





# **Europe's Role in the Resolution of the Palestinian-Israeli Conflict**

2<sup>nd</sup> Annual International Conference

A Meeting for Palestinian, Israeli and European Peacebuilding Organizations

### Il ruolo dell'Europa nella risoluzione del conflitto Israelo-Palestinese

Incontro di ONG Palestinesi, Israeliane ed Europee impegnate per la Pace

September 19-20, 2008 Pisa, Italy

## **Draft Program**

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פורום ארגוני השלום הפלסטיני ישראלי منتدى مؤسسات السلام الفلسطينية - الاسر ائيلية Palestinian Israeli Peace NGO Forum

### Thursday, September 18th

Pisa - Hotel/Centro Congressi Arrival of Israeli and Pa lestinian delegations

7:00 Evening Program

Friday, September 19th

Centro Congressi: MY ONE Hotel Galilei, Pisa

9:00 Registration

10:00 Welcome & Introductory Session

Mr. Marco Filippeschi, Mayor of Pisa

Mr. Andrea Pieroni, President Province of Pisa

### 10:30 Introductory Remarks

Prof. Massimo Toschi, Regional Minister of Peace and Reconciliation Mr. Saman Khoury, Palestinian Co -chair, Palestinian -Israeli Peace NGO Forum Dr. Ron Pundak, Israeli Co -chair, Palestinian -Israeli Peace NGO Forum Ms. Anne Ludvigsson, PM Swedish Parliament and Board of Olof Palme International Center

### 11:30 Coffee break

#### 12:00 Political Panel

Snapshot to current Palestinian and Israeli political situation

Mr. Gadi Baltiansky, Geneva Initiative

Mr. Jamal Zakout, Prime Minister Advisor

Mr. Qadura Fares, PLC members

Dr. Ron Pundak, Peres Center for Peace

Moderator: Dr. Sarah Ozacky-Lazar, PIPNF

### 13:30 Lunch









### 15:00 1st Workshop on current political issues\*:

- a. The Peace Process in 2008 -2009: Prospects for an agreement, or, constructive and cooperative responses to a deteriorating situation
- b. The Arab Peace Initiative: Regional peacebuilding potential (\* Divide into 5 groups)

### Moderators:

- 1. Dr. Azam Al Araj, Director, Palestinian Center for Alternative Solutions
- 2. Ms. Molly Malekar, Director, Bat Shalom
- 3. Dr. Ron Kronish, Director, Inter religious Coordinating Council in Israel
- 4. Dr. Taleb Al Harithi, Director, Palestinian Peace Society
- 5. Ms. Vivian Silver, Executive director, NISPED

### 16:30 Coffee break

### 17:00 2nd Workshop on Israeli, Palestinian, European civil society cooperation \*

How to build Israeli-Palestinian peace through trilateral cooperation - How to create an effective and sustainable coalition? What to learn from past mistak es? (\* Continue in the same division)

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### 19:45 Dinner with Keynote speaker

Dr. Sari Nusseibeh, President of Al -Quds University

#### 21:00 Visit to Pisa







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Saturday, September 20<sup>th</sup>

Centro Congressi: MY ONE Hotel Galilei, Pisa

9:00 Opening session: EU as a Model - A Middle East Community
Mr. Alex Maskey Sinn Fein MLA for South Belfast
Prof. Johan Galtung, Transcend

10:00 Experts panel ''sharing knowledge, learning from experience''
Sharing examples from conflict regions around the world and what can be learned from their evolution

Dr. David Bloomfield, Glencree Center for Peace abnd Reconciliation, Irelnad

Dr. Rhoda Kadalie, Impumelelo Inv. Award Trust, S.Africa

Dr. Marwan Darweish, Responding to Conflict, UK

Mr. Simon Fisher, Co-Writer "Open letter to peacebuilders", UK

Moderator: Mr. Saman Khoury, PIPNF

### 11:00 Coffee break

### 11:30 3rd Workshop on civil society intervention in conflict regions \*

Europe's Leadership Role in Peacebuilding and the Lessons Palestinians, Israelis and Europeans can learn from one another's Aid, Skills, and Expertise (Divide into 5 groups\*)

### 1. EU as a model – a Middle East Community

Leader: Prof. Johan Galtung, Transcend, Norway

Co-leader: Ms. Nisreen Hajmohammed

## 2. Transforming the discourse of violence and despair: RTC international experience

Leader: Dr. Marwan Darweish, Responding the conflict, UK

Co-leader: Mr. Shmulik David







## 3. Ethics and Morals: how important are they in peacebuilding work? Do they unite or divide us?

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Leader: Mr. Simon Fisher, Co-Writer "Open letter to peacebuilders", UK Co-leader: Ms. Rutie Atsmon

### 4. Reconciliation, Justice and Other Disputed Terms in Conflict Resolution

Leader: Dr. David Bloomfield, Glencree Center for Peace abnd Reconciliation, Irelnad Co-leader: Dr. Noah Salameh

# 5. Bridges between Political and Grassroots leadership: The importance of the EU peace dividend programs in building partnership and reconciliation in N. Ireland

Leader: Mr. Alex Maskey, Sinn Fein MLA for South Belfast , Ireland Co-leader: Mr. Nidal Fugha

### 13:00 Lunch

Meeting with the Tuscany local authorities and civil society for cooperation and peace in Mediterranean and Middle E ast

# 14:00 Continue Workshops on civil society intervention in conflict regions Europe's Leadership Role in Peacebuilding and the Lessons Palestinians, Israelis and Europeans can learn from one another's Aid, Skills, and Expertise

### 15:30 Peace, the challenge of the future

Dr. Claudio Martini, President of the Region of Tuscany

### Italy and Europe for cooperation and peace in the Middle East

Dr. Stefano Cacciaguerra, Coordinator for Decentralized Cooperation, Ministry of Foreign Affairs Italy

Ms. Luisa Morgantini – Vice President of European Parliament

### Local authorities for Cooperation and Peace in the Middle East

Presentation of the III European Conference -Venice 25/27 September 2008

Mr. Flavio Lotti - Association of Italian Local Authorities for peace

Mr. Isam Akel - Association of Palestinain Local Authorities -Executive Director





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### Presentation Med Cooperation Project

### The ENPI CBC Mediterranean Programme

Ms .Daniela Ferrara, Region of Sardinia

### 16:30 Coffee break

### 16:50 Closing Civil Society Panel

How to build Israeli-Palestinian peace through trilateral cooperation? Presenting 5 project propos als

Palestinian-Israeli Peace NGO representatives

European civil society representatives

Moderator: Prof. Massimo Toschi

### 19:45 **Dinner**

### 21.00 Visit to Lucca

The conference will feature Live on "live.in toscana.it" By www.intoscana.it

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