

# "Expert panel: How to achieve a Two-State-solution?"

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Brussels, European Parliament, PHS 1C051

Opening by Prof. Dr. Hans-Gert Pöttering, President of the European Parliament

## 14h30-16h00 **Panel I - Implementation of a Two-State solution**

**Introduction: Bichara KHADER**, Middle East expert and Professor of political science at UCL Louvain-la-Neuve/Belgium

*The Gaza-West Bank Split: a Palestinian State without a single territorial unit?*

**Mahdi ABDUL-HADI**, Director of PASSIA (Palestinian academic society for the study of International Peace)

*What obstacles stand in the way of the establishment of a Palestinian State?*

**Elias SANBAR**, Former Chief Editor of *Revue des Etudes Palestiniennes*, currently Permanent Observer, Mission of Palestine to UNESCO.

16h00-16h30 *Coffee break*

## 16h30-18h00 **Panel II - Conditions of a viable Palestinian State**

**Introduction: Janiki CINGOLI**, Director of the Centro italiano per la Pace in Medio Oriente (CIPMO)

*Towards a Two-State-solution: How to avoid the errors of the past?*

**Moshe AMIRAV**, Head of policy studies in Beit Berl College, Israel. Former advisor to Prime Minister Barak in the Camp David Talks in 2000

*Territorial fragmentation and the viability of a Two-State-solution*

**Oren YIFTACHEL**, Professor, Political Geographer, Ben-Gourion University, Beer Sheva, Israel.