



Al-Zaytouna Centre Accomplishments Report 2022

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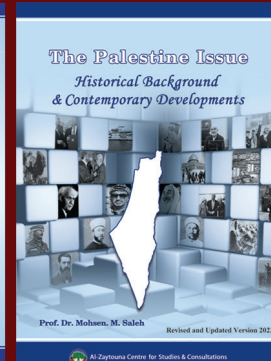


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Al-Zaytouna Centre

Al-Zaytouna Centre for Studies and Consultations is an independent licensed corporation established in Beirut, Lebanon in 2004.

Overview

Al-Zaytouna Centre conducts contemporaneous strategic studies, along with projections for future developments, on the Arab and Muslim worlds. It focuses on the Palestine issue and the conflict with Israel as well as related Palestinian, Arab, Islamic and international developments.

The Centre seeks to establish a wide ranging database, and classifies it along the most modern scientific and technical methods. In active cooperation with scholars, experts and specialists, the Centre drives to publish scholarly studies, and research projects. The Centre is also concerned with organizing training courses, offering consultations and holding seminars, lectures and conferences.

The Centre strives to raise the local, regional and international awareness about the realities and repercussions of the events in the region. It also aims to attract qualified researchers to conduct studies concerning national, Arab and Muslim world issues.

The Centre's General Policies

1. Al-Zaytouna Centre is an independent and non-governmental scientific center that is not affiliated to any party or group.
2. Studies and consultations are conducted solely to promote knowledge and truth, and consolidate the legitimate rights of the people of the region.
3. Academic objectivity, accuracy of information and qualitative research are strictly observed and pursued.
4. Collaboration and integration with similar centers and institutions is a priority for the Centre.
5. Openness to all ideas and new intellectual and political trends is a prime concern of the Centre.
6. The Centre does not accept any preconditioned funds that may adversely affect its mission and objectives.

Al-Zaytouna's Board of Consultants

Al-Zaytouna Centre has a Board of Consultants of eminent scholars, thinkers and researchers, whose names are alphabetically listed below:

1. Prof. Dr. 'Adnan al-Sayyid Hussein: Former President of the Lebanese University, former Lebanese minister of state.
2. Prof. Dr. Ahmad Mubarak al-Khalidi: Former minister of justice, former dean, Faculty of Law, An-Najah National University, Palestine.
3. Prof. Dr. Amin Mahmud Abdullah: Former minister of culture, former minister of higher education and scientific research, Jordan.
4. Prof. Dr. Bayan Nuwayhed al-Hout: Expert in modern Palestinian history.
5. Prof. Dr. Hassan Ahmad Ibrahim: Expert in African and Middle Eastern history.
6. Prof. Dr. 'Imad al-Din Khalil: Thinker and historian.
7. Prof. Dr. Kamalin Shaath: Former President of the Islamic University of Gaza.
8. Dr. Mahmud al-Mubarak: Professor of international law, formerly at King Faisal University, KSA.
9. Prof. Dr. Mohammad al-Musfir: Professor of political science, Qatar University.
10. Mr. Munir Shafiq: Thinker, head of the Popular Conference for Palestinians Abroad and former director of the PLO Planning Bureau.
11. Mr. Salah 'Abd al-Maqsoud: Former minister of Information, Egypt, and the Former director of Arab Media Centre.
12. Dr. Tareq al-Suwaidan: Thinker and management expert.

Former Board Members

The following consultants remained members until their death:

1. Prof. Dr. 'Abd al-Wahab al-Masiri: Thinker and expert in Zionism and Israeli studies.
2. Prof. Dr. Anis al-Sayegh: Former director of PLO Research Centre.
3. Prof. Dr. Ishaq al-Farhan: Former minister of education, former president of the Jordanian University.
4. Prof. Dr. Mohammad 'Amarah: Thinker and historian.
5. Prof. Dr. Mohammad 'Issa Salhieh: Expert in Islamic and Arab history.
6. Prof. Dr. Mona Haddad Yakan: Former president of Jinan University, Lebanon.
7. Prof. Dr. 'Omar al-Ashqar: Former dean, Faculty of Islamic Studies, Zarqa University, Jordan.
8. Dr. Salahuddin al-Dabbagh: Former member of the Palestine National Council and Executive Committee of the PLO.

Works and Achievements

First: Books

During 2022, al-Zaytouna Centre had published 13 books in both English and Arabic. In these publications, the principles of academic objectivity, accuracy of information and quality research were strictly observed.

Besides, the center is keen to print out its publications and design them according to the best technical specifications, taking into consideration the pricing of these books in a policy that aims to achieve a wider spread of them and enabling the greatest number of those interested to acquire and make use of these books.

Among these books, there are ten new ones and three have been translated into English.

The following is a list of the 2022 al-Zaytouna Centre books:

No.	Title
1	<i>The Palestine Strategic Report 2020–2021 (Arabic)</i>
2	<i>The Palestine Strategic Report 2020–2021</i>
3	<i>The Palestine Daily Chronicle 2021 (Arabic)</i>
4	<i>Studies on Normalization with the Zionist State: The Award-Winning Studies of the International Research Competition “No to Normalization” (Arabic)</i>
5	<i>The Palestine Issue: Historical Background and Contemporary Developments (Revised and Updated Version)</i>
6	<i>Israeli Settlement in the West Bank From an International Law Perspective (Arabic)</i>
7	<i>Faustian Bargains: Israeli Penetration of the Central Asian Republics (Arabic)</i>
8	<i>“Five Thousand Days in the World of Barzakh (Isthmus): The Memoirs of the Prisoner Hassan Abd al-Rahman Salameh in Solitary Confinement in Israeli Prisons” (Arabic)</i>
9	<i>The Road to the “Devotion of the Free” Deal: The Shalit Deal 2006–2011 (Arabic)</i>
10	<i>Illusions in the Palestinian Politics (Arabic)</i>
11	<i>Illusions in the Palestinian Politics</i>
12	<i>US Behavior Towards the Palestine Issue During Trump’s Term (Arabic)</i>
13	<i>Until the Last Breath: The Military Resistance Groups in Silwad Town, Palestine 1967–1971 (Arabic)</i>

1. *The Palestine Strategic Report 2020–2021 (Arabic)*

The Palestine Strategic Report (PSR) is one of al-Zaytouna's most important academic studies, published in both English and Arabic since 2005. PSR reviews biennially the various developments concerning the Palestine issue in a comprehensive, objective and academic manner. It offers a wealth of data, up-to-date statistics, and analyzes and offers an outlook of future events.

This report that adheres to the principles of academic objectivity and accuracy of information, is the product of a massive team-work exerted by a group of affiliated researchers and specialists. Today, it can be surely asserted that PSR is a must reference for every researcher and academic who are interested in the contemporary developments of the Palestine issue, including: university professors, students of history, sociology and political science, writers and journalists. The Centre held a press conference, on 11/1/2022, announcing the conclusions and results of the strategic report, and it was covered by various media outlets.

The PSR 2020–2021 tackles in eight chapters: the internal Palestinian scene, the Palestinian demographic and economic indicators, the Land and the holy sites, and the aggression, resistance and the peace process. In addition, it focuses on the Israeli scene including the most prominent Israeli political, demographic, economic and military developments, and the Israeli-Palestinian relations. It studies the Arab, Islamic, and international stances towards the Palestine issue, in addition to the 2022–2023 prospects for the Palestine issue.

Editor: Prof. Dr. Mohsen Mohammad Saleh

Writers:

Dr. 'Abdullatif Khader Sedda

Dr. Basem Jalal Elkassem

Iqbal Walid 'Omeish

Prof. Dr. Mohsen Mohammad Saleh

Rabi' Mohammad al-Dannan

Sari 'Orabi

Wael Ahmad Sa'ad

Ziad Mohammad Bhies

Ashraf Uthman Badr

Hani Mohammad 'Adnan al-Masri

Prof. Dr. Moein Muhammad 'Atta Ragab

Dr. Mohannad Mustafa

Dr. Sa'id Walid al-Haj

Prof. Dr. Talal 'Atrissi

Prof. Dr. Walid 'Abd al-Hay

Hardcover: 480 pages

2. *The Palestine Strategic Report 2020–2021*

The English version of the PSR is a qualitative study of the Palestine Issue. In addition to its valuable information, PSR is edited in English according to strict academic standards, while dealing with the same chapters of the above Arabic version.

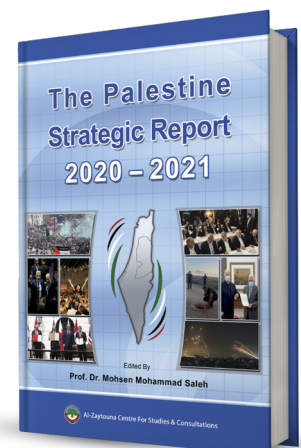
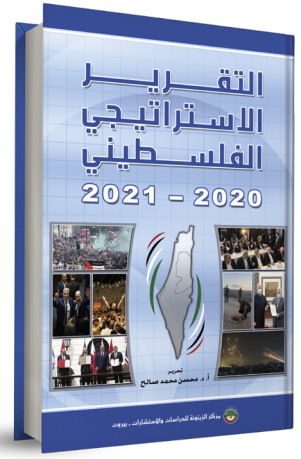
Editor: Prof. Dr. Mohsen Mohammad Saleh

English Text Editor: Rana Sa'adah

Translators: Amin Kharraz, Baraa Zeidan, Baraa Darazi,
Karim Traboulsi and Marilyn Chbeir

Language Revision: Tom Charles

Hardcover: 492 pages



3. *The Palestine Daily Chronicle of 2021 (Arabic)*

The Palestine Daily Chronicle is considered one of the most important books published by al-Zaytouna Centre. This book addresses the most prominent events related to the Palestine issue, documenting its daily important events, decisions and stances that express the nature of a phase or reflect the changes in political tracks.

The book puts forth information and statistics of significance, related to both the Palestinian and Israeli sides. The information include various aspects of Palestinian political, economic, cultural, social and educational performance, information about Jerusalem, and the performance of the resistance. The book also covers matters related to settlement building, Judaization programs, attacks on holy sites, and the peace process.



This is the eighth volume, where the first was published in 2015 covering the events of 2014.

Prepared and edited by: Prof. Dr. Mohsen Mohammad Saleh,

Rabi' al-Danan and Wa'el Wehbe

Hardcover: 684 pages

4. *Studies on Normalization with the Zionist State: The Award-Winning Studies of the International Research Competition "No to Normalization" (Arabic)*

The book consists of 13 refereed studies that were chosen out of 160 research abstracts submitted to the "No to Normalization" international research competition. The published studies are refereed academic studies that were approved by a panel of referees. The studies comprehensively covered the legal, educational, cultural, civilizational, political, economic, media, security and military aspects related to the resistance to normalization. This book is one of the most prominent indispensable references related to normalization with Israel. It was academically edited, reviewed and documented. It was published in collaboration with PALM Strategic Initiatives Centre – Malaysia, the General Authority for Youth and Culture – Gaza and Elmessiri Academy for Research and Studies – Gaza.



Editor: Prof. Dr. Mohsen Mohammad Saleh

Hardcover: 510 pages

5. *The Palestine Issue: Historical Background and Contemporary Developments (Revised and Updated Version)*

This book is important to those who want to acquaint themselves with the Palestine issue, and to become informed of the pertinent facts in a balanced manner. It can also serve as an introduction to further studies about the issue. This revised and amended version covers the Palestine issue developments until 2021.

The book discusses the historical background and contemporary developments. It is written in a smooth language, all the while retaining a scientific, academic and documented wording. It reviews Palestine's history through the ages, its geography, its Islamic standing, and the Jews' religious and historical claims in Palestine. It discusses the period of the British occupation of Palestine and the establishment of Israel. It reviews the issue's developments, focusing on the development of the Palestinian struggle, revolutions and *Intifadahs*, in addition to the developments in Israel, the peace process, the role of the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO), its factions and the role of the Palestinian Islamic movement.

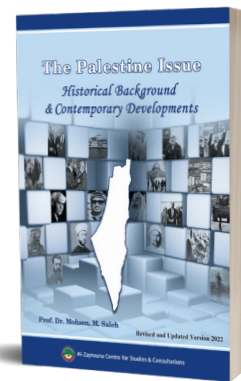
Author: Prof. Dr. Mohsen Mohammad Saleh

English Text Editor: Rana Sa'adah

Translators: Karim Traboulsi, Marilyn Chbeir and Rana Sa'adah

Language Revision: Tom Charles

Paperback: 290 pages



6. *Israeli Settlement in the West Bank From an International Law Perspective (Arabic)*

The study deals with the Israeli settlement in the West Bank (WB), since its occupation in 1967 until 2017. The author defines the legal dimensions of the Israeli settlement building from an international law perspective, explaining the legal violations it represents. He also states the means available to confront it, while identifying the obstacles. For none of the international resolutions issued by the UN Security Council and General Assembly, which call for an end to Israeli settlements, have been implemented. Then, the author explains the damage caused by the settlements to the Palestinian people.

Author: Dr. 'Abdullatif Khader Sedda

Paperback: 284 pages



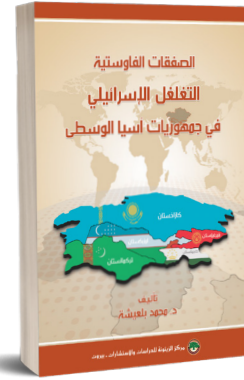
7. *Faustian Bargains: Israeli Penetration of the Central Asian Republics (Arabic)*

The book discusses the geostrategic and geopolitical importance of the Central Asian region in the Israeli strategic thought, and the reasons of Israel’s inclination towards its republics, whose location is strategic and are rich in natural resources.

The author outlines five dimensions of Israeli interest in the Central Asian republics; a geographic dimension that allows it to get close to Russia, China, Turkey and Iran; the role of the agent where Israel is a foothold for the US on the Chinese, Russian, Afghan and Iranian borders; an economic dimension due to the richness of the region in energy sources; a military dimension being a market for Israeli military production; and a dimension of tracking and combating “Radical Islam” in cooperation with surrounding countries.

Author: Dr. Mohammed Belaicha

Paperback: 220 pages



8. *Five Thousand Days in the World of Barzakh (Isthmus): The Memoirs of the Prisoner Hassan Abd al-Rahman Salameh in Solitary Confinement in Israeli Prisons (Arabic)*

The 224-page book is the diaries of Palestinian prisoner Hassan Abd al-Rahman Salameh, who was sentenced by the Israelis to 48 life sentences and 35 years in prison, of which he spent about five thousand days in solitary confinement; a life closer to the world of the dead “isthmus.”

The author is the well-known Qassam military leader, who carried out “The Holy Revenge” operation in retaliation for the 1996 assassination of Ayyash, and became a fugitive from the Israeli forces. After being seriously injured, he was arrested and he is still now detained in Israeli prisons.

This is one of the most important books that describe the suffering of prisoners in Israeli prisons. It is a historical testimony and document that exposes the ugliness, injustice, oppression and inhumanity of the occupation.

Author: Prisoner Hassan Abd al-Rahman Salameh

Paperback: 224 pages

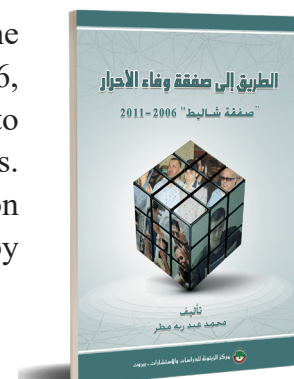


9. *The Road to the “Devotion of the Free” Deal: The Shalit Deal 2006–2011 (Arabic)*

The book discusses the stages of the negotiations of Devotion of the Free deal since the capture of the Israeli soldier Gilad Shalit in June 2006, until the completion of the exchange process in October 2011, leading to the liberation of hundreds of Palestinian prisoners from the Israeli prisons. It discusses the political and military circumstances that had an impact on negotiations, in addition to the obstacles, as well as the efforts made by various mediators to complete the deal.

Author: Mohammed Abed Rabbo Matar

Paperback: 166 pages



10. *Illusions in the Palestinian Politics (Arabic)*

The book discusses the literature and concepts spread in the Palestinian political, media, academic and cultural realms, that promote visions and perceptions, whose implementation seems to be an illusion. They are neither based on experience nor on systematic scientific analysis. It exposes these illusions and the ensuing misunderstandings, crises, failures in decision-making and waste of time, efforts and resources. These illusions were concisely discussed, identifying their main ideas and critiquing their concepts, terms and paths.

Author: Prof. Dr. Mohsen Mohammad Saleh

Paperback: 63 pages

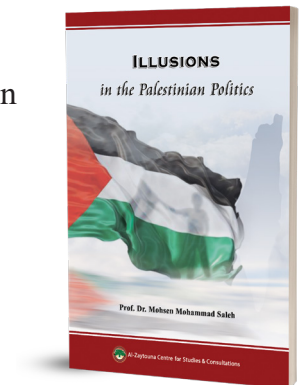


11. *Illusions in the Palestinian Politics*

Details about this book are found in the details of the Arabic version above.

Author: Prof. Dr. Mohsen Mohammad Saleh

Paperback: 52 pages



12. *US Behavior Towards the Palestine Issue During Trump's Term (Arabic)*

The book explores the positions of the Trump administration on the central issues related to the conflict with the Israeli occupation; such as the US position on Israeli settlements in the West Bank, including occupied Jerusalem, the borders, Palestinian refugees and the two-state solution. It also discusses the US administration plan known as the “Deal of the Century.” This is the 29th publication of the Information Report series.

Editor: Prof. Dr. Mohsen Mohammad Saleh

Managing Editor: Dr. Basem Jalal Elkassem

Paperback: 64 pages

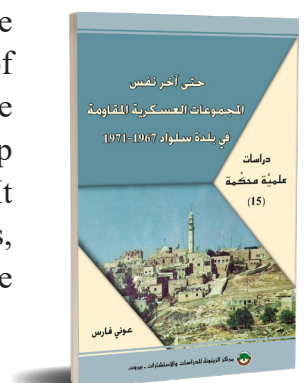


13. *Until the Last Breath: The Military Resistance Groups in Silwad Town, Palestine 1967–1971 (Arabic)*

This study contributes to the documentation of the local history of the armed Palestinian resistance in Palestine, by studying the performance of two local groups from Silwad town, between 1967 and 1971. It explains the circumstances of their formation, their goals, action and their relationship with the resistance abroad, in addition to their prominent leaders. It reviews the challenges they faced, their most important achievements, and the Israeli policies to suppress them. This is the book no. 15 of the Refereed Academic Papers series published by al-Zaytouna Centre.

Author: Awni ‘Abdul Ghani Fares

Paperback: 56 pages



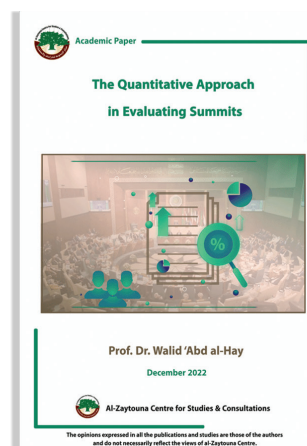
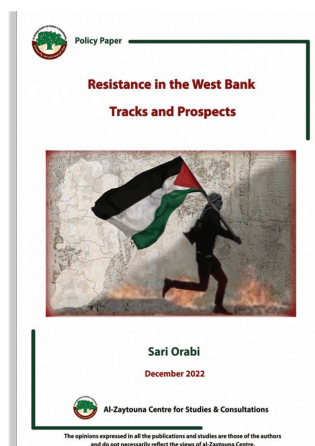
Second: Academic Papers

Al-Zaytouna Centre has published 33 academic and policy papers in 2022 in Arabic (A), of which 15 were translated into English (E). In these papers, the accuracy of information and quality research were strictly observed, in addition to their unique design. Following are those published in 2022 (chronological order):

1. The Role of Think Tanks in Israeli Decision-Making, Prof. Dr. Walid ‘Abd al-Hay. (A&E)
2. The Public Telephone Between Achievement and Failure: An Analytical Study on the Experience of the Public Telephone in Israeli Prison Sections: Ramon Prison As an Example, Laili Abu Rjaileh. (A)
3. The Role of Azerbaijan in the Possible Turkish-Israeli Rapprochement, Dr. Said El-Haj. (A&E)
4. Israel in the Mirror of Taiwan, Prof. Dr. Walid ‘Abd al-Hay. (A&E)
5. Alternatives to the Palestinian Leadership in Light of the Failure of the Two-State Solution, Wael al-Mabhouh. (A)
6. The Future of Arab-Chinese Relations in 2030, Prof. Dr. Walid ‘Abd al-Hay. (A&E)
7. The Israeli Position on the Ukraine War, Hani Ramadan Taleb. (A)
8. Crime in the Palestinian Center in the Occupied Territories of 1948: A Reading of the Social and Political Dimensions, Hasan Sa‘ab. (A)
9. The Repercussions of the Ukrainian Crisis on the Arab World and the Palestine Issue, Prof. Dr. Walid ‘Abd al-Hay. (A&E)
10. The International Inheritance of Treaties in Palestine in the Event of the Demise of the “State of Israel,” Dr. Said Dahshan. (A)
11. The Sword of Jerusalem Battle (Ramadan 1442 AH – May 2021 CE), Saleh Haj Hasan. (A)
12. The Prospects of Structural Transformations of Political Systems, Prof. Dr. Walid ‘Abd al-Hay. (A&E)
13. The Popular Resistance: Beita Village as an Example, Ways to Benefit from This Experience and Spread It, Thamer ‘Abdul Ghani Saba‘neh and ‘Abdul Salam ‘Awwad. (A)
14. Normalizers Absolved by Shari‘ah, Salah ‘Abdul Ra’uf. (A)
15. Slow Killing: The Relationship Between Medical Negligence and the Martyrdom of the Palestinian Detainee in Captivity: Gilboa Prison, Amjad ‘Ubaidy and Laili Abu Rjaileh. (A)



16. The Mirror Mental Images in the Iranian and Israeli Collective Mind, Prof. Dr. Walid 'Abd al-Hay. (A&E)
17. The Interaction of the Palestinian Prisoners with the Prophecy of the Demise of Israel in 2022, Ishaq Tariq 'Arafah. (A)
18. The Jewish Nation State Law and the Right of Return of the Palestinian Refugees: Researching the Origin of the Law, and Foreseeing the Future, Sabir Ramadan. (A)
19. Administrative Detention and Its Impact on the Activities of the Islamic Resistance Movement Hamas in the West Bank, Amjad Amin al-Sayeh. (A)
20. The Dangers of the Israeli Nuclear Arsenal, Prof. Dr. Walid 'Abd al-Hay. (A&E)
21. The Effects of the Total Israeli Siege on Gaza Strip and Their Impact on Youth, Dr. Raed Muhammad Hillis. (A&E)
22. The Role of Torah Nucleus in the Coastal Cities of Israel: Lod as an Example, Hani Ramadan Taleb. (A)
23. The Security Infiltration of Israel in Sub-Saharan Africa, Prof. Dr. Walid 'Abd al-Hay. (A&E)
24. The Official Arab Normalization with the Zionist Entity: Legal Aspects and Implications, 'Abdullah Harahsheh. (A)
25. The Future of Political Stability in Israel in 2030, Prof. Dr. Walid 'Abd al-Hay. (A&E)
26. Security Theory in the Israeli Settler Colonial System Background, Transformations, and Foundations, Dr. Ashraf Badr. (A)
27. The Futile Power and the Determination of Israel's Future, Prof. Dr. Walid 'Abd al-Hay. (A&E)
28. The War of Stones of Baked Clay 2012 and its Impact on the Hamas Movement, Shu'a' Kamamji. (A)
29. The Problem of Managing International Relations in the Contemporary International System, Prof. Dr. Walid 'Abd al-Hay. (A&E)
30. The Chances of the "Algiers Declaration" to Achieve Palestinian Reconciliation, 'Atif Joulani. (A)
31. The Quantitative Approach in Evaluating Summits, Prof. Dr. Walid 'Abd al-Hay. (A&E)
32. The Gas of Gaza Between Reality and Hope, Prof. Dr. Muhammad al-Miqdad and Muhammad Nassar. (A)
33. Resistance in the West Bank: Tracks and Prospects, Sari 'Orabi. (A&E)



Third: Strategic Assessment

This assessment is a periodic report characterized by its rich material. It seeks to study a particular incident or issue and anticipate its future developments. It highlights the likeliest scenario and then ends the assessment with some suggestions and recommendations.

The strategic assessment usually addresses the Palestine issue and the related Arab, Islamic and international dimensions. In addition, it tackles other issues, which fall within the Centre’s interests.

Al-Zaytouna Centre had published 130 strategic assessments by the end of 2022, including 8 assessments, of which 2 are strategic assessments that were published in 2022 and addressed the following topics:

1. The Crisis of Convening the PLO Central Council and its Repercussions on the Palestinian Political System (February 2022). (A&E)
2. The “Unity of the Arenas” Battle: The Israeli Aggression on Gaza Strip and its Aftermath August 2022 (August 2022). (A&E)

The Centre also issued six other assessments during 2022, entitled:

1. The Impact of the Ukrainian Crisis on the Palestine Issue and the Available Options (March 2022).(A)
2. The Repercussions of the Russian-Ukrainian Crisis on the Economy in the Palestinian Authority Territories (April 2022). (A)
3. The Events of al-Aqsa Mosque and the Struggle Situation.. Analysis of Scenarios and Expected Paths (April 2022). (A)
4. The Possible Israeli Scenarios Towards the Gaza Strip (September 2022).
5. A Reading of the Results of the 25th Knesset Election and Orientations of the Next Government (November 2022). (A&E)
6. The Return of Turkey-Israel Relations: What is New? (November 2022). (A&E)



Fourth: The Translation

The Translation Department at al-Zaytouna Centre translates most of the Centre's publications, including books, studies, and articles, in addition to covering the Centre's activities, posting most of them on the Centre's English website. It keeps its English-speaking audience, including experts and activists, informed of the latest developments concerning the Palestine issue.

During 2022, the Translation Department published the translations of 15 academic papers, 16 articles, two strategic assessments and two situation assessment.

The department issues the Arabic series "The Translation Series." It sheds lights on the most prominent articles and studies published by western or Israeli think tanks, which have an impact on the decision-making process in Israel and the west. Until the end of 2022, 90 Arabic translations were published, among which three were published in 2022, as follows:

1. The Israeli Society's Sensitivity to Casualties and its Influence on Decision-Making in Military Issues.
2. An Illusory Entente: The Myth of a Russia-China-Iran "Axis."
3. Renewing US Security Policy in the Middle East.



Fifth: Information and Archives

The Information and Archives Department has an essential role in the work of al-Zaytouna Centre. The department daily follows the most important Arab, foreign and Israeli newspapers, news sites, Israeli and foreign research and study centers.

Apart from its regular work, the department provides information assistance to many researchers and academics, besides preparing several news reports on important current issue. The department also issues “Palestine Today,” an Arabic daily electronic newsletter dealing with all issues related to the Palestine issue and the Arab-Israeli conflict. “Palestine Today,” is issued without interruption throughout the days of the year where the department daily follows dozens of news sources in order to achieve this work.

The electronic newsletter provides rich material for researchers and specialists sparing them time and effort. It is characterized by an academic categorization, by which news can be easily browsed. After the news had been re-edited while maintaining their basic content, they are classified in an easy and comprehensive tab.

This electronic newsletter is freely available on the center’s website. By the end of 2022, the Centre had published 6,022 issues, out of which 300 were published the same year.



The Information and Archives Department also publishes the Information File series, which contain detailed academic studies with rich information, providing the researchers and specialists with detailed, clear, accurate, and well-documented material. Until the end of 2022, 30 volumes were published, among which one was in 2022, as follows:

1. *The Role of the Religious Zionism and Its Impact on Israeli Politics 2020–2022 (Arabic)*

The book studies the role of the religious Zionism movement in Israeli politics (January 2020 – September 2022). It discusses the most important news, reports and articles that discuss the role of the religious Zionism movement and its impact on Israeli politics, and the judicial, security and military institutions. It also discusses the role of the movement in promoting Judaization and settlement projects, its position on the peace process plans and its impact on the conflict with the Palestinians.

Noted that the Archives and Information Department has prepared this Information File (30), with Prof. Dr. Mohsen Mohammad Saleh as editor-in-chief and Dr. Basem Jalal Elkassem as the managing editor.



Sixth: The Website (alzaytouna.net)

In 2022, al-Zaytouna Centre Arabic and English websites have undergone a number of updates that are considered a qualitative leap in facilitating browsing, and highlighting the content of the site. The main menu has been reclassified, followed by sub-divisions that make access to the wide and diverse content of the site easier and more enjoyable.

The IT team have adjusted, monitored and corrected some technical problems and uploaded materials, improving the Website's service quality.

The site updates its visitors with the latest news of the Centre, its activities and publications. During 2022, we uploaded 170 of our publications on our website, in addition to 300 issues of "Palestine Today" electronic newsletter. Visitors can access a wide range of materials and services including the Strategic Assessment and al-Zaytouna translation series, in addition to a large collection of articles, studies, reports, documents, maps, infographics and selected books. Hence, our website is one of the richest in materials among Arab Think Tanks websites.

To encourage the spread of information, the site offers visitors free downloads of a number of the Centre's publications. The download includes The Palestine Strategic Report, the Information Report series and other valuable books. Tens of thousands of downloads were done, making it the top website among similar Palestinian ones, in terms of the number of visitors and downloads.

In 2022, the Centre has developed some features of its Android app. It launched its Instagram account, while its other social networking sites have been getting wide audience interaction, whether on its Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn and SoundCloud platforms, while the YouTube page was re-launched after it was closed.



Seventh: Conferences and Panel Discussions

To spread awareness on regional events at local, regional and international levels, the Centre holds panel discussions in accordance with its policy of openness to all ideas and intellectual and political trends. These specialized, scientific, objective, and free discussions address key issues and topics concerning the Palestine issue. Hence, attaining results that best serve the Centre's stated objectives.

The discussions bring together a selection of specialists, researchers and experts on the Palestine issue from around the world. They are highly organized and covered by the media.

These panel discussions are an important source for preparing books, reports and strategic assessments. The Centre publishes the minutes of the discussions on its site for the audience to benefit from them.

Up to the end of 2022, the Centre had held 69 conferences and panel discussions, out of which 6 were held in 2022, and they are:

1. Panel Discussion: The Palestine Issue: Strategic Evaluation 2021 – Strategic Assessment 2022

(12/1/2022–Zoom)

Al-Zaytouna Centre for Studies and Consultations held on Zoom, a panel discussion, where a group of researchers, scholars, specialists and those interested in the Palestine issue participated. They discussed the internal Palestinian scene, the conditions in Jerusalem, the internal Israeli scene and the peace process. Furthermore, they discussed the normalization process, Iran and Turkey and their relations with the Palestine issue, as well as the international and US influence on the Palestine issue. The participants made many important interventions that enriched the discussions.



2. Panel Discussion: The Possible Scenarios of the Internal Palestinian Situation in Light of the PLO Central Council Meeting and the Options to Deal with It

(22/2/2022–Zoom)

Participants included researchers and experts specializing in Palestinian affairs from Palestine, Jordan, Lebanon, Qatar, Turkey and Malaysia. The writer, researcher and editor-in-chief of *Assabeel* newspaper, 'Atef al-Joulani presented five scenarios for the future of the internal Palestinian situation after the Palestinian Central Council (PCC) crisis. Participants considered implementable Palestinian reconciliation is a must. However, it must not be dependent on the mood of the Palestinian leadership, which has proved not to be serious about reconciliation. They agreed that the required step is to justify the establishment of national alignment, and define its vision, objectives, parameters, policies and jurisdiction, in addition to putting a realistic plan.



3. Panel Discussion: The Impact of the Russian-Ukrainian War on the Palestine Issue

(16/3/2022–Zoom)

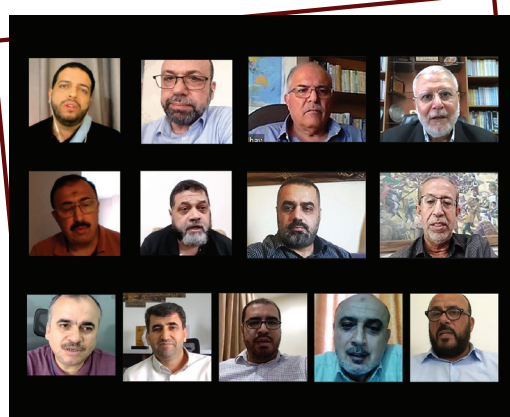
The main panelists of the panel discussion were four experts who discussed their working papers, and dozens of researchers and experts specialized in Palestinian, Arab and international affairs participated. They discussed the Russian-Ukrainian war and the ensuing international political, economic and geopolitical changes that may affect the Palestine issue.



4. Panel Discussion: The Israeli Aggression on Gaza Strip and Its Aftermath

(10/8/2022–Zoom)

A group of researchers and experts specialized in Palestinian affairs participated in this panel discussion, where the objective was to conduct a situation assessment of the Israeli aggression on Gaza Strip (GS), on 5–7/8/2022, and evaluate the performance of the resistance.



5. Panel Discussion: Multipolarity and the Shifting Alliances in the Middle East

(15/11/2022–Zoom)

The participants were a group of heads of think tanks, researchers and experts specialized in international relations, from Turkey, Malaysia, Russia, China, the United States, France, Poland, Britain, South Africa and a number of Arab countries. The objective was to assess the current international developments and changes and their impact on the alliances in the Middle East. It was held at a time where the Middle East was going through critical and complicated conditions. The main panelists made four academic interventions, and there were important interventions and questions from a number of experts and specialists, and it was concluded by the answers and clarifications of the main panelists.



6. Panel Discussion: Eastern Mediterranean Gas and Its Impact on the Regional Geostrategic Landscape

(13/12/2022–Zoom)

A selection of experts specialized in political, economic and energy affairs participated, where they discussed the impact of gas investment on the geostrategic landscape in the Eastern Mediterranean region, and the expected repercussions at the international and regional levels and on the relations between regional countries. There were three main panelists, who discussed their important papers, after which a number of experts and specialists shared their view, enriching the session and covering the topic from its various aspects.



Eighth: Consultations and Training

Al-Zaytouna Centre continued holding training courses and conducting consultations in 2022. Consultations were offered to more than 20 researchers and institutions, among which were many theses and dissertations. 80 studies were evaluated and peer reviewed, and were sent to al-Zaytouna for publishing.

As for the training courses, two were held during 2022, as follows:

1. The *Bayt al-Maqdis* Sciences Course – Advanced Level, held by Multaqa al-Quds al-Thaqafi–Jordan, where al-Zaytouna presented the two parts of the training course “100 years of resistance in Palestine,” on 19/1/2022 and 26/1/2022.
2. A training course on preparing the Palestine Strategic Report, on 26/7/2022.

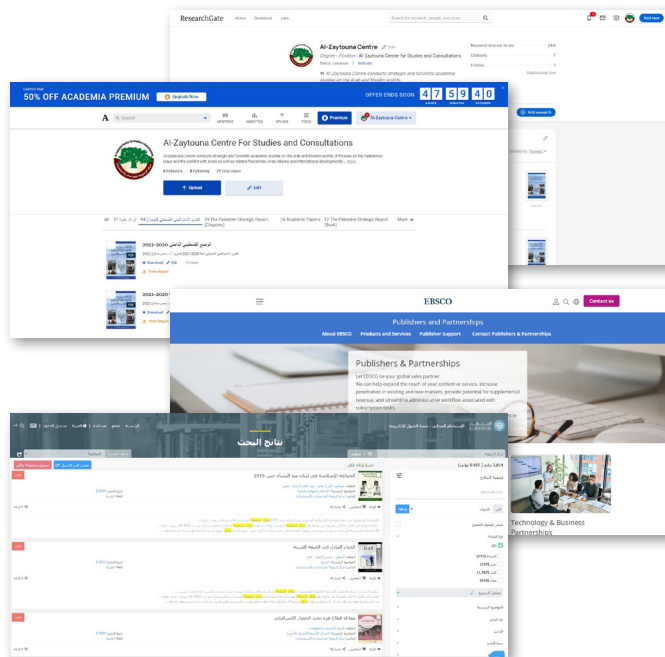
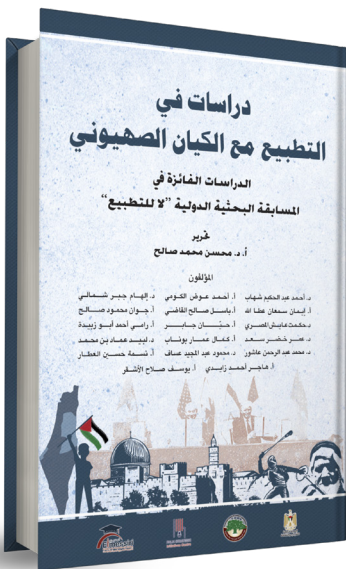
Ninth: Scientific Cooperation and Public Relations

The Centre was keen in 2022 to continue its academic relations with those who are interested and specialized in political and strategic studies. Besides those who are engaged in decision making in the region. This is in consistence with its policy of openness to actors and institutions involved in decision making, in addition to its openness cooperation and integration with the universities and centers working in the same domain. The Centre keeps in touch with them through conferences and seminars, visits and media.

The Centre’s network of contacts includes politicians, academicians, researchers, think tanks and other figures working in the field of public policies related to the Middle East and the Palestine issue. In this context, al-Zaytouna gave special attention to communicating with the Palestinian decision makers at home and abroad; the PLO, PA and different factions and political actors in the Palestinian arena. During 2022, about 1,500 of those were contacted by al-Zaytouna, in addition to thousands of its subscribers.

During the year 2022, the Centre sought to provide its research to researchers on specialized platforms. It uploaded more than 200 academic papers on the ResearchGate platform, and over 340 academic papers on the Academia platform, while continuing to having its publication on EBSCO and Al-Manhal platforms.

In 2022, and as part of the academic cooperation, al-Zaytouna Centre prepared and published the book, *Studies on Normalization with the Zionist State: The Award-Winning Studies of the International Research Competition “No to Normalization.”* The 510-page book consists of 13 refereed studies, and the competition was in collaboration with PALM Strategic Initiatives Centre – Malaysia, the General Authority for Youth and Culture – Gaza and Elmessiri Academy for Research and Studies – Gaza. The book was edited by the academic editing team of al-Zaytouna Centre.



Participation in Conferences and Panel Discussions

In 2022, al-Zaytouna Centre participated in several worldwide conferences and panel discussions. The most prominent of these participations were in:

1. Panel Discussion: New Mechanisms and Strategies to Confront the Zionist Penetration of the Region “Normalization,” organized by The Boycott Campaign–Palestine, in collaboration with Dialogue Center for Strategic Studies, Gaza, on Zoom, 6/1/2022. (An intervention)
2. Lecture: “Zionism: Thought and Practice,” to a group of 40 media persons, on Zoom, 29/1/2022.
3. Panel Discussion: Results of the Palestine Strategic Report 2020–2021 and the outlook for 2022–2023, held where the main speaker was Prof. Dr. Mohsen Mohammad Sale, invited by the Palestinian Media Group in Lebanon “Tafa3ol,” Golden Vision Hall, Beirut, 4/2/2022.
4. Panel Discussion: Results of the Palestine Strategic Report 2020–2021 and the outlook for 2022–2023, held where the main speaker was Prof. Dr. Mohsen Mohammad Sale, and with the participation of sixty journalists and researchers in GS, as part of a political diploma program, on Zoom, 12/2/2022.
5. Panel Discussion: The Concept of a One-State Solution and Achieving Global Support for Palestine, held by Justice for Palestine Action Front (JPAF), Malaysia, on Zoom, 17/2/2022. (An intervention)
6. Conference: The Role of Palestinians Abroad in Building the National Project, held by the Popular Conference for Palestinians Abroad, with the participation of more than a thousand Palestinian figures from fifty countries, Istanbul, 25/2/2022. (Working paper)
7. Seminar: *Al-Aqsa* and Palestine... the Truth About the Issue and the Duty of Support, held by the “You Remain the Leader and Role Model” campaign, Hall of Mother and Child Care Association, Beirut, 12/3/2022. (Speech: The Emergence of the Zionist Occupation and its Aggression against People, Land and Holy Sites in Palestine)
8. Diploma Program on Jerusalem Studies: Dr. Is’haaq al-Farhan Diploma of al-Quds Studies, on Zoom, 23/4/2022. (An intervention: Knowledge is the Path to Liberation)
9. Symposium: Examining Islamic Movements in Politics and Governance: Critical Evaluation and Lessons Learned, part of the Muslim Ummah Symposia Series 2022, held by the Center for Islam and Global Affairs (CIGA) of the Istanbul Sabahattin Zaim University and the Hamad bin Khalifa University, on Zoom, 15–17/5/2022. (Paper on 15/5/2022: Hamas and the Regional and International Scene: Lessons Learned and Future Prospects)
10. Lecture: “Visions of the Future of the Conflict with the Zionist Enemy,” organized by The Women’s Leadership Specialized Rehabilitation Program for the Support of Jerusalem and Palestine “*Basma*,” on Zoom, 17/5/2022.
11. Lecture: “Visions of the Future of Zionist Project,” organized by the Movement for Unity and Reform, Skhirat-Temara Province Branch, Morocco, on Zoom, 31/5/2022.
12. Conference: Property Documents and the Historical Status of *al-Aqsa* Mosque (*Al-Haram Al-Sharif*), held by The Jerusalem Higher Committee of the Presidency of the State of Palestine, on Zoom, 8/6/2022. (Paper: Milestones Against the Zionist Allegations Towards *al-Aqsa* and Jerusalem)
13. Anniversary: Commemorating the Anniversary of the Death of Dr. Fathi Yakan, held by the Jinan University, Tripoli, Lebanon, 17/6/2022. (Paper: Jerusalem and Palestine in the Thought of the Islamic Preacher Fathi Yakan)
14. Ceremony: The Launch of Dr. Is’haaq al-Farhan Diploma of al-Quds Studies, held by the Jerusalem Cultural Forum, Amman, 2/7/2022. (A speech, summary and recommendations)

15. Lecture: “Conflict Shifts with Occupation and Action Priorities,” organized by the Jerusalem Cultural Forum, Amman, 20/7/2022.
16. Lecture: “Jerusalem: The Trinity of Place, Prestige and Empowerment,” organized by the Jerusalem Cultural Forum, Amman, 23/7/2022.
17. Seminar: Towards an Inclusive Palestinian National Project: Requirements and Mechanisms of Renewal and Strengthening, held by the Middle East Studies Center, Amman, 30/7/2022. (Paper: Transformations and Milestones of the Palestine Issue, and Their Impact on the Palestinian National Project and Future Prospects and Directions 2011–2022)
18. Meeting: The founding meeting of the General Union of Palestinian Historians and Archaeologists, on Zoom, 18/9/2022. (Speech)
19. Seminar: Normalization Between Principles and Interests, held by the Boycott and Anti-Normalization Campaign – Palestine, Gaza, on Zoom, 20/9/2022.
20. Conference: The Future of the Zionist Entity Between Traditional Readings and the Changing Reality, held by the Lebanese Association for Science and Research and the participation of the Islamic University (Gaza – Palestine), the University of Samarra, and the University College for Islamic Studies (Beirut – Lebanon), on Zoom, 4/11/2022. (Heading the second session)
21. Lecture, on the occasion of the launch of the “Methodological Lessons of the Palestine Issue” program, held by the Justice and Charity Movement, Iraq, on Zoom, 17/11/2022.
22. Episode: “Palestinian Political Inventory During 2022,” in the “Palestine Knowledge Platform (6),” organized by the Popular Conference for Palestinians Abroad, 28/12/2022. (Paper: The Palestinian Dimension in Confronting the Zionist Enemy and the Presence of the Palestine Issue at the Arab and International Levels)



Tenth: Al-Zaytouna in the Media

The Centre is keen to reach out to its audience. Its Public Relations and Media Department communicates with the various satellite channels, news agencies, local and international sites and websites, to introduce its activities and publications and to provide media coverage for the events it holds. In this context, the Centre supplies these institutions with the latest news on published books and summaries about the panel discussions, conferences and any other events it might organize. In addition, al-Zaytouna provides media outlets with the latest information reports and strategic assessments it publishes.

It is also keen to accept media invitations to introduce the work of the Centre and its activities, or to comment on the major events within its domain, and participate in the fora and discussions on the different events.

During 2022, the Public Relations and Media Department issued 110 press articles about the activities of the Centre and its works, and documented these articles' publication in 130 different media sources including newspapers, magazines, news agencies and websites. It also documented the publication of dozens of press articles about the Centre and its work in the media, other than the material published by the department itself.

In 2022, the department documented the participation of two of the Centre's researchers and representatives in tens of interviews with media institutions, including TV channels, radio stations, newspaper, news agencies and websites. Most of these events have focused on the issue of Palestine and the Arab-Israeli conflict.

The following are the most prominent 100 media outlets that cover the Centre's activities

Local and Satellite TV Channels and Radio Stations

Al-Aqsa TV	Al-Hiwar Channel	Al-Jazeera Mubasher
Al Mayadeen Channel	Al-Rafidain Channel	Al-Yarmouk Channel
Palestine Today TV		Rajeen TV

Local and International Arabic Newspapers and Magazines

Al-Akhbar newspaper (Lebanon)	Al-Estqlal newspaper (Palestine)	Almujtamaa magazine (Kuwait)
Al-Quds-Al-Arabi newspaper (London)	Elitihad Daily (Algeria)	Al-Watan newspaper (Qatar)
	Felesteen newspaper (Palestine)	

Agencies and News Websites

Alray Palestinian Media Agency (Palestine)	Anadolu Agency (Turkey)	Ma'an News Agency (Palestine)
Palestinian Press Agency (SAFA)	Quds Net News Agency (Palestine)	Quds Press International News Agency (London)
Sama News (Palestine)	Sanad News Agency (London)	Sawa News Agency (Palestine)

Taghrib News Agency (Tehran)	Akhbarak.net	Al-Aman magazine
Al-Asr al-Duwaliyyah magazine	Al-Bayader website	Albosala
Al-Diwan website	Algerian Encyclopedia for Political and Strategic Studies	Al-Hadath website
Alkhanadeq.com	Almadar European Media Network	Al-Mayadeen Media Network
Al-Omah website	Alquds Center	Al Quds City website
Alrafidain.news	Alresalah.ps	Al-Somod website
Alwathika.net	Al3omk.com	Amad Media
Amin.org	Ammon News	Annasher.com
APA International Association For Experts	Arabi21 News Websites	Assabeel Newspaper
Assawsana.com	Aswar Press Agency	Attawhid Wal Islah website
Basaer Online	Center of Palestinian Historiography and Documentation	Donia Al-Watan
Elfikr.net	Eljadidatoday.com	El Maghreb El Awsat
Ezzedeem Al-Qassam Brigades website	Fact International	Felesteen Online
Haya Washington	Ida2at	Ikhwanjo.net website
Ishrakat.com	Islamion website	JBC News
Laji-net.net	Law4palestine.org	Lebanon Syria News
Manar.com	Mawteni48 website	Muntada Alulama
Nedalalshab.com	OFOK Center For Consultancy	Palestine Forum
Palestineintifada.net	Palestine News Network	Palestine.paldf.net
Palestine Return Centre	Palestinian National Resistance Brigades website	Paltimesps.ps
Paltoday.tv	Paltoday.ps	P.N. NEWS
Popular Conference for Palestinians Abroad	Quds News Network	Ramallah News
Rumonline.net	Sampress.net	Strategic Thinking Group
The Palestinian Information Center	TRT Arabic website	Ummah-futures.net
Women For Jerusalem Society	Youm7.com	7iber.com
123new website		180post.com

