# CONFERENCES

As a major Palestinian academic institution and think tank dealing with international affairs and the Palestine Question, PASSIA is invited to attend many conferences, seminars and workshops that take place at both local and international venues. Listed below are all the conferences that PASSIA was invited to attend and able to participate in throughout 2015 and 2016 (see also chapters on Jerusalem and the Religious Studies Unit for more specific topics).

For more details, conference programs and other related materials please refer to PASSIA's website (www.passia.org).

# 2015

#### 14 April 2015, City Inn Hotel, Ramallah

# <u>Topic:</u> Jerusalem International Conference Program: "Jerusalem: Steadfastness and Resistance"

<u>Organizer(s)</u>: Health Work Committees (HWC); Land Research Center (LRC); Defense for Children International Palestine (DCI) ; Bisan Center for Research and Development; The Alternative Information Center (AIC); Union of Palestinian Women Committees (UPWC)



#### 21 May 2015, Legacy Hotel, Jerusalem

<u>Topic:</u> Jerusalem Tourism: What's Next, Coordination Options and Structures, Political vs. Professional References, the Need for a Jerusalem Fund to Sustain its Momentum? Workshop held by PASSIA as part of the Conference on "Tourism and Palestinian Culture in Jerusalem: Unlimited Opportunities", organized by the Jerusalem Tourism Cluster. <u>Speakers:</u> Dr. Mahdi Abdul Hadi, Chairman of PASSIA, Dr. Diana Buttu, Lawyer (International Law) and former Advisor to the Palestinian Negotiations Team; Mazen Sinokrot, Chairman of the Board of Directors, Al-Quds Holding Co.

Participant(s): Sawsan Safadi, PR Manager; Mahmoud Jaddeh, Tour Guide; Erin Rubesh, Economic Assistant, US Consulate; Hilal Malhis, Legal Translator; Hani Salameh, Manager, Volcano College; Kuniko Takamatsu, Researcher; Ibrahim Dawoud, Mount of Olives Hotel; Rania Elias, Yabous Cultural Center; Enas Muthaffar, Communications Advisor, Mahmoud Abu E.; Dr. Maha Samman, Head of Research Program, Center for Jerusalem Studies, Al-Quds University; Dr. Awad Mansour, Al-Quds University; Fouad Jabr, Arbitrator; Ahmad Safadi, Elia'a Association For Youth; Nidal Rafa, Journalist; Mahmoud Hawari, Curator, British Museum; Abdul Azzeh; Murad Bakri, P.I. Officer, UNSCO; Shilly Switty; Kheir Aweidah, General Manager; Christina Samara, Samara Tours; Wajdi Nammari, Holy Jerusalem Tours; Rudaina Abu Arafeh, NGO Development Center (NDC); Shakib Husseini; Nader Ackall; Areej Deibas, Interpreter; Valerie Feron, French Arabic Radio; Khalil Assali, Journalist; Haitham Haloub, Manager; Shiho Toma; George Rishmawi, Director, ATG; Abdallah Salameh, MDA; Domenico Bearzatto; Tom Selwya, Professor; Ann-Sofie Lasell, Director, Bilda Swedish Christian Study Center; Andrea Ferrari, Manager, ACCOR; Siren Nasereddin Natsheh, AHA; Nadim Al-Jamal, Journalist; Deniz Altayli, Program Director, PASSIA.



## 15 June 2015, MAS, Al-Masyoun, Ramallah <u>Topic:</u> Middle East Political & Economic Challenges & Potentials for Broader Korean-Palestinian Cooperation

<u>Organizer(s)</u>: Korea Institute for International Economic Policy (KIEP); The GCC Institute; Palestine Economic Policy Research Institute - MAS, Ramallah.



#### 29-31 August 2015, Royal Hotel, Amman

<u>Topic:</u> Jordan in a Changing Regional Environment - Scenarios of the Next Stage <u>Organizer(s):</u> Al-Quds Center for Political Studies, Amman; Applied Science Private University, Amman

# 14-15 December 2015, the Hotel Borobudur, Jakarta, Indonesia (apologized) <u>Topic:</u> International Conference on Jerusalem and UN Civil Society Forum on Palestine in Jakarta: "Addressing the Present and Shaping the Future of Jerusalem"

<u>Organizer(s)</u>: UN Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People, in cooperation with the Organization of Islamic Cooperation in Jakarta, Indonesia.

### 16 December 2015, the Hotel Borobudur, Jakarta, Indonesia (apologized) <u>Topic:</u> UN Civil Society Forum on the Question of Palestine: "Civil Society Action in Support of Justice in Palestine - Ending the Occupation"

Organizer(s): UN Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People, in cooperation with the Organization of Islamic Cooperation in Jakarta, Indonesia.

# 2016

23 February 2016, the Headquarters of the Arab League, Cairo, Egypt <u>Topic:</u> Yasser Arafat Foundation's 9<sup>th</sup> Board of Trustees Meeting Organizer(s): Yasser Arafat Foundation (YAF)



# 20-22 October 2016, Jeju Island, Korea <u>Topic:</u> Overcoming the Past: Healing and Reconciliation - Jeju and the World in Comparison

<u>Organizer(s)</u>: Co-hosted by Center for Human Peace and Reconciliation, Yonsei, University, Jeju 4.3 Peace Foundation; Sponsored by Jeju 4.3 Peace Foundation.



21-22 December 2016, Qatar University, Qatar <u>Topic:</u> Trending Middle East Politics: Tentative Dialogues <u>Organizer(s):</u> College of Arts & Sciences, Qatar University, Doha, Qatar

