# **Participation fee**

Participation fee and catering (including lunch and dinner, without accomodation and breakfast)

 For Organisations:
 50,00 €/Person

 Standard:
 40,00 €/Person

 Students:
 30,00 €/Person

### **Hotels**

We can arrange rooms (mostly double rooms) in hotels or guest houses near the conference location (prices vary from 25,00 € to 35,00 € per person/per night including breakfast)

# Registeration

Registration is possible until mid-October 2010

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

Together with the confirmation of your registration you will get our bank details. Only after the participation fee has been transferred (plus, if you book a hotel, the costs for the hotel) will your registration be complete.

# **Inquieries**

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# **Conference Management**

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



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Conference location
Waldheim Gaisburg
Obere Neue Halde 1
70186 Stuttgart - Germany

# Felicia Langer will chair the conference

A well-known lawyer and famous human rights activist. She has defended accused Palestinians, fought against land confiscation, house demolition, deportation, torture, denial of documents etc. She has published numerous books which were translated into various languages In 1990 she received the Alternative Nobel Peace Prize (Right Livelihood Award) and became an honorary citizen of the city of Nazareth; in 1991 the Bruno-Kreisky-Foundation honoured her with their award of merit for services to human rights. In March 2005, Felicia Langer was awarded with the "Erich-Mühsam-Prize" for her continuous struggle for the human rights of the Palestinian people. In 2009 she also received the Bundesverdienstkreuz 1.Klasse.)

# **Getting to the Conference location**

Public Transport: Take U 15 at main train station in the direction of Ruhbank (Fernsehturm) or Heumaden. Get off at Geroksruhe from where we will organize further transport.

By car from city centre: Turn into Pflasteräckerstrasse at the second traffic light after Wagenburgtunnel. At the end of the street turn into Hornbergstrasse and then immideately into Bruckenschlegel. Follow the street upwards to Waldheim Gaisburg.

By car from above: At Geroksruhe turn to the right in the direction Wangener Höhe. Turn left at the sports ground and drive down hill to Waldheim Gaisburg.

# Supported by:

- Palestine-Middle-East-Initiative, Heidelberg
- Flüchtlingskinder im Libanon e. V. (Association for Refugee Children in Lebanon)
- The German Party "DIE LINKE" Stuttgart Group
- The Jewish-Arab and Free Citizens' Collective for Freedom in Palestine, Strasbourg (Collectif Judéo Arabe et Citoyens pour la Paix, Strasbourg)
- Revd (ret.) Karl Schmidt: Founder of the "Free Nelson Mandela" movement and one of the founders of the Anti-Apartheid-Movement (AAB) in Western Germany
- SALAM SHALOM Palestine Israel Work Group e.V. Munich
- Café Palestine Freiburg

# **Palestine Solidarity Conference in Stuttgart** 26th to 28th of November 2010 **Separated in the Past -Together in the Future Obstacles and Perspectives** for a Just Solution

Organized by Palestine Solidarity Committee in Stuttgart, Germany palaestinakomitee-stuttgart.de

# **Palestine Solidarity Conference in Stuttgart**

The unresolved conflict between the State of Israel and the Palestinians has already lead to several wars and is an obstacle to development in the whole region. A just solution on the basis of international law seems impossible.

Hopes for a two-state solution during the Oslo peace negotiations during the 90s were shattered due to the lack of willingness of Israel to accept a viable Palestinian state.

The recent increase of the national-religious and radical right in Israel exacerbates the situation of the Palestinians and the neighbouring states. Israel has little to fear from influential parties and politicians in Germany. Despite frequent military engagements and occupations, Germany continues to arm that state with substantial military equipment. In the economic and political spheres, most federal politicians appear blind to the human rights violations of the Israeli state. Seeking to justify this attitude with reference to the Nazi terror regime is quite inappropriate since this moral burden sets for Germany an especially high standard in respect for human rights - particularly when violations are associated with ethnic cleansing and the displacement of populations.

Our conference will seek to make clear the causes of the disastrous course of events in the so-called Middle-East conflict. We will assess the chances for a one-state solution which we consider to be the most humane and realistic model available. We will also discuss what practical measures we in Germany can take to support the civil resistance of the Palestinians against occupation and discrimination. In our view, here we see the best chance eventually to achieve a just solution.

# Friday 26th November 2010

6 pm Registration and Dinner

#### 7.30 pm

Verena Rajab (Journalist, Palestine Soldarity Committee Stuttgart) Felicia Langer (Protectress of the conference, Israeli lawyer and human rights activist - Tübingen) Opening - Introductory Remarks

#### 8 pm

Mazin Qumsiyeh (Birzeit University Ramallah - Palestine)
Civilian resistance against occupation and apartheid

Haidar Eid (Al Agsa University Gaza - Palestine) Analogies between Apartheid Southafrica and Israel and the current situation in Palestine

Chair: Palestine Soldarity Committee

# Saturday 27th November 2010

8.30 am Coffee, Tea and Refreshments

Annette Groth (Speaker for Human Rights Policy of the DIE LINKE party in the German Federal Parliament - Stuttgart) The Responsibility of the Germans towards the Palestinians and the Consequences for the German Left

Jörg Lang (German lawyer and activist for Palestinian rights, Stuttgart)

The German Left, the Holocaust and Solidarity with the Palestinians (Experience from the 60s until now)

Chair: Gabi Weber (Medical scientist, Café Palestine - Freiburg)

10.45 am Coffee, Tea and Refreshments

#### 11.15 am

Ilan Pappe (Historian of the Middle East, Exeter University - UK) Ethnic Cleansing in Palestine and the Palestinians' Right of Return

Ali Abunimah (Palestinian-American journalist, co-founder of Electronic Intifada, Chicago - USA)

A One State Solution in Palestine/Israel and a Just Peace

Chair: Sophia Deeg (Author and Journalist - Berlin)

1 pm Lunch

#### 2.15 pm

Rawiya Shanty (Forensic psychologist and activist - Paris) The Apartheid Laws against the Palestinians in Israel and the Civilian Popular Resistance

Attia Rajab (Civil engineer - Stuttgart) and Verena Rajab (Journalist - Stuttgart) The "Wald deutscher Länder" (The Forest of Ambassadors in Negev) and the Policy of the Jewish National Fund in the Negev towards the Palestinians

Chair: Johannes Schmidt (Psychologist and member of the executive board of the party DIE LINKE Stuttgart)

4 pm Coffee, Tea and Refreshments

#### 4.30

Ilan Pappe (Historian of the Middle East, Exeter University - UK) Zionist Ideology in Israel and its overcome

Evelyn Hecht-Galinski (Publicist - Malsburg-Marzell) The Difference between Anti-Zionism and Antijudaism and the Necessity to critizise the Racism within the State of Israel also in Germany

Chair: Joachim Guillard (Author, expert for Middle East politics, Heidelberg)

#### 6.15 pm Dinner

#### 8 pm

Julianna Herzberg (Actress - Stuttgart)

A Journey to Jerusalem (Play)

Stage director: Veronika Steinböck

Samir Mansour (Palestinian Musician and Composer - Stuttgart)

Arab music with his Ensemble

# Sunday 28th November 2010

8.30 pm Coffee, Tea and Refreshments

#### 9 pm

Ali Abunimah (Palestinian-American journalist, co-founder of Electronic Intifada, Chicago - USA) International Strategies and Concepts for the Support of Civil Resistance in Palestine

Norman Paech (Professor for international law emeritus and former member of the German Parliament - Hamburg) The role of international law in the conflict and the resulting perspectives for actions (especially for Initiatives against the **Armament Cooperation with Israel** 

Chair: Mohammad Maragtan (Middle Eastern Studies -University of Mainz)

10.45 pm Coffee, Tea and Refreshments

#### 11.15 pm

#### Final Discussion with

Mit Ilan Pappe, Mazin Qumsiyeh, Evelyn Hecht-Galinski, Haider Eid, Annette Groth and Ali Abunimah

Perspectives and Obstacles for a Just Solution in Palestine/Israel

Chair: Roberto Sanchez (Journalist - Stuttgart)

13.15 pm Lunch (End of conference)