



معهد مواطن للديمقراطية وحقوق الإنسان
Muwatin Institute for Democracy and Human Rights

Muwatin's 30th Annual Conference

"The Impact of the Genocide in Gaza on the Future of the World and the Reading of the Palestinian Question"

Held at Birzeit University (Hall 243 – Muwatin Institute) and online
2-3 December 2025

Programme

First Day –Tuesday, 2 December 2025

9:00 Morning Coffee and Registration

9:30 Opening Remarks

Address by the President of Birzeit University

Greeting from Angela Davis

Address by the Director of Muwatin Institute of Democracy and Human Rights

10:00

*Keynote Address by **Gilbert Achcar** titled
"Gaza as the Final Nail in the Coffin of Atlantic Liberalism"*

10:45 Break

11:00 Session I: Structural Transformations in the Global System Chair: **Reem Al-Batmah**

George Giacaman The World After Gaza

Haris Damianidis Palestine as a Focus of Global Conflict

Elif Durmuş Palestine as a Turning Point of "Ownership" of International Law

Salam Butmah Collective Genocide: Humans and Nature in the New Global Order

13:00 *Keynote Address by **Francesca Albanese** on The Latest Legal Developments Concerning the
Palestinian Situation*

13:40 Lunch

14:20 Session II: Local and Regional Conditions on the Backdrop of Global Transformation Chair: **Basil Farraj**

Khalida Jarrar Capitalism and Violence in the Israeli Carceral System in the Time of Genocide

Deenah Tsai The Criminal Liability of Judges and Prosecutors in Israel's Military Courts: Assessing Complicity in Torture and Ill-Treatment of Palestinian Detainees

Michael Roberts The economic role of imperialism in the 21st century in the Middle East

Salim Abuthaheer Gaza Between Genocide and Reimagination: Transformations of Space and Reconstruction Discourse

16:20 *Keynote Address by **KJ Noh** on the Geopolitical Transformations of the World Order*

Second Day – Wednesday 3 December 2025

9:45 Morning Coffee and Registration

10:15 *Keynote Address by **Ralph Wilde** Titled “The Death of International Law”*

11:00 **Session III: The Responsibility to Initiate Change in the Global System** Chair: **Ala’ Al-Azzeh**

Mohammed Juma Ala The East Became the Centre of Global Destruction and Forced to Seek a Free Alternative

Thalia Kruger and Gamze Erdem Turkelli International Law in National Courts

Dana Farraj Legal Challenges and Peoples’ Tragedies in front of the ICJ: Change is Possible

Wouter Vandenhoe Universities as Emancipatory Forces? (De-)Constructing University Human Rights Policies

13:00 Lunch

14:00 **Session IV: Resisting New Fascism and its Manifestations: Solidarity** Chair: **Lena Meari**

Osama Diab The Economic Ontologies of the Palestine Solidarity Movement

Hazem Jamjoum Changing our Theories of Change: A Re-examination in Light of Fascist Intransigence

Bayan Arqawi, Munice AlFar, Tareq Sadeq Political Economies of Protest: Student Activism in Western and Arab Universities amid the Gaza Genocide”

Susan AbulHawa Stories and Streets: Harnessing Indigenous Power

16:00 *Keynote Address by **Declan Kearney** Titled “Another World is Possible”*

Parallel to the conference there will be a display of Birzeit University Museum’s Art Collection of works by the artist, Marwan (Marwan Kassab-Bashi), from pieces under the title "To the Children of Palestine."