Participant(s):** Theologian’s participants: Martha Usiri; Eva Agostinho Paulo; Agness Chiwara; Maaraidzo Elisabeth Mutambara; Daniel Wappou; Francois Iya; Lalitha Jayachitra; David Rajandran John David; Rajula Watson; Jeeva Kumar; Peiquan Lin; Hellen Bok; Jonathan Ashauer; Atahualpa Hernandez.
23 February 2013, Legacy Hotel, Jerusalem

**Topic:** Trans-Colonial Urban Space in Palestine: Politics & Development  
**Speaker:** Dr. Maha Samman, Head of Urban Studies and Spatial Practices program at Al-Quds Bard Honors College for Liberal Arts and Sciences, AL-Quds University, Jerusalem  
**Participant(s):** Dr. Mehreme Laradee, Head, Social Science Dept., Al Quds Bard College; Zakaria Odeh, Executive Director; Awad Mansour, Lecturer, Al Quds University; Khuloud Khayyat Dajani; Nasser Hidmi; Ahmad Siyam; Raed Mujahed; Alexander Ruesche, Program Manager, FES; Eng. Mazen A. Abu Al Saud, Director ISS/AOC, Ex-Asst. Deputy Minister P.N.A; Abeer Al Saheb, Project Manager; Shahla Matar, Associate; Victoria Joyce, Associate; Scott Ratner, Research Assistant; Dr. Sari Nussibeh, Al Quds University; Lucy Nusseibeh; Hatem Khweis, PR-Reporter.

22 April 2013, PASSIA, Ramallah

**Topic:** The Anti-Normalization Campaign. Palestinian Perspective, "Youth Education, Ramallah Meeting"  
**Participant(s):** Samer Al-Shareef; Maral Jaaber; Fajr Harb; Katerina Mistaklem; Haneen Amari; Hassan Al-Hareth; Najwan Birqudar; Rand Abdel Haseeb Khdair; Hazem Muhammad Abu Helal.

8 May 2013, Legacy Hotel, Jerusalem

**Topic:** The Neo-Zionist State of Israel: Realities and Future Prospects  
**Speaker:** Dr. Ilan Pappe: Professor with the College of Social Sciences and International Studies, University of Exeter, UK, Director of the University's European Centre for Palestine Studies, and Co-Director of the Exeter Centre for Ethno-Political Studies
19 June 2013, Legacy Hotel, Jerusalem

Topic: Taksim Square: between Arab Politics and the Turkish Model.

Speaker: Dr. Mehran Kamrava, Professor at Georgetown University, School of Foreign Service in Qatar and Director of its Center for International and Regional Studies

Participants: Ediz Tiyansan, Correspondent; Abla Sinokrot, Administrative Assistant; Koichi Oi, Student; Alexander Rüsche, Project Manager Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung (FES); Jacob Rieker, Project Manager Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung (FES); Shatha Abdul Samad, Project Manager Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung (FES); Sae Imamura, Program Coordinator; Rania Muhareb, Student; Eveline Muhareb, German Academic Exchange Program (DAAD); Kursad Mahmat, Turkish International Corporation & Development Administration (TICA); Sam Andrews, Student; Felix Neugebauer, Student; Prof. Mlungisi W. Makalima, Head, South African Representative Office; Ramallah; Anke Ralle, Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung (FES); Solly Tshivhula, South African Representative Office; Ramallah; Neil Graham; Elke Bullesbech; German Representative Office, Ramallah; Joris Van Winckel, EU; David Geer, EU Representative; Marianne Van de Glind; Nera Van Glind; Nicolas Rost.
African Representative Office; Ramallah; Samer Nuseibeh, Engineer; Naser Hidmi; Khalil Assali, Journalist; Raed Mujahed; Jerome Sherman, US Diplomat; Maha Samman, Professor, Al-Quds University; Kholood M. Kandil, Economic Officer, US Consulate; Rima Mustafa, Al Arabiya TV; Nadim Al Jamal, Journalist; Johanna Wagman, Journalist; Phadime Choshane, First Secretary, South African Representative Office, Ramallah; Tore Aydin, Journalist; Taher Al-Nammari, Al-Maqdisi Association, Jerusalem.

30 September 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem
Topic: Palestinian Internal Affairs and Israeli Occupation
Participant(s): Young Peace Performance: Ida Hella; Serine Talhaub; Einar Blindheim; Erik Zeraensen; Maram Sahlieh; Signe Bekmand Tangen.

10 November 2013, American Colony Hotel, Jerusalem
Topic: Palestinian Perspective on Various Components of the Conflict & What Lies Ahead!
Participant(s): Richard Bruneau, Counsellor and Head of Political Section, Representative Office of Canada, Ramallah; Richard Venn, Senior Executive Vice-President, CIBC, and Managing Director and Deputy Chair, CIBC World Markets Inc.; Jill Reitman, psychologist; Joel Reitman, Founder and President of Jillcy Investments Ltd. Morris & Sarah Perls; Allan & Hinda Silber; Eileen Silver, Ontario Ministry of Education; Carole Sterling, UJA Federation of Greater, Toronto; Jay Sterling, Gardena Canada; Abe Glowinsky, UJA Federation of Greater, Toronto; Elaine Dubrovsky; Sam Reitman; Stephanie Frangos.

11 November 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: Meeting with HE Dr. Andreas Reinicke, EU Special Representative for the Middle East Peace Process

Participant(s): Rafiq Husseini, CEO Makassed Hospital; Jameel Hamami Lecturer, Al-Quds University; Hani Abdeen, Dean AQU; Fadi Kawasmi, Lawyer; Khaled Khaloti, Engineer; Mahdi Abdul Hadi, Chairman, PASSIA; Leena Ritola, Political Adviser to the EU Special Representative for the Middle East Peace Process.

7 December 2013, Intercontinental Bethlehem

Topic: First Dutch-Palestinian Cooperation Forum, Signing of the PASSIA-Clingendael Memorandum of Cooperation

Participant(s): Luc Van de Goor, Director, Netherlands Institute of international Relations; Bertus Hendriks, Senior Visiting Fellow, Netherlands Institute of international Relations; Aseel Fatafteh, PASSIA Senior Researcher.

Briefings

7 January 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: Courtesy Visit
Participant(s): Junya Matsuura, Head, Japan Representative Office, Ramallah.

8 January 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem
Topic: Israeli Elections 2013
Participant(s): Phadime Choshane, First Secretary, South African Representative Office, Ramallah; Solly Tshivhula, Counselor Political Section, South African Representative Office, Ramallah.

13 January 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem
Topic: Israeli Elections the Day After
Participant(s): Amy Lineh, Professor; Crystal Murphy, Professor; Gregory Neddenriep, Professor.

21 January 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem
Topic: Israeli Elections
Participant(s): Ahmad Buadiri, Palestine TV 9.

23 January 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem
Topic: Israeli Elections
Participant(s): Labib Nasir, Reuters.
24 January 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem
Topic: Courtesy Visit
Participant(s): Tom Wilson, Australian Representative, Ramallah; Scott Ratner, PASSIA Intern.

26 January 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem.
Topic: Palestinian Components of the Second Arab Awakening
Participant(s): Atul Aneja, West Asia Bureau Chief, The Hindu; Dr. Mustafa Abu Sway, The Integral Chair for the Study of Imam Al Ghazali’s Work at the Holy Al-Aqsa Mosque and Al Quds University and Professor of Islamic Philosophy.
30 January 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem
**Topic:** Israeli Election, Palestinian Reconciliation, and Egypt’s Internal Crisis.
**Participant(s):** HE Mostafa El Gamil, Egyptian Diplomat, Egypt Embassy, Tel Aviv.

31 January 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem
**Topic:** Palestinian Reconciliation
**Participant(s):** Birgitta Tazelaar, Head of Netherlands Representative Office, Ramallah.

4 February 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem
**Topic:** Palestinian Internal Conciliation, Palestinian Israeli Peace Process.
**Participant(s):** Sung-Jan Yeo; Korean Representative; Rimon H. Abu Farha, Office Manager & Assistant, Representative Office of Republic of Korea in Palestine.

4 February 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem
**Topic:** The Palestinian Reconciliation
**Participant(s):** Munib Al-Masri, Nablus.
5 February 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem
**Topic:** Obama’s Second Term and the Israeli Palestinian Conflict
**Participant(s):** David Viveash; Fajr Harb; Tahsin Alawneh, Carter Center, Ramallah.

8 February 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem
**Topic:** Youth Empowerment and Culture
**Participant(s):** Michael A. Richards, Consul for Press and Cultural Affairs; Rachel Leslie, Cultural Affairs Officer; Suzan Namri, Cultural Affairs Office, US Consulate General, Jerusalem.

18 February 2013, Working Dinner
**Topic:** EU and the Palestinian-Israeli Peace Agenda
**Participant(s):** Rob Sawartbol, Director-General for International Cooperation, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Netherlands; Maartje Peters, Senior Policy Officer Palestinian Authority, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Netherlands; Mrs. Birgitta Tazelaar, Head of Netherlands Representative Office, Ramallah; Jumana Jaouni, Netherlands Representative Office, Ramallah; Hagit Ofran, Settlement Watch Project, Peace Now; Sabri Saidam, Presidential Advisor at Palestinian National Authority; Mazen Sinokrot, Former Minister of Economy; Mahdi Abdul Hadi, Head of PASSIA.

21 February 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem
**Topic:** President Obama’s Upcoming Visit to the Region  
**Participant(s):** Nathan Stock, Asst. Director Conflict Resolution, Carter Center.

25 February 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem  
**Topic:** PLO, PA and the State of Palestine  
**Participant(s):** Alfonso M. Portables, Consul General, Spanish Consulate General in East Jerusalem; Mustafa Abu Sway, The Integral Chair for the Study of Imam Al Ghazali’s Work at the Holy Al-Aqsa Mosque and Al Quds University and Professor of Islamic Philosophy.

4 March 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem  
**Topic:** Palestinian Security Issues  
**Participant(s):** Brigadier General Michael Pearson, MSC, CD, Senior Canadian USSC, Operation Proteus, Canada; Captain Alex Podiluk, Staff Officer, Operation Proteus, Canada.
5 March 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem
Topic: President Obama’s Visit to Israel-Palestine
Participant(s): ARN Radio, Ramallah

5 March 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem
Topic: President Obama’s Visit to Israel-Palestine
Participant(s): Mirvat Al. Azzeh, Reporter; Tahreer Fakhr Aldeen; Cameraman, Al Hurra TV

7 March 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem
Topic: The European Union and the Peace Process
Participant(s): Dr. Andreas Reinicke, EU Special Representative for the Middle East Peace Process, European External Action Service; William Hopkinson, Political Adviser to the EU Special Representative for the Middle East Peace Process, European External Action Service.
7 March 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem
Topic: Discussion on Arab Student Aid International
Participant(s): Prof. Ishaq Al-Qutub, President, Arab Student Aid International; Dr. Arafat S.Hidmi, President, Makassad Charitable Society; Eng Mazen A. Abu Al Saud, Director, Arab Orphan's Committee Jerusalem; Mr. Salim El-Qutub.

11 March 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem
Topic: Personal Story
Participant(s): Marcin Gutowski, Polish National Radio.

11 March 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem
**Topic:** Cooperation between the Finnish Institute in the Middle East and PASSIA  
**Participant(s):** Dr. Martti Eirola, Head of the Representative Office of Finland in Ramallah; Dr. Ari Kerkkanen, Director of The Finnish Institute in the Middle East.

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**13 March 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem**  
**Topic:** President Obama’s Visit to the Region  
**Participant(s):** Han Chong, CNC World TV, China; Danny Superstine, Camera Man, Pierre Klochendler, Reporter

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**13 March 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem**  
**Topic:** Obama’s Visit  
**Participant(s):** Scott Bobb, Middle East correspondent, Voice of America.
19 March 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem
Topic: Falafel wars: Obama’s Food for Thought
Participant(s): Jumana Al Tamimi, Associate Editor, Gulf News.

21 March 2013, The New Gate, Jerusalem
Topic: Obama’s Visit to Ramallah
Participant(s): Stephanie L. Freid, International Correspondent, CCTV News (China Central Television).

21 March 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem
Topic: Obama-Abbas Press Conference
Participant(s): Leyla Koselerli, Turkish TV.

21 March 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem.
Topic: Obama-Abbas Press Conference
Participant(s): Stephanie L. Freid, International Correspondent, CCTV News (China Central Television).

25 March 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem
Topic: Arab Summit 2013 in Doha - Qatar
Participant(s): Saeed Khair Al-Deen, Producer; Tahreer Fakhr Al-Deen, Cameraman, Al-Hurra TV.
6 April 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem
**Topic:** Introduction to the Current Palestinian Politics
**Participant(s):** Atia Abawi, Correspondent, NBC News.

6 April 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem
**Topic:** The Re-election of Khaled Meshaal as Head of the Hamas Movement
**Participant(s):** Karl Vick, Bureau Chief, Time Magazine

9 April 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem
**Topic:** Deir Yassin 1948
**Participant(s):** Christine Rinawi, Journalist and Reporter, Palestine TV; Ali Dowani, Cameraman; Ali Yassin, Cameraman.
9 April 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem
Topic: Turkey - US Peace process and the Palestinian Internal Politics
Participant(s): Ediz Tiyansan, Correspondent, TRT TV; Hamzeh Omran Naaji, Cameraman, TRT TV.

9 April 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem
Topic: US Secretary of State, Mr. Kerry Visit to Turkey, Israel and Palestine.
Participant(s): Leyla Koselerli - DetayHaber Turkish TV.

9 April 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem
Topic: Chatham House Asfari Fellowship
Participant(s): Helen Twist Programme Manager. Middle East and North Africa Program, Chatham House.

15 April 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem
Topic: Prime Minister Salam Fayyad’s resignation
Participant(s): Monte Carlo Radio.
16 April 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem
Topic: PASSIA’s Activities, Situation in Israel/Palestine
Participant(s): George Meek, Journalist, Blogger (seekpeaceinpalestine.blogspot.com), and EAPPI Volunteer; Olli-Matti Nykaren, International and Middle East Affairs Journalist and EAPPI Volunteer.

17 April 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem
Topic: Salam Fayyad’s Resignation; Anti-Normalization Protests; US Policy in the Region.
Participant(s): Laurent Zecchini, "Le Monde" newspaper Jerusalem Bureau Chief.

22 April 2013, PASSIA, Ramallah
Topic: PM Salam Fayyad’s Resignation
Participant(s): Phadime Choshane, First Secretary, South African Representative Office, Ramallah; Goodman Molate, Counselor, South African Representative Office, Ramallah.
22 April 2013, Moevenpick Hotel, Ramallah

**Topic:** The Question of Palestine and Regional Politics (lecture given at the Finnish Ambassadors’ regional meeting)

**Participant(s):** Representatives from the Ministry for Foreign Affairs of Finland: Dr. Martti Eirola, Representative of Finland to the PA; Ambassador Peter Stenlund, Under Secretary of State; Risto Piipponen, Director General of the Africa & Middle East Department; Mika Ruotsalainen, Middle East Expert; Risto Veltheim, Ambassador; Antti Loikas, Adviser; Matti Lassila, Ambassador; Helena Tuuri, Director of the Middle East & North Africa Unit; Tiina Jortikka-Laitinen, Ambassador in Tunis; Christina Harttila, Ambassador in Rabat; Markku Meriluoto, Chief Inspector; Jere Peltonen, Inspector; Roberto Tanzi-Albi Ambassador in Cairo; Harri Kamarainen, Ambassador in Teheran; Jarno Syrjala, Ambassador in Riad; Hannele Voionmaa, Ambassador in Algiers; Leena-Kaisa Mikkola, Ambassador in Tel Aviv.

22 April 2013, PASSIA, Ramallah

**Topic:** The Anti-Normalization Campaign - Palestinian Perspectives

**Participant(s):** Samer Al-Shareef; Maral Jaaber; Fajr Harb; Katerina Mistaklem; Haneen Amari; Hassan Al-Hareth; Najwan Birqudar; Rand Abdel Haseeb Khdair; Hazem Muhammad Abu Helal.

22 April 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem.

**Topic:** Palestinian Reconciliation

**Participant(s):** Mostafa El-Gamil, Consul General, Egypt Embassy.

30 April 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem

**Topic:** Current & Future Situation of Palestine

**Participant(s):** Students from Lund University in Sweden: Sarah Anne Rennix; Matthew Plouffe; Vincent Lavvers; Sonia Baralic; Klara Berlage; Marie Henners; Malin Mattsson; Eline Olsson; Desiree Sterner; Marc Andre Perreaolt; Ilaria Savio; Fabio Cristiano.
13 May 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem  
**Topic:** Courtesy visit  
**Participant(s):** Rodrigo Lopez Gadano, Deputy Head of the Representative Office of Argentina to the State of Palestine

16 May 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem  
**Topic:** Palestinian Constitutionalism  
**Participant(s):** Gregory Mahler, Academic Dean, Vice President for Academic Affairs, Earlham College, USA.

18 May 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem  
**Topic:** Clash of Narratives/Denial of Narratives  
**Participant(s):** Noam Yavor, Producer & Director, The Second Draft, Tel Aviv; Sam Andrews, PASSIA Intern.
21 May 2013 PASSIA, Jerusalem

**Topic:** Courtesy Visit

**Participant(s):** Dr. Katja Hermann, Head of Office, Rosa Luxemburg Foundation; Deniz Altayli, Program Director, PASSIA

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15 June 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem

**Topic:** Why does Conflict Resolution Fail?

**Participant(s):** Dr. Ian S. Spears, Associate Professor, Department of Political Science, College of Social and Applied Human Sciences, University of Guelph, Ontario, Canada.
17 June 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem

**Topic:** The German-Israeli Dialogue Program

**Participant(s):** Dr. Volker Perthes, Director, Stiftung Wissenschaft und Politik (SWP) – German Institute for International and Security Affairs, Berlin; Dr. Muriel Asseburg, Senior Fellow, SWP Research Division: Middle East and Africa.

20 June 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem

**Participant(s):** Dr. Marin Albu, Head of Romanian Representative Office in Ramallah

**Topic:** Romanian Seminar – 18th-19th October 2013 Invitation to a political seminar: “Political parties – Key elements in political development” in Bucharest, organized by the Romanian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the European Commission for democracy through Law, as part of the 20th Anniversary of Romanian adherence to the Council of Europe. The event shall be attended by two representatives of 11 Arab countries including Palestine, one from an academic organization and one member of Parliament.

16 July 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem

**Topic:** Gaza after the Fall of President Morsi in Egypt

**Participant(s):** Phadime Choshane, First Secretary, South African Representative Office, Ramallah; Goodman Molate, Counselor, South African Representative Office, Ramallah; Solly Tshihula, Counselor Political Section, South African Representative office, Ramallah

17 July 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem

**Topic:** Courtesy Visit

**Participant(s):** Bill Cavness, Public Affairs Officer; Suzan Qaryouti, Senior Programs Specialist US Consulate General – Jerusalem
18 July 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem
Topic:Courtesy Visit
Participant(s):Young-Chol Choe, Ph.D. in Political Science / Assistant Professor, SEOUL JANGSIN University, South Korea

22 July 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem
Topic:US Secretary of State John Kerry’s mission and the resumption of Israeli-Palestinian negotiations
Participant(s):Ben Wedeman, Senior International Correspondent, CNN Cairo.

25 July 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem
Topic:Gaza after the Fall of Morsi
Participant(s):Mostafa El-Gamil, Consul General, Egypt Embassy
29 July 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem  
**Topic:** Negotiations  
**Participant(s):** Ahmad Qrei'a, Head of Jerusalem Affairs Department, PLO - Executive Committee

29 July 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem  
**Topic:** Preliminary Talks  
**Participant(s):** Tanja Kraemer, Correspondent, Deutsche Welle, Germany

30 July 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem  
**Topic:** Resumption of the Israeli-Palestinian Negotiations and the One-State Solution  
**Participant(s):** Nidal Kanaaneh, Assignment Desk Editor, Al Hurra TV, USA
6 August 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem
Topic: Courtesy Visit
Participant(s): Juan Jose Escobar, Spanish Consul General, Jerusalem

9 August 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem
Topic: Negotiations; Where to?
Participant(s): Kamal Tarabay Monte Carlo.

12 August 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem
Topic: The Resumption of the Peace Talks
Participant(s): Pierre Klochendler, Reporter and Filmmaker, CNC (Chinese News Network).

14 August 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem
Topic: The New Israeli-Palestinian Negotiations
Participant(s): Ashref Shweiki and Salah Hamouri, Journalists, Al Quds TV
14 August 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem

**Topic:** Raising awareness about PASSIA’s work in the Gulf region

**Participant(s):** Munir El-Shurafa, Regional Manager, Zahid Tractor, Jeddah; Rasha El-Shurafa, Program Officer, International Labor Organization

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14 August 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem

**Topic:** Resumption of the Negotiations and the Israeli Announcement of New Settlement Building

**Participant(s):** Steffen Jensen, Journalist, TV2 Denmark

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19 August 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem

**Topic:** Peace Talks

**Participant(s):** Ediz Tiyansan, Foreign Correspondent, Turkish Radio TV (TRT)
27 August 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem

**Topic:** Israeli-Palestinian peace prospects, regional situation and its impact on Palestinian politics and the Israeli-Palestinian conflict

**Participant(s):** Sinan Abu-Maizer, Reuters

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28 August 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem

**Topic:** Syria: Where to?

**Participant(s):** Jim Clancy, Anchors & Reporters, CNN

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4 September 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem

**Topic:** Study on Spain & Palestine

**Participant(s):** Isaias Barrenada Bajo, Prof. of International Relations, Complutense University of Madrid, Spain; Helena Villarejo, Professor of Public Law, University of Valladolid, Spain; Jose Abu-Tarbush, Professor of Sociology, University of La Laguna (Canary Islands), Spain; Dr. Mahdi Abdul Hadi, Head of PASSIA.
7 September 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem.
Topic: Documentation on Palestinian Personalities for Ministry of Culture Archives
Participant(s): Brigitte Faoder, Project Manager, PA Ministry of Culture

9 September 2013, St. George Landmark Hotel, Jerusalem
Topic: Palestinian-Israeli Negotiations (Working Dinner)
Participant(s): Ambassador Jan Kickert, Director General of Political Affairs at the Austrian Ministry of Foreign Affairs; Dr. Leonhard Moll, Austrian Representative to the PA; Dr. Mahdi Abdel Hadi, Chairman of Passia; Mrs. Tilly, Austrian Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

16 September 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem
Topic: Civil Society Issues
Participant(s): Andy Clarno, Assistant Professor of Sociology, University of Illinois at Chicago (UIC).

17 September 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem
Topic: Civil Society Issues
Participant(s): Britt Manzo, Senior Program Assistant, Center for Conflict Management, United States Institute of Peace; Alison Milofsky, Senior Program Officer, Academy for International Conflict Management and Peace Building, United States Institute of Peace; Dr. Mahdi Abdul Hadi, Head of PASSIA.
18 September 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem
Topic: Palestinian Internal Politics
Participant(s): David Larson, Director, National Democratic Institute (NDI); Yousef Awadallah, Operation & Security Coordinator, National Democratic Institute (NDI); Dr. Mahdi Abdul Hadi, Head of PASSIA.

26 September 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem
Topic: Has the Israeli-military scenario change?
Participant(s): ARN Radio, Ramallah

30 September 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem
Topic: Palestinian Internal Politics
Participant(s): Kristian Brakel, Advisor, Office of the European Union Representative; Joris Van Winckel, Political Affairs, Office of the European Union Representative; Dr. Mahdi Abdul Hadi, PASSIA Chairman.
1 October 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem
Topic: Hamas’ Political Agenda, Where To?
Participant(s): Phadime Choshane, First Secretary, South African Representative Office in Ramallah; Solly Tshivhula, Political Counselor, South African Representative Office in Ramallah.

1 October 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem
Topic: Courtesy Visit
Participant(s): Paulo Roberto França, Representative of Brazil to the State of Palestine.

4 October 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem
Topic: Internal Palestinian Politics
Participant(s): Mr Ben Scott, Senior Middle East Analyst, Office of National Assessments (ONA); Mr. Tom Wilson, Representative, Australian Representative Office, Ramallah.
5 October 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem
Topic: Ottomans and the Arabs?
Participant(s): Haluk Gol, TRT Belgesel, Turkey

8 October 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem
Topic: The Politics of Palestine and the Region
Participant(s): Nathan Stock, Assistant Director, Conflict Resolution Program, Carter Center; Nigel Pearce, Senior Middle East Analyst from The Elders; David Viveash, Field Director, Carter Center; Fajr Harb, Assistant Director, Carter Center.

8 October 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem
Topic: Universal Code of Conduct on Holy Sites
Participant(s): Sharon Rosen, Co-Director at Search for Common Ground.
17 October 2013, Notre Dame Hotel, Jerusalem  
**Topic:** Negotiations, Reconciliation and Elections in Palestine  
**Participant(s):** HE Dr. George Vella, Minister for Foreign Affairs, Malta; Mr. Joseph Zahra, Assistant; Mr. Roberto Pace, Desk Officer for Palestine

22 October 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem  
**Topic:** Fateh-Hamas Reconciliation  
**Participant(s):** Sergio Garcia-Arcos, Norwegian Peace Building Resource Center (NOREF)

26 October 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem  
**Topic:** Palestinian Narrative  
**Participant(s):** Malaysian TV, Kuala Lumpur; Muhammad Yusuff Hassan, Assistant Producer, TV Alhijrah.

29 October 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem  
**Topic:** Releasing Palestinian Detainees and Building Israeli Settlements  
**Participant(s):** Ashraf Shweiki, PalMedia Agency
29 October 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: Peace and Stability in the Middle East

Participant(s): Nicos Panayi, Head of the Representative Office of the Republic of Cyprus.

7 November 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: Swiss Report Concludes Arafat Was Poisoned with Polonium

Participant(s): Ahmad Mashal, Senior Producer, ZDF German Television.

7 November 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: On Palestinian Narratives

Participant(s): Luc van de Goor, Director, Netherlands Institute of International Relations; Bertus Hendriks, Senior Visiting Fellow, Netherlands Institute of International Relations
9 November 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem  
**Topic:** Arafat's Death Anniversary  
**Participant(s):** Michele Giorgio, Middle East Correspondent, Il manifesto.

12 November 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem  
**Topic:** Egypt-Gaza and Internal Palestinian Politics  
**Participant(s):** Hammam Abou Zeid, General Consul Representative Office of the Arab Republic of Egypt.

19 November 2013, Legacy Hotel, Jerusalem  
**Topic:** Israel, Palestinian Internal Politics (Working Dinner)  
**Participant(s):** Matt Hickey, Foreign Affairs Officer, U.S. State Department; Eric Barbee; Political Officer, US Consulate Jerusalem; Tom Melia, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Democracy, Rights & Labor; Olaf Boehnke, Head, Berlin Office, European Council on Foreign Relations; Ingrid Ross, Director of FES, Jerusalem.

20 November 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem  
**Topic:** Palestinian Market Development  
**Participant(s):** Suleiman Aref, Palestinian Market Development Project (PMDP); William Kingsmill, the Policy Practice
25 November 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem  
**Topic:** The Israeli Army  
**Participant(s):** Ayman Abu Ramouz, Cameraman, Al-Mayaden TV. Ali Dawani, Pal Media TV

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25 November 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem  
**Topic:** Palestinian Internal Politics  
**Participant(s):** Rodovan Javorcik, Ambassador, Embassy of the Slovak Republic; Peter Petian, Director, Office of the State Secretary; Peter Burian, State Secretary, Ministry of Foreign and European Affairs of the Slovak Republic.

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25 November 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem  
**Topic:** Palestinian Reconciliation  
**Participant(s):** Geoffrey Corry, Glencree Centre for Peace and Reconciliation, Enniskerry
4 December 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem
**Topic:** American Umbrella for Palestinian-Israeli Negotiations
**Participant(s):** Scott Bobb, Middle East Correspondent, and Voice of America.

5 December 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem
**Topic:** John Kerry’s Visit to the Region
**Participant(s):** Matthew Kalman, Jerusalem Correspondent

5 December 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem
**Topic:** Zionism Today
**Participant(s):** Peder Martin Lysestol, Associate Professor, School of Health Education and Social Work, , Sor-Trondelag College; Roberto Lacono, Assistant Professor, Social Work Program, Faculty of Health Education and Social Work, HiST, Sor-Trondelag University College.
10 December 2013, PASSIA, Jerusalem

**Topic:** Briefing on PASSIA’s work and activities

**Participant(s):** Dr John Iskander, Chair of the Near East and North Africa Area Studies Department at the Foreign Service Institute in Washington; Peter Galus, Deputy Press Attaché, US Consulate General, Jerusalem; Deniz Altayli, PASSIA Program Director; Aseel Fataftah, PASSIA Senior Researcher.