Quarterly Bulletin

April - June



Jadal Journal



Jadal no. 37: Palestinian production of knowledge: selected texts by participants of Mada's seminar for PhD students 2019

Position Papers

April 2020: "Coronavirus and its impact on the political scene in Israel". (In Arabic)



May 2020: "Coronavirus crisis and its effects on the life of the Naqab (Negev) Arabs".

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June 2020: "The Israeli Annexation Plan: Confrontation scenarios".

Academic Seminars & Workshops

The fifth postgraduate student seminar (2020)



Fourth meeting: "Qualitative Research"

Behavioural scientist and family therapist Professor Khawla Abu Baker hosted this meeting. Abu Bakr is a researcher and lecturer at the Academic College of Emek Yezreel and the al-Qasimi Academy.



Fifth meeting: "The components of a doctoral dissertation"

This meeting was hosted by Amal Jamal, Professor of Political Science at Tel Aviv University.



Sixth meeting: "Writing Academic Articles in English and Arabic"

This meeting was hosted by Dr Ayman Agbaria, member of Mada al-Carmel's research council and lecturer at the University of Haifa's College of Education.



Seventh meeting: "Career Experiences"

This meeting featured a discussion between students and Professor Mona Khoury-Kassabri, dean of the college of social services at the Hebrew University, who shared her experiences of working in academia, and how she came to be a lecturer.



Eighth meeting: "The Palestinian researcher's resistive academic production"

This meeting was hosted by Dr Mohanad Mustafa and Dr Taghreed Yahia Younis.

Zionism and settler colonialism workshop



Fifth meeting, part 1: "Zionism, Religion and Nationalism"

•Dr Mohanad Mustafa gave a lecture entitled "Zionism and Islamic Trends: Hamas, Islamic Jihad, and the Islamic Movement in Israel"

•Professor Nadim Rouhana gave a lecture entitled "Nationalism and Religious Claims in Zionism: Ignoring Settler Colonialism"





Fifth meeting, part 2: "The resistance and the colonialist"

•Researcher Ahmad As'ad gave a lecture entitled "Civil Disobedience and Resistance: Beit Sahour in the First Intifada".

•Researcher Mai Hammash gave a lecture entitled "Detention Centers in Settler Colonial Societies: Israel as Paradigm".

Research News

Israel Studies (3): "The similarities between Zionist and European Colonialism", translation and introduction by Anton Shulhut. (In Arabic)



Mada's Online Lecture Series: "Politics in the Time "of Coronavirus

Lecture 2: "Liquid Fear and Liquid Love: Reading Zygmunt Bauman in the Time of Coronavirus".



Khaled Anbatawi, PhD student of Sociology at the Geneva Graduate Institute.

Lecture 3: "Pandemic and Structural Violence in the Context of Settler Colonialism".



Dr. Osama Tanus, Paediatrician and doctoral student of public health at Tel Aviv University.

Lecture 4: "From Cholera to Coronavirus: Depictions of Palestinians in Pandemics"



Ahmad Mahmood, PhD student at the Hebrew University who writes about the social history of the coastal cities in the north of historic Palestine, with a focus on medicine and public health. Lecture 5: "The Deal of the Century in the Post-colonial Period"



Professor Ilan Pappé, Director of the European Center for Palestine Studies at the University of Exeter, UK.

Academic Partnerships



Mada al-Carmel has started a collaborative project with the European Center for Palestine Studies at the University of Exeter, UK. The project's activities will center on organising and running a number of seminars, research workshops and other such events; the outcomes of these will be presented and discussed at an international conference. The thematic focus of the project will be an investigation of settler colonialism and the concept of indigeneity in relation to the Palestinian community in Israel.

Team News



Mada's staff head back to the office after the lifting of Coronavirus restrictions.

Mada hires new volunteer to help with international advocacy



Johnnie Bicket has joined Mada al Carmel to help Mada improve its international reach and grow its engagement with non-Arabic speaking audiences. To this end he has begun work to improve our Englishlanguage website, and has increased our published output in English. Johnnie recently obtained a Masters degree in Middle Eastern Studies from SOAS University of London, and has spent time in the Palestinian Territories. Bicket has joined Mada as part of a wider effort on the part of Mada to develop collaborative relationships with academic institutes, advocacy groups, and other such bodies across the globe.

Dr Areen Hawari - Coordinator of the Postgraduate Student Support Program at Mada al-Carmel, and a researcher at the Center



Areen Hawari has officially obtained her PhD in Gender Studies from the Ben Gurion University in Beersheva. Hawari presented on the topic of "Palestinian Feminist Struggle and Personal Status Issues" during a seminar for female researchers on 'Gender, Religion and Nationalism' at Bar Ilan University. The seminar was organised in conjunction with the Hebrew University, and the Minerva Center at Tel Aviv University. Hawari also gave a lecture entitled "The Formation of Palestinian Masculine Identities in the context of Military Rule" at the 'Body, Soul, and Society" conference, organised by the Association for the Development of Arab Community Health, which was held at the Dead Sea in Jordan.

Dr Mohanad Mustafa- General Director. Mada al-Carmel



Dr Mustafa was invited to participate in a seminar by the Hebrew University's department of Sociology and Anthropology, which addressed religious and historical narratives in the 'Deal of the Century' and the political reality of the deal. He participated in a seminar held by the Jerusalem Center of Political Studies in Amman, and spoke about the implications of annexation for Jordan and for the Palestinian cause.

He participated in a seminar at an-Najah University's college of political science, and at a seminar convened by the Madar Center for Israel Studies, both of which addressed the topic of the 'Deal of the Century'. He acted as guest editor for an edition the journal Observation, published by the Arab Center for Research and Policy Studies, which dealt with the question of Israel's future

Afnan Kana'aneh – Local Media and PR



Afnan was recently accepted to study a Masters in Media Studies at the University of Haifa. She is doing excellent work to promote Mada al Carmel's work amongst university students and on campuses throughout the region.

Mada al-Carmel in the Media

- Dr Mohanad Mustafa gave an interview with Mawteni 48 entitled "Arabs and Muslims are Silent in the Face of Actual Steps, Rather Than Mere Attempts, to Liquidate the Palestinian Cause". (In Arabic)
- Interview with Dr Mohanad Mustafa on Channel Palestine: "The Naksa in Israeli Memory".

Upcoming Activities

July- The beginning of the publication of the Series of Academic Studies on Neoliberalism

July 25: Sixth Mada al-Carmel Conference for Palestinian doctoral students. October 10: The annual conference for 2020 entitled "Palestinians in Israel: shifts in leadership and the role of partiesrepresentation vs. organization".

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