

Workshop
Civil Society : A Joint Israeli-Palestinian
Strategy for Peace

Madrid, 10 -12 April 2205

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Participants

Palestinian Participants

- Nedal Jayousy, *Chairman, Palestinian Center of Alternative Solutions – PCAS.*
- Yasser Mohammad AbuKhater, *Lawyer, Member of the Advisory Board of PCAS.*
- Azzam Araj, *Adviser to the Mayor of the Tulkarem Municipality.*
- Mohammed O A Brighith, *Professor at b'lem University and a head of NGO/ Member of PCAS advisory Board.*
- Nidal Foqa, *Coordinator for the Palestinian Civil Society Programs, Palestinian Peace Coalition.*
- Najawa Silwadi, *Head of the Community Center in Jlem, Member of the Advisory Board of PCAS.*

Coordinator: Issa Amer

Israeli Participants

- Yitzhak Frankenthal, *President, TheArik Institute.*
- Daniel Bar-Tal, *Professor of Psychology, School of Education; Director, Walter Lebach Institute for Jewish-Arab Coexistence through Education, Tel Aviv University.*
- Tamar Hermann, *Director, Tami Steinmetz Center for Peace Research, Tel Aviv University; Head of the Democracy Studies (MA) Program, The Open University of Israel.*
- Maya Kahanoff, *Ph.D. in Sociology and Anthropology.*
- Yoram Peri, *Director, Herzog Institute for Media, Politics and Society; Professor of Political Sociology and Communication, Tel Aviv University.*
- Leah Shakdiel, *Lecturer in Jewish and Social Studies, Sapir College y “Be’er” .*
- Ephraim Ya'ar, *Director, The Evens Program for conflict Resolutiona and Mediation, Tel Aviv University.*

Coordinator: Galit Gardiner

Preliminary Programme

Closed Sessions:

10th April – Sunday

12:00 – 17:00 Arrival of Participants and Registration

18:00 – 19:00 Introduction: The Political Dimension

A brief presentation by Prof. Shlomo Ben-Ami and Dr. Azzam Araj

19:00 Social Evening for all Participants

11th April – Monday

09:30 – 11:00 Survey Results : How the Palestinians and Israelis perceive the conflict and each other

Presented by Prof. Eppie Ya'ar

11:00 – 11:30 Coffee Break

11:30 – 13:00 The Current Situation and its Causes

- **Narratives - Oslo Accord to Present.** How narratives form and influence the ability to understand and accept the other.

Presented by Dr. Azzam Araj

- **Between and betwixt narratives.** The challenge of dialogue

Presented by Dr. Maya Kahanoff

13:00 – 14:30 Psychological and Sociological Factors. What are the Barriers, and how to overcome them.

Presented by Prof. Daniel Bartal and Dr. Mohammad Bregeith

14:30 – 16:30 Lunch

16:30 – 18:00 Visions of Peace

The Ideal Vision of Peace vs. The Constraints of Reality. Bridging the gap

Presented by Mr. Yitzhak Frankenthal and Dr. Nedal Jayousy

12th April – Tuesday

09:30 – 11:30 Education as a Means to Promote Peace and Reconciliation

- **Using the Education Establishment**
- **The Role of Civil Society in Education**

Presented by Ms. Leah Shakdiel & Dr. Nedal Jayousy

11:30 – 12:00 Coffee Break

12:00 – 14:00 Media as a means to promote Peace and Reconciliation.

Presented by Prof. Yoram Perry and Mr. Nidal Fuqha

14:00 – 16:00 Lunch

16:00 – 18:00 Non Governmental Organization Strategies for Change

- **The Role of NGO's and Civil Society.** Advancing the Ideal of Reconciliation

Presented by Prof. Tamar Hermann, Najwa Silwasdi and Dr. Yasser Abu Khater

18:00 – 20:00 Conclusions

Public Session

Madrid, 11 April 2005
19:00 - 21:00 hrs.

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Programme

19:00-19:25 Introduction

Welcome and panelists presentation. Emilio Cassinello, *Director General, Toledo Internacional Centre for Peace.*

Overview of the Current Israeli-Palestinian Situation. Shlomo Ben-Ami and Azzam Araj

19:25-19:35 Presentation of the Survey Results: “Mutual Impressions and Perceptions”. Ephraim Ya'ar

19:35-20:00 Debate on the Different Interpretations of the Survey.

Moderator: Shlomo Ben Ami, *Vice-President, Toledo Internacional Centre for Peace*

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20:00-20:15 Purpose and Perspectives of the Platform: " Civil Society : A Joint Israeli-Palestinian Strategy for Peace.

Yitzhak Frankenthal and Nedal Jayousy

20:15-20:45 Open Debate – Q & A