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What future for Palestinians and Israelis? Views from the Palestinian and Israeli civil societies

After decades of a so-called peace process between Palestinians and Israel, not much can be expected from the politicians. Since a long time, the Palestinian and Israeli civil societies have decided to take their fate into their own hands. What are they doing? What are they facing? How do they organise? What is working, what is not? How do they imagine the day after the conflict? How can we help them, here in Europe? On those topics, we will listen to nine highly dedicated Palestinians and Israelis who all share the belief that humans are equal, and every human being is entitled to the same human rights. We will discuss with them, they will discuss together. Music and poetry will be part of the dialogue.

Quel futur pour les Palestiniens et les Israéliens? Regards croisés des sociétés civiles palestinienne et israélienne

Après des décennies d'un prétendu processus de paix entre Palestiniens et Israël, il n'y a plus guère à espérer des politiciens. Depuis longtemps, les sociétés civiles palestinienne et israélienne ont décidé de prendre leur destin en main. Que font-ils? A quoi font-ils face? Comment s'organisent-ils? Qu'est-ce qui fonctionne, qu'est-ce qui ne fonctionne pas? Comment imaginent-ils le lendemain du conflit? Comment pouvons-nous les aider, ici en Europe? Sur ces sujets, nous écouterons neuf Palestiniens et Israéliens engagés qui partagent la conviction que les êtres humains sont égaux et que chacun jouit des mêmes droits. Nous discuterons avec eux, ils discuteront ensemble. La musique et la poésie feront partie du dialogue.

14:00 Opening

14:15 Where are we standing ?

14:45 Testimonies – Facts and actions

The struggle in East-Jerusalem

To educate is to resist

How I came to refuse

When fighters wage peace

16:00 Q & A

16:30 ☕ Coffee break

17:00 🎵 Music performance

17:15 And now? The ways out

To coexist, how? Neve Shalom, a model?

Peace through social change?

The acknowledgement of the Other

Will women change the future?

18:30 Q & A

19:00 Where are we going? (G. Levy)

19:15 Last words to the youth

19:30 ✂ 🎵 📺 Closing party



Jean Asselborn

Luxembourg Minister for Foreign and European Affairs



Gideon Levy

Journalist



Mera Ghoul

Silwan Youth Club (East Jerusalem)



Nabila Kilani

Education (Gaza)



Tamar Alon

Mesarvot (army refusers)



Yonatan Shapira

Boycott from Within



Raida Aiashe Katib

Oasis of Peace



Nisreen Shehada

Standing Together



Eitan Bronstein

De-Colonizer



Huda Abuarquob

Women Wage Peace



Gideon Levy

is an Israeli journalist and author. He writes opinion pieces and a weekly column for the newspaper Haaretz that often focus on the Israeli occupation of the Palestinian territories. He is a member of the newspaper's editorial board. Gideon was the recipient of the Euro-Med Journalist Prize for 2008; the Leipzig Freedom Prize in 2001; the Israeli Journalists' Union Prize in 1997; and The Association of Human Rights in Israel Award for 1996.



Raida Aiashe Katib

Palestinian citizen of Israel, is a history teacher at Wahat as Salam School - Neve Shalom (Oasis of Peace). It is a village established jointly by Jews and Palestinians, all citizens of Israel. The main activity of the village is the educational work for peace, equality and understanding between the two peoples. She teaches history class together with her Israeli Jewish colleague.



Nabila Kilani

lives in Gaza. She's standing for the rights of the Palestinian people, especially children. She's teaching English and French. She founded a Cultural and Educational Training Centre in the North of the Gaza Strip, in the village of Beit Lahia. She is also the founder and director of Amani, a psychological support center for children.



Tamar Alon

is a 21-year-old Israeli refuznik. She refused to do her military service, challenging the oppressive system that the occupation imposes on the Palestinians. For this, she spent 130 days in prison. She has just completed two years of civil service in a shelter for battered women and then in a shelter for teenagers in danger. She is a member of Mesarvot, which encourages and supports the refuzniks.



Yonatan Shapira

a musician and a singer, was a rescue helicopter pilot and captain in the Israeli Air Force. In 2003 he was the initiator of the pilots' letter of refusal, signed by 27 pilots who "refused to follow the illegal and immoral orders of attack on Palestinians in the occupied territories". In 2005, he cofounded Combatants for peace. He is part of Boycott from within, Israelis supporting the BDS movement. He was a crew member on four flotillas attempting to break the Gaza blockade.



Mera Ghoul

is a 23-year-old Palestinian activist. She just finished law school and intends to study also theater and film making. Since a teenager, she's been volunteering in the Youth Club of Silwan. This neighborhood of East Jerusalem is particularly threatened by the expansion of Israeli settlements.



Eitan Bronstein

Israeli, is co-director of De-Colonizer, an alternative research center on Palestine/ Israel. He is the co-author of "The Nakba in Hebrew: Israeli-Jewish Awareness of the Palestinian Catastrophe and Internal Refugees" (available in French). He previously served for over ten years as the coordinator of encounters between Jews and Arabs ; he then co-founded and directed the NGO Zochrot ("remembering").

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Huda Abuarquob

Palestinian, is Regional Director of the Alliance for Middle East Peace, a network of civil society organisations working in conflict transformation and coexistence among Israelis, Palestinians, Arabs and Jews. She is a leading supporter of Women Wage Peace, a grassroots movement with tens of thousands of members committed to a political agreement to resolve the Israeli-Palestinian conflict.

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Nisreen Shehada

a Dr. of chemical engineering and nanotechnology, is a leading member of Standing Together, a grassroots movement of Jews and Arab-Palestinian citizens of Israel, struggling for peace, equality and social justice. Since August 2017 she is heading its Networking and Outreach efforts, building cooperation between the movement and various communities of struggle throughout Israel.



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