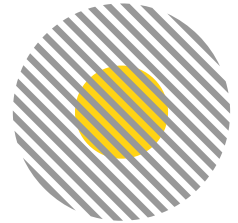


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Panel discussion: Strengthening University–Civil Society Partnership to Defend Student Rights



The International Academic Campaign against Israeli Occupation and Apartheid (IACA) held a high-level panel discussion aimed at advancing strategic cooperation between Palestinian universities and civil society organizations. The session focused on mechanisms for monitoring and documenting the ongoing violations and systematic attacks carried out by the occupying power against the Palestinian academic community.

The discussion featured a distinguished panel of academics and experts, including:

Dr. Ramzi Odeh, Prof. Amjad Barham, Mr. Haitham Arar, Prof. Hussein Shanak, Prof. Ibrahim Al-Sha'er, Dr. Rifaat Al-Sabbah, Dr. Bassim Al-Tamimi, Mr. Hisham Hindi, and Prof. Nour Abu Rob.

Key Recommendations:

1. Initiate and formalize a structured partnership framework between national universities and civil society institutions to systematically track and expose violations committed by the occupying power.
2. Institutionalize the annual observance of the International Day to Protect Education from Attack on September 9, as a platform for advocacy and awareness.
3. Develop a centralized digital hub to document and report all forms of aggression and crimes targeting academic institutions.
4. Establish student-driven monitoring clubs within universities, in collaboration with student councils, to empower youth engagement in documenting violations.



Seminar: Mechanisms to Counter Israeli Measures Against UNRWA



On May 21, 2025, in conjunction with the 77th anniversary of the Nakba, a focused seminar was convened to address the escalating Israeli campaign against the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees (UNRWA). The session featured contributions from Dr. Ramzi Odeh, Mr. Wasel Abu Yousef, Dr. Hasan Breijieh, and Mr. Adnan Abu Hasna, who examined the political, legal, and humanitarian implications of the ongoing pressure on the agency.

Key Recommendations:

1. Reassert the critical importance of ensuring UNRWA's continued operations across its five mandated regions.
2. Strengthen the presence and role of the Palestinian National Authority and its institutions in refugee camps, while upholding UNRWA's responsibilities.
3. Foster collaborative efforts to resolve the issue of closed UNRWA schools in Jerusalem through coordinated legal and diplomatic strategies.



Meeting with the Political Advisor of the South African Embassy



Dr. Ramzi Odeh, Secretary-General of the International Academic Campaign Against Occupation and Apartheid, received Mr. Mfyomngwani, the Political Counselor at the Embassy of South Africa to the State of Palestine, in his office.

Dr. Odeh briefed Mr. Mfyomngwani on the activities of the International Academic Campaign in exposing and rejecting U.S. policies aimed at undermining the student movement that supports the rights of the Palestinian people and calls for an end to the ongoing genocide. He considered the actions taken by U.S. security agencies—such as arrests, fines, and deportations—against students supporting the Palestinian cause to be illegal and inconsistent with the right to freedom of expression and the American Bill of Rights.

Dr. Odeh stressed that double standards are being applied to student movements in support of the Palestinian cause, as pro-Israeli mobilizations are allowed to operate freely, while pro-Palestinian activism is accused of antisemitism.

For his part, Mr. Mfyomngwani affirmed that his country continues to support the Palestinian cause at all official and non-official levels. He emphasized that South Africa's stance stems from its deep belief in the right of oppressed peoples to liberation and emancipation from injustice, tyranny, and racism.



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