



**The Ph.D. Program in the Social Sciences presents:  
The Second International Graduate Student Conference in the Social Sciences  
January 20-21, 2023**

**“Critical Perspectives on Settler Colonialism: Space, Memory, and  
Everyday Life”**

<b>First Day</b> Friday 20, January, 2023 Institute of Law Annex (Room 243)		
8:30-9:00 AM	<b>Registration</b>	
9:00-9:40 AM	<b>Welcoming Remarks:</b> <b>Opening speech (Bilal Shalash)</b> <b>Dr. Beshara Doumani, President, Birzeit University</b> <b>Dr. Asem Khalil, Dean of Graduate Studies and Research</b> <b>Dr. Rema Hammami, Director PhD Program in the Social Sciences</b> <b>Student member of the Conference Organizing Committee (Natalie Salameh)</b>	
<b>First Session</b> <b>Colonial Transformations of Ecology and Agriculture</b> Moderator: Dr. Rania Jawad		
9:40-10:00 AM	Alaa Iktash	Palestinian socio-ecological life in Palestine/Israel after 1948
10:00-10:20 AM	Abdulla Moaswes (Via Zoom)	Globalized Settler Transformation in Real Time: The Ecological Effects of the Capitalist Cross-colonisation of Kashmir and Palestine
10:20-10:40 AM	Faiq Mari (Via Zoom)	Youth agricultural cooperatives in the Palestinian central highlands (West Bank): a model emerging from the contradictions of peripheralization
10:40-11:00 AM	Narendra Kumar (Via Zoom)	A Case Study of Agrarian Structure and Production Relations in rural Bihar: Comparison with the Colonial Period
11:00-11:20 AM	<b>DISCUSSION</b>	
11:20- 11:35 AM	<b>Coffee Break</b>	

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11:35- 12:15 PM	<b>Keynote I</b> <b>Dr. Jilali Al- Mistari</b> <b>“The Official Historical Narrative and the Stakes of Local Memory: Elements for a Debate on Memory Politics in Algeria Today”</b> Facilitator: Yasmin Qaadani	
<b>Second Session</b> <b>Colonial Political Economies</b> Moderator: Dr Mudar Kassis		
12:15-12:35 PM	Omar Qassis	Class and Urban Transformations; Municipality and Land in Birzeit
12:35-12:55 PM	Walid Habbas	The Political Economy of the Indigenous : The Growth of Palestinian Smugglers
12:55 –1:15 PM	Samar Al-Saleh <i>(Via Zoom)</i>	Zionist Engineering of Forced Labor: Prison Camps and Settler-Colonies
1:15-1:30 PM	<b>DISCUSSION</b>	
<b>1:30–3:00 PM LUNCH BREAK</b>		
<b>Third Session</b> <b>Colonial Legacies in the Present</b> Moderator: Dr. Ala Alazzeq		
3:00-3:20 PM	Ashraf Badr	Colonial paternalism and Palestinian agency under Israeli military rule in the 1967 territories (1967-1981) / Agriculture as an entry point
3:20-3:40 PM	Hassan Al- Naser <i>(Via Zoom)</i>	Colonial Spectrum: the Genealogy of University Street in Khartoum
3:40-4:00 PM	Khaled Tabbabi <i>(Via Zoom)</i>	Protest movements in the transitional context of the mining cities in the southwest of Tunisia
4:00 – 4:20 PM	Morad Kasmi <i>(Via Zoom)</i>	Questioning the Humanitarianism of so-called Humanitarian Assistance during the Rif War: Morocco (1921-1926)
4:20- 4:40 PM	<b>DISCUSSION</b>	

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**Second Day**  
 Saturday 21, January, 2023  
**Institute of Law Annex (Room 243)**

**First Session**  
**Colonizing and Decolonizing Space/ Spatial Practices**  
 Moderator: Dr. Munir Fakher Eldin

9:00- 9:20 AM	Avdhesh Kumar <i>(Via Zoom)</i>	Colonization of Working Space and Workers in the Digital Age: A Case Study of Business Process Outsourcing Industry in India
9:20 – 9:40 AM	Namaa Qudah <i>(Via Zoom)</i>	The role of everyday borders and paths of movement in shaping the space of Al Wehdat Refugee Camp in Jordan
9:40 – 10:00 AM	Virginia Di Bari	Interspaces between virtual and physical reality. Developing future imaginaries through immersive experiences
10:00 – 10:20 AM	Ruhail Syed	Anti-Colonial Refusals, Third Spaces, and the Logic of Elimination in Kashmir
10:20- 10:40 AM	Noura Salah Al-Deen/ Hanna Al-Taher	Border-crossing - The Bridge as Border, The Bridge as Crossing
10:40- – 11:00 AM	DISCUSSION	

11:00- 11:15 AM **Coffee Break**

**Second session**  
**Gendered Experiences/ Feminist Analytics**  
 Moderator: Dr. Lena Meari

11:15- 11:35 AM	Sukrita Lahiri	Unpacking Zionism and Hindutva: Towards a Decolonial-Feminist IR Approach
11:35- 11:55 AM	Maram Theodory <i>(Via Zoom)</i>	Constructions of Disability: Motherhood and Disability Activism in Palestine
11:55 – 12:15 PM	Azeemah Saleem	Social Media and the Voice of Palestinian Women Activists: A Tool of Resistance and Discourse Formation
12:15- 12:30 PM	DISCUSSION	

12:30- 2:00 PM **LUNCH BREAK**

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2:00 – 2:40 PM	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Keynote II</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Dr. Nadim Rouhana</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>“Settler Colonialism as a Process: Reflections on Palestinian Agency and the Transformation of Settler Colonialism in Palestine”</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Facilitator: Muntaha Abed</b></p>	
<p><b>Third Session</b></p> <p><b>Counter-memory Practices/ Assertions of Cultural Identity</b></p> <p>Moderator: Dr. Rana Barakat</p>		
2:40—3:00 PM	Christopher Reid	The educational settler state: Examining the colonialism of public schooling in Canada
3:00- 3:20	Swati Simha	Mimesis and Social-Order–The politics of “Cultural Affirmation” in Karnataka
3:20- 3:40 PM	Giacomo Paci <b>(Via Zoom)</b>	Preserving indigenous memory through art: Palestinian folktales and water springs stories in the work of Jumana Emil Abboud
3:40- – 4:00 PM	Caio Porto <b>(Via Zoom)</b>	Arab food in everyday lives of diasporic Palestinian youth in Brazil: the case of Juventude Sanaúd.
4:00- 4:20 PM	<b>DISCUSSION</b>	

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