

6. Conferences & Workshops

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 the years 2010/2011 (see also chapters on *Jerusalem* and the *Religious Studies Unit* for more specific topics):

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16 February 2010, Best Eastern Hotel, Ramallah

Topic: Hamas Political Agenda

Speakers: Dr. Khaled Hroub, *Director of the Cambridge Arab Media Project (CAMP), Centre of Middle Eastern and Islamic Studies, University of Cambridge, UK*

Dr. Abdel Rahim Al-Sheikh, *Chair of the Department of Philosophy and Cultural Studies, Birzeit University*

Prof. Bassem Ezbidi, *Head of the Political Science Department, Birzeit University*

Prof. Helga Baumgarten, *Head of the MA Program Democracy and Human Rights, Birzeit University*

Participants: Naila Zaid Abdel Hadi, Consular Assistant; Kathrin N. Theify, Student; Mohammad M. Ataya, Journalist; Laura Conti, Journalist; Valentine Van Vyve, Journalist; Mahmoud Gamal, Egyptian Diplomat; Lara Hourani; Arturo Pacheco, Journalist; Geert Cockx, Consul General, Belgian Consulate; Volodymyr Shkurov, Head, Representative Office of Ukraine; Lehlohonolo Shadrack Ted Pekane, Ambassador, Representative Office of South Africa; Raed Eshnaiwer, Student; Martin Meyer Hamme, Student; Luis Daniel Hernandez Lugo, Head, Representative Office of Venezuela; Martha H. Mellum, Student; Mohammed Abu Arrah, Journalist; Hind Awwad, BNC Coordinator; Saadeh Salameh, Birzeit University; Khaled Abu Arafah, Engineer; Samera Esmer, Berkeley University of California; Nadia Dibs, International Committee of the Red Cross; Nils Eliasson, Consul General, Swedish Consulate; Dr. Mustafa Abu Sway, Lecturer, Al-Quds University; Sheikh Jamil Hamami, Al-Iman School; Jamil Harb, Associate Professor, Birzeit University; Azza El-Semeiri, Coordinator of IR, Palestinian Center for Democracy and Conflict Resolution; Amira Hass, Journalist, Haartz; Barbara Amstad, Head of Mission, International Committee of the Red Cross; Baker Abu Baker, Fateh Movement; Naofumi Hashimoto, Head, Representative Office of Japan; Hannah Bae, Representative Office of Germany; Alan

Bugeja, Head, Representative Office of Malta; Fajr Harb, Carter Center; Ilana Stettner, KAS, Ramallah; Graeme McIntyre, Head, Representative Office of Canada; James J. Carroll, Head, Representative Office of Ireland; Rosimar da Silva Suzano, Deputy, Representative Office of Brazil; Nicolas Masson, Deputy Head, DCAF; Dareen Khattab, IWC; Samir Hijazi, Accountant; Mutasem Amad; John Hare; Edgar Motsisi, Diplomat; Alexandre Bilodeau, Political Counselor, Canada; Roland Friedrich, Head of Office, DCAF; Thafer Saaideh, Lawyer; Lily Habash; Dr. Yahya Shawar, Palestinian Radiology; Mehmet F. Sekerci, Deputy Chief, Turkish Consulate; Mahmoud Ramahi, General Secretary, PLC; Ahmad Attoun, General Secretary, PLC; Tristan Dunning, Doctoral Candidate; Fadwa El-Sha'er, Ministry of Interior; Rasha Ali, MFI; Rifat Sharawi, Electric Engineer; Murad Bustami; Sami Alalul; Inas Abu Shilbayih; Henrik Meyer, FES; Dalia Hamza, MA Student; Paola Caridi, Journalist; Basel Diab, Assistant of the Ambassador; Representative Office of Venezuel; Mutasem Dweikat, Journalist; Mohammed Salameh, Journalist; Yacub Abu Asab; Administrator; Sam Bahour; Consultant; Joaquin Manrique, Consul, Spanish Consulate; Omar Yosef, Journalist; Arar Ghazaleh, Teacher; Wafa' Abdel Rahman, Filastiniyat; Adnan Al-Sharawi, Trainer; Hatem Rabah Qafaish, PLC Member; Abdel Rahman Fahmi Zeidan, PLC Member; Saed Daoud; Asmahan Thabteh, Red Crescent; Dr. Omar Abdel Razeq, PLC Member.

20 February 2010, Arab League Offices in Cairo

Topic: Yasser Arafat Foundation, Third Meeting of the Board of Trustees

Participants: Members of the Board of Yasser Arafat Foundation.

Main resolutions: Amr Musa, Secretary General of the Arab League, agreed to appoint a Commissioner for Jerusalem Affairs for the Arab League in Cairo and forward this proposal to the Arab summit meeting to be held in Libya in March 2010.



2 July 2010, Paris, France

Topic: Between Pessimism and Optimism: EU Policy Options Across Scenarios

Organizer: The European Union Institute for Security Studies (EUISS)

29-30 November 2010, Kenyon Institute-Jerusalem

Topic: (De)Development Under Prolonged Occupation

Organizer: Council for British Research in the Levant (CBRL)

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3 January 2011, PASSIA Office, Jerusalem

Topic: **Arab Society for Development**

Participant(s): Mohammad Ibrahim Naser Al-Dein; Omar Mustafa Alami; Bashar Al-Azzah; Ahmad Hashem Zughayer; Ziad Qi'war; Mazen Ja'bari; Majd Bader; Khalid Zaki Husseini; Darwish Suliman Hijazi; Yousef Wasef Daher; Hiba Husseini; Munib Al-Masri; Mazen Sinokrot; Khalid Kaloti; Muna Al-Masri; Rabih Al-Masri.

12- 14 March 2011, Doha, Qatar

Topic: **Sixth Al Jazeera Annual Forum: The Arab World in Transition - Has The Future Arrived?**

Organizer: Al-Jazeera Network

31 March 2011, Amman, Jordan

Topic: **Land Day and Commemorating the Late Zafer Masri**

Organizer: Ebal Charitable Society in Amman, Jordan

2 April 2011, PASSIA, Jerusalem.

Topic: **The Second Arab Awakening & Palestine 2011**

Participant(s): ILO Delegation, Investigation Commission; Kari Tapiola, Special Advisor to the Director General; Shauna Olney, Coordinator Equality, Migrant Workers and Indigenous & Tribal Peoples Team, International Labour Standards Department; Tareq Haq Employment Development & Strategies Officer; Martin Oelz Legal Officer And Human Rights Focal Point, International Labour Standards Department; Mounir Kleibo, ILO Representative in West Bank & Gaza Strip.

16 April 2011, Ambassador Hotel, Jerusalem

Topic: **The Second Arab Awakening and the Palestine Question**

Speaker: Dr. Mahdi Abdul Hadi; Head of PASSIA

Participant(s): Khaled Okkeh, Engineer, Shuroq Office; Ziad Sharia, Policy Advisor, Netherlands Representative Office; Lucy Nusseibeh, Institute of Modern Media, Al-Quds University; Jamal Nusseibeh, Law Professor, Al-Quds University; Jamil Hamami, Lecturer, Al-Quds University; Harry Putkrt, Minbuza, Netherlands Representative Office; Fakhri Abu Diab, Al Quds Media; Jihad Zughyar, Hosptravel; Sari Nusseibeh, Head, Al-Quds University; Sabah Bashir, Al-Manar Institution; Mazen Al-Ja'bari, YDD; Munib Al-Masri, PADICO; Kamel Husseini, Director, Elam Tam; Ibrahim Joulani, Businessman; Imad Al-Zaghal, Teacher; Azzam Abu Soud, Director, Jerusalem Arab Chamber of

Commerce & Industry; Cindy Issac, Emergency Officer, UNRWA; Khalil Assali, Jerusalem Press Club; Abdullah Kamal, Educator; Maher Sha'rawi, Businessman; Hazem Qawasmeh, Young Entrepreneurs Palestine Association; Yacoub Abu Assab, Masar Tour Company; Bashar Azzeh, Chairman, Al-Maqdessi Society; Muhammed Dajani, Head, American Studies, Al-Quds University, Osama Rishq, QQHRI; Jamal Ghosheh, Palestinian National Theater; Usama Halabi, Lawyer; Abed Abu Diab; Claudia Martio; Dr. Adel Misk, Neurology; Qusay Abbas, YDD; Chungnam Park; Head, Korean Representative Office, Ramallah; Mutall Immaula; ICRC; Aster Buberger; Student; Samer Dandees; Samir Dandees; Jude Rand, Country Director, CARE; Aziz Haider, Teacher; Hassan Faraj, Palestinian Counseling Center; Inas Halabi, Student; Ziad Abdeen, Student.

3 May 2011, Egypt

Topic: Fourth Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Yasser Arafat Foundation

Organizer: Yasser Arafat Foundation



11 May 2011, Ramallah

Topic: Arab Popular Uprisings and Their Impact on the Palestinian Issue

Organizer: Palestine National Liberation Movement Fateh / Arab Relations Commission & the People's Republic of China

21-22 May 2011, Amman, Jordan.

Topic: Think Tanks and Research in the Levant

Organizer: Democratic Network in the Arab World –Center for Civil Society Studies

23-27 May 2011, Poznan, Poland.

Topic: Modern Societies Leadership, Identity, Cooperation

Organizer: Marshall Office of the Wielkopolska Region

18 June 2011, Best Eastern Hotel, Ramallah

Topic: The Palestinian Question, Public Diplomacy and in the Arab Spring

Speakers: Samir Awad, Lecturer, Birzeit University, Dala Hamed, Researcher on International Studies; Hassan Obeid, Research Assistant, Center for Heritage & Folklore Studies, Ina'ash Al-Usra Society; Murad Shaheen, Lecturer, Birzeit University
Participants: Mohammed Odeh, President Office; Loiy Quraan, Islamic School, Social Work; Shahd Awartani, Student; Rayan Shareef, Student, Birzeit University; Angham Mansour, Student, Birzeit University; Ahmad Abbas, Ministry of Planning; Nour Shannak, Student, Birzeit University; Murad Shahee, Lecturer; Belal Fokah, Student, Birzeit University; Ali Jaradat; Jawad Abu Hinaihin, Student, Birzeit University; Nadia Hajal, Researcher; Diana Ghrinwald, Student.

15-17 September 2011, Bethlehem

Topic: Arab Revolutions and Implications at the Local, Regional and International Levels

Organizer: Centre for Religious Studies and Heritage in the Holy Land, Bethlehem

18 to 20 September 2011, Amman

Topic: Solidarity with Jerusalem and Palestine

Organizer: The Royal Committee for Jerusalem Affairs – Oman Arab Producers with Forum V

Participants: Dr. Ahmad Nawfal, Dr. Hazem Nusseibeh, Dr. Mahdi Abdul Hadi, Lawyer Anis Kassim



1 October 2011, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: Education, Culture and Youth Issues in Jerusalem

Participants:

18 November 2011 , The Polish Institute of International Affairs, Poland

Topic: The Arab Spring and the Palestinian-Israeli Conflict

Speaker: Dr. Mahdi Abdul Hadi

Organizer: The Polish Institute of International Affairs



7-8 December 2011, Evason Ma'in Hot Springs Resort, Jordan

Topic: The 2011 Uprisings and the Arab Israeli Conflict

Organizer: Chatham House, The Royal Institute of International Affairs, London

17 December 2011, St. Paul Guest House, Bethlehem

Topic(Civil Peace Service (Workshop)

Participants: Dr. Peter Huenseler, Regional Director for Israel and Palestine of the German NGO ForumZFD; Dr. Michael Vanlay, Coordinator, AGEH; Naji Owdah; Abuna Emile Salayta; Khitam Saafin; Mahmoud Subuh.