

Participation fee

Participation fee and catering (including lunch and dinner but not breakfast)

Standard: 65,00 €/Person
Students: 55,00 €/Person

Accommodation

We can arrange rooms (mostly double rooms) in hotels or guest houses near the conference location. Prices vary from € 30,00 to € 35,00 per person per night including breakfast, single rooms from 50,00 € per person per night including breakfast.

Registration

Registration is possible until 1st May 2013
Register early – seats are limited

Registration per Email: pakos@online.de
Registration per Fax: +49 (0711) 429838

Participation in the conference is conditional on registration and payment in advance. Together with confirmation of your registration you will receive our bank details. Only after your participation fee has been transferred (plus, if you book a hotel, the costs for the hotel) will your registration be complete.

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Conference languages are German and English with simultaneous translation in the plenum.

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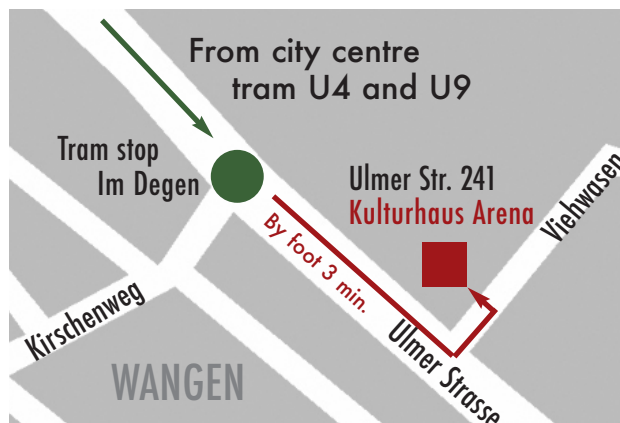
Conference location

Kulturhaus Arena – formerly Theaterhaus
Ulmer Strasse 241
70327 Stuttgart - Wangen
Germany

Evelyn Hecht-Galinski will chair the conference

Evelyn Hecht-Galinski is a Jewish-German author and activist, an outspoken critic of Israel's policies towards Palestinians. She writes weekly commentaries about Zionism, anti-Zionism, anti-Semitism and the conflict in the Middle East.

Getting to the Conference location



Public transport to tram stop *Im Degen*

Tram U4 from *Charlottenplatz* direction *Untertürkheim Bf*
Tram U9 from *Hauptbahnhof* direction *Hedelfingen*
- Travel time each about 15 minutes
- By foot from tram stop to Ulmer Str. 241, about 3 minutes

By car:

From motorway A 8 exit Stuttgart-Zuffenhausen, on to B 10 towards Stuttgart-Wangen
From motorway A 81 exit Esslingen, on to B 10 towards Stuttgart-Ost

You can park in Viehwesen Strasse and along Ulmer Strasse

Second Palestine Solidarity Conference in Stuttgart, Germany

10th to 12th May 2013

The People Demand a Change of Political System in Historic Palestine

Working together for One Democratic State



Organizer:

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2nd Palestine Solidarity Conference in Stuttgart

For the last two years, people in the Arab region have been trying to take things into their own hands. Their main demand is a change in the political system, bringing social justice, democracy, freedom and self-determination. Foreign powers, parts of the political Islamic movement and members of the old structures seek to control these movements for change. People in the whole area of historic Palestine are part of this regional movement.

But militarism, racism, apartheid and the denial of rights to the Palestinian majority in historic Palestine characterize the policy of the state of Israel. This is true of parties from the extreme right through to the liberal left. Egregious expulsions and discrimination against Palestinians inside the Green Line, an intensified land grab as part of the settlement building in and around Jerusalem and in the West Bank or the devastating bombing of civilians in Gaza – all in violation of international law – draw from US and EU leaders at most weak admonishments. Israel need fear no consequences: the basic human right of return of Palestinian refugees is no longer mentioned. Commentators seem helpless when they consider a solution to the so-called Palestine Question.

Our conference will show an alternative way to a just peace. How can the current apartheid state in historic Palestine be overcome, clearing the way for a democratic state for all its citizens and providing for the right of return of Palestinians? What can the European solidarity movement do to overcome the current appalling condition of human rights in historic Palestine? Especially here in Germany, a supporter of apartheid-Israel and of dictatorial Arab regimes, what can be done to bring about real change?

Friday 10th May 2013

5.30 pm Registration and Dinner

7.00 pm Opening Address

Verena Rajab – Journalist, Palestine Solidarity Committee Stuttgart
Evelyn Hecht-Galinski Patron, Author/Journalist, Germany

7.30 pm

Richard Falk – Emeritus Professor for International Law, Princeton University; United Nations Special Rapporteur, USA

BDS and the perspective for one democratic state in Palestine

Ilan Pappé – Professor of History, Exeter University, England
Palestine after the UN-Resolution: a turning point?

Joseph Massad – Professor of Modern Arab Politics and Intellectual History at Columbia University, New York, USA
Zionism, antisemitism and the Palestine question

Moderation: Ian Portman – publisher, web-developer, Palestine Solidarity Committee Stuttgart, Germany

Saturday 11th May 2013

8.30 am Coffee, Tea and Refreshments

9 am

Haneen Naamnih – Lawyer and writer, Palestine
The Jewish National Fund, the Prayer-Plan in Negev, citizenship in a settler colonial state and the struggle for the land

Yoav Bar – Former member of the steering committee of Abnaa Al-Balad, Initiator of the Haifa Conference for ODS, Palestine
The common democratic state: preconditions and realization. Initiatives in Palestine and Germany

Moderation: Ivesa Lübben – Research associate at Marburg University, Germany

10.45 am Coffee, Tea and Refreshments

11.15 am

Ilan Pappé – Professor of History, Exeter University, UK
The One State Solution: Utopia, bitter reality or realistic alternative for a just peace in historic Palestine?

Raji Sourani – Director of the Palestinian Centre for Human Rights, Gaza, Palestine
Israeli War crimes, the human rights situation in historic Palestine and the decisions of the Russell-Tribunal

Moderation: Norman Paech – Emeritus Professor of International Law, Hamburg, Germany

1 pm Lunch

2.15 pm

Ghada Karmi – Doctor of Medicine, Research Fellow at Exeter University, UK
The right of return and the one-state solution. How can it be implemented?

Samah Idriss – PhD Columbia University, NY, co-founder of CBSI, activist against zionism and the sectarian system in Lebanon
The Arab revolutions and perspectives for civil resistance – outlook for a boycott of the apartheid state, Israel

Moderation: Birgit Althaler – Translator, Palestine Solidarity Basel, Switzerland

4 pm Coffee, Tea and Refreshments

4.30 pm

Mhamed Krichen – one of the best known journalists at Al Jazeera; reported on the events of the Arab uprising, Tunisia

The Arab revolutions and their influence on the Palestine question

Asaad Abu Khalil – Professor for Political Science, California State University, Stanislaus, USA

Resistance and liberation from dictatorship and settler colonialism in the age of Political Islam

Moderation: Willi Langthaler – Author/journalist, Vienna, Austria

6.15 pm Dinner

8 pm

Arab songs and music Samir Mansour and the Hiwar Choir
Samir Mansour is a Palestinian musician and composer, Stuttgart, Germany

Sunday 12th May 2013

8.30 am Coffee, Tea and Refreshments

9 am

Atifa Rajab – Civil Engineer, Palestine Solidarity Committee, Stuttgart, Germany
Two states / one state: the solidarity movement in Germany at a turning point

Hermann Dierkes – Member of Duisburg City council and of the Party Die Linke, Germany
Israel as a national interest for Germany and the solidarity movement

Shir Hever – Economist with the Alternative Information Center, PhD, candidate at the Free University of Berlin, Germany
Military cooperation between Israel, the European Union and Germany; a global context of Israeli militarism

Moderation: Reinhold Riedel – Agricultural economist, Palestine Solidarity Committee Stuttgart, Germany

10.45 am Coffee, Tea and Refreshments

11.15 am

Podium discussion: Perspectives for a new political system in historic Palestine

I.Pappé, J. Massad, Asaad Abu Khalil, Raji Sourani, Ghada Karmi, Haneen Naamnih, Yoav Bar, Shir Hever, H. Dierkes

Moderation: Mhamed Krichen – Journalist at Al Jazeera, Tunisia

1.15 pm Lunch (End of conference)