New Thinking for Post-Oslo Palestine

2018 Just Peace Advocates Canadian Tour

with Jonathan Kuttab

From September 24 to October 12, 2018.
Locations in Nova Scotia, Newfoundland, British Columbia, and Ontario
Events in partnership with Just Peace Advocates, Al Haq and local sponsors

Description of Event
A Palestinian International Human Rights Lawyer's Perspective.

Hear what is happening currently on the ground in Palestine from respected international human rights lawyer, Jonathan Kuttab.

Palestine is at a watershed moment. The Deal of the Century, the move of the US Embassy to Jerusalem and the ending of UNRWA funding by the Trump Administration, are a few of the current issues.

25 years post-Oslo, a two state solution is no longer feasible. This being the case what is the solution? What is the role of Canadian civil society? How do we hold our Canadian government accountable in this regard under international and domestic law?

POST-OSLO PALESTINE/WHAT DEAL OF THE CENTURY
NEW THINKING, CHALLENGES & OPPORTUNITIES

Monday, September 24, 7 to 9 PM
New Thinking for Post-Oslo Palestine: Challenges & Opportunities
Room 330 Schwartz Building
St. Francis Xavier University,
Antigonish, Nova Scotia

Tuesday, September 25, 7 to 9 PM

New Thinking for Post-Oslo Palestine: Challenges & Opportunities

NOTE NEW VENUE:
Room 170, Loyola Building
St Mary's University
923 Robie Street, Halifax

Thursday, September 28, 7 to 9 PM

New Thinking for Post-Oslo Palestine: Challenges & Opportunities
the Lantern--A Christian Centre
35 Barnes Road
St. John's, Newfoundland

Friday, September 28, 7:30 to 9:30 PM

New Thinking for Post-Oslo Palestine: Challenges & Opportunities
Unitarian Congregation of Niagara
233 Church Street
St. Catharines, Ontario

Monday, October 1, 7 to 9 PM

New Thinking for Post-Oslo Palestine: Challenges & Opportunities
University of British Columbia (UBC), Vancouver, Room to be Determined

Wednesday, October 3, 7 to 9 PM

New Thinking for Post-Oslo Palestine: Challenges & Opportunities
Comox United Church, 250 Beach Dr, Comox, British Columbia V9M 1P9

Tuesday, October 9, 7 PM to 9 PM
New Thinking for Post-Oslo Palestine: Challenges & Opportunities
Avon Mennonite Church, 90 Greenwood Dr, Stratford, Ontario

Wednesday, October 10, 7 PM TO 9 PM
What deal of the Century? Peacemaking in the age of Trump and Netanyahu

Event with Beit Zatoun

Friends House, 60 Lowther Ave, Toronto

Palestinian human rights lawyer, Jonathan Kuttab, examines the present configuration of forces and personalities leading to current outlook for justice and peace for Palestine and Israel. He is concerned by what he sees as the continued erosion of human rights for all Palestinians under Israel's control and the rightward shift of Israeli society and state. Yet he is still hopeful that the present forces can be undone and situation reversed with our help.

Other Related Events

Threat to Masjid Al Aqsa

Saturday, September 29, 7 PM to 9 PM

Threat to Masjid Al Aqsa

What is happening at Masjid Al Asqa and in Al Quds and what does this mean to us in Canada?

Islamic Society of York Region
1380 Stouffville Road, Richmond Hill, Ontario

Sunday, September 30, 6 PM to 9 PM
Threat to Masjid Al Aqsa

What is happening at Masjid Al Asqa and in Al Quds and what does this mean to us in Canada?

Muslim Centre-Vancouver
2122 Kingsway, Vancouver

Holy Land Focus

Tuesday, October 2, 7 PM to 9 PM
The Holy Land: International Law and Scriptural Perspectives
Northwest Auditorium, Trinity Western University student invitation, Langley, British Columbia

Thursday, October 4, 7 to 9 PM
The Future of Jerusalem in the Time of Trump
A104, DTB/David Trump Building,
University of Victoria, 3800 Finnerty Road, Victoria British Columbia

Friday, October 5, 11 AM to 1:30 PM
Palestine at the Crossroads: A Christian Palestinian Human Right
Room 119, entrance at 932 Balmoral Road, First Metropolitan Unitarian Church, 2829 Douglas Street, Victoria
The Trump administration’s decision to move the US Embassy to Jerusalem and end UNRWA funding for refugees introduces new challenges to the Palestinians, including the Christian Palestinian minority. Hear what is happening currently on the ground in Palestine from respected international human rights lawyer Jonathan Kuttab.

Special Events: Panels and Workshops
CHILDREN RIGHTS IN THE REALITY OF ONGOING GLOBAL COLONIZATION

September 28th, 2 to 4 PM

*Children's Rights in Reality of Ongoing Global Colonization*

with Children and Youth Studies Union, Ryerson University

**NOTE LOCATION:** Friends House, 60 Lowther Ave Toronto

**Speakers:**

- Jonathan Kuttab, International Human Rights Lawyer
- Tori Cress, leader of the Idle No More movement
- Swathi Sekhar, immigration lawyer

The United Nation's Convention on the Rights of the Child: Perceptions and Reality in the Context of Ongoing Global Colonization

This panel brings together academics, international law experts, human rights activists and child & youth professionals to look at:

- the vision of the United Nation's Convention on the Right of the Child, and
- the reality is for indigenous populations here on Turtle Island, for immigrant and refugees to Canada, along with the role Canada plays internationally related to children.

This is an opportunity to understand realities and consider the real advocate role called for by the child and youth professionals, policy makers, academics, and others.

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**EFFECTIVE STUDENT ADVOCACY FOR HUMAN RIGHTS**

September 29, 11 AM to 3 PM

Student event in Toronto
Effective Student Advocacy for Human Rights In the Ford Era

Students and allies: be ready for the reality of advocacy for human rights, free speech and international law on campuses across Ontario in this era of Ford.

"Colleges and universities should be places where students exchange different ideas and opinions in open and respectful debate," said Ford in press release August 30. "Our government made a commitment to the people of Ontario to protect free speech on campuses. Promise made, promise kept." Universities and colleges are mandated to implement this free speech policy by January 1, 2019.

What does does this mandated change mean for those who stand against human rights and international law violations in Palestine? What consultation process are being put in place at universities and colleges across Ontario, and what learnings are there for campuses across Canada.

Also, pro-Israel groups have indicated the code of conduct for all universities in Canada will be updated by 2020 based on their effective pro-Israel lobby.

Learn about these and other mandated changes happening on your campus, and consider what this means for your work as an advocate for human rights and international law.

Join with current and former students from campuses across Ontario to consider the current situation, and consider how we can work effectively together, using advocacy tools, and with the support of resources and advice, to support a voice for international law and human rights.

Webinar will be available for student groups outside Toronto, and this will be of interest also to students across Canada.

Speakers will be present to share information, in the context that colonization continues to play from Turtle Island to Palestine. What does this means for the work of advocacy for
students and others in the context of human rights, international humanitarian law, other international law and Canada's own domestic law.

Jonathan Kuttab will be joined with including Canadian lawyer Stephen Ellis, Coordinator for Christian Peacemaker Teams-Canada, Rachelle Friesen and others.

Jonathan Kuttab

Jonathan Kuttab is a leading human rights lawyer. After a graduating with his Doctor of Jurisprudence (JD) from Virginia Law School, and practicing a couple years on Wall Street, Jonathan returned home to Palestine.

In 1979, Jonathan cofounded Al Haq, the first international human rights legal organization in Palestine. Later he co-founded the Palestinian Center for the Study of Non-Violence (now Violence International) and also founded the Mandela Institute for Prisoners.

Jonathan is a Palestinian Christian, who is past chair of the Bethlehem Bible College serves on the board of the Sabeel Ecumenical Theology Center in Jerusalem and is a leader in the establishment of Christ at the Checkpoint conference. Jonathan was part of the 1994 legal team for the Cairo agreement that resulted in the Oslo II Accord.

Jonathan was visiting scholar at Osgoode Law School at York University in Toronto in the Fall of 2017, and is a founding director of Just Peace Advocates?Mouvement pour une Paix Juste, a Canadian based international law human rights not-for-profit.

Jonathan is a resident of East Jerusalem, and is a partner of Kuttab, Khoury and Hanna Law Firm in East Jerusalem.

CAMPAIGNS
Campaigns in partnership with Just Peace Advocates that Jonathan will also be sharing:

Jonathan will speak of the situation for Palestinians living in Gaza, and highlight the Al Haq Gaza 20/20: Perceptions and Reality campaign.

Jonathan will also speak about the demographic plan to remove Palestine from Jerusalem, and will highlight the Civic Coalition for Palestinian Rights in Jerusalem campaign "The Reality for Jerusalem After Trump."

PALESTINIAN ORGANIZATIONS IN PARTNERSHIP:

Al Haq is an independent Palestinian non-governmental human rights organisation based in Ramallah, West Bank. Established in 1979 to protect and promote human rights and the rule of law in the Occupied Palestinian Territory (OPT), the organisation has special consultative status with the United Nations Economic and Social Council.

The Civic Coalition for Palestinian Rights in Jerusalem includes a number of human rights groups who come together to focus on the rights of Palestinians in Jerusalem.

Just Peace Advocates focuses on public policy interests for equity for all people including those of Palestine is advanced through strong national and international networks that build effective relationships with government, media, Canadian civil society, including all faiths and ethnic groups, and supporters of human rights and international law.

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Events in other provinces will be added later in 2018 and/or early 2019. STAY TUNED FOR MORE EVENTS BY CLICKING HERE.