



The Jerusalem Human Rights Consortium





Dr Bassim Khoury

Pharmacist (CEO of Pharmacare plc.) and prominent business and public figure. In addition to his private sector activities, Dr Khoury currently serves on the Board of the Palestinian Federation of Industries, The Board of Trustees of Birzeit University and its Executive Committee and the Board of the Palestine Economic Policy Institute (MAS). Dr Khoury is also active in many church-related support programmes, mainly in medical and humanitarian relief.

Amongst many other public engagements, Dr Khoury has also formerly served as the Minister of National Economy, on the Board of the Palestine Trade Promotion Organization (PalTrade), as the President of the Palestinian Federation of Industries (two terms) and the Palestinian Union of Pharmaceutical Manufacturers, and as the Treasurer of the Catholic Centre for Human Rights (the Society of St. Yves)

Dr Khoury is the recipient of the Medal of Merit from Knights of the Holy Sepulchre, Germany in appreciation of services rendered to the needy in 2002; ordained as Cavaliere dell'Ordine della Stella della Solidarieta' Italiana by the Italian Republic in 2007 in appreciation of services rendered to the Palestinian economy.

Languages: Arabic, English



Shadin Nassar

A Palestinian Christian human rights advocate, born and raised in the West Bank, and holds a degree in International Law and Human Rights from Bard College. Nassar has worked with local and international NGOs, on advocacy projects promoting human rights, good governance, and social inclusion.

Nassar is also the founder of the 'Written Voices' artistic advocacy grassroots project, which uses creative writing as a tool to solidify the Palestinian struggle for justice by equipping Palestinian refugees, women, children, and minority groups with artistic self-expression.

In 2021, Nassar became a member of the Bethlehem Municipality Youth Council, and served as a researcher and teaching assistant at Al-Quds University in international law & international humanitarian law. Nassar recently published a study on titled, 'The Geographical and Spatial Transition of Palestinian Lands to Israeli Lands: From de facto Land Expropriation to de jure Land Expropriation'.

Nassar currently runs the Civic Engagement Office at Al-Quds University and also serves as the Program Coordinator for the Gender Justice Ministry at the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Jordan and the Holy Land (ELCJHL) aiming to challenge the patriarchal infrastructure of the society towards achieving gender justice.

Languages: Arabic, English





Fr. Fadi Diab

Born and educated in the Occupied West Bank, Fr. Dr Fadi Diab is an Anglican priest in the Anglican Diocese of Jerusalem. Fr. Diab serves St Andrew's Anglican Church (Ramallah) and St Peter's Church (Birzeit).

Beside his ministerial duties, Fr. Diab provides leadership and pastoral support to the Episcopal School, the Episcopal Vocation and Training Centre, The Episcopal Medical Centre, The Evangelical Home for Children, and at St. Peter's Church (Birzeit), where he is also working to establish a home for the community elderly.

Fr. Diab is a member of the Palestine-Israeli Theologians Forum, member of the Palestine Advisory Council of the Episcopal Peace Fellowship, co-author of Kairos Palestine Document and board member of Kairos-Palestine.

He has presented workshops at the World Council of Churches on the theological understanding of the Palestine-Israel conflict and spoken widely at churches in the United States of America and the United Kingdom.

Fr. Diab holds a bachelor's degree from the Near East School of Theology in Beirut, a Master of Sacred Theology from Chicago Theological Seminary in Chicago, a Master of Theological Studies from Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary in Evanston, Illinois and a Doctorate in Leadership and Ministry Development from Virginia Theological Seminary in Alexandria, Virginia.

Languages: Arabic, English



Hiba Khoury

Born and raised in Jordan, Ms Khoury has dedicated her career to supporting the humanitarian and development needs of her people, through projects in refugee camps, Birzeit University and the Welfare Association (Taawon), managing and implementing projects in Palestine, Jordan, and Lebanon.

Since 2014 she has been fully dedicated her work with "Sama Gaza", an organization that she co-founded and that has implemented projects and activities in nine out of the 13 Palestinian refugee camps in Jordan, mainly focusing on empowering children, youth, and women by creating opportunities and sustainable projects for the refugee community.

Influenced by her grandfather the late Episcopal Bishop Elia Khoury, Hiba has volunteered with several Christian and Palestinian organizations and hosts a BA in Business Administration and Marketing from the New York Institute of Technology

Languages: Arabic, English



**Xavier Abu Eid**

Born and raised in Chile, Mr. Abu Eid currently serves as a senior adviser to the Palestinian negotiations team, through the Palestinian Negotiations' Affairs Department, which he joined in 2008. Xavier is the author of "Rooted in Palestine: Palestinian Christians and the Struggle for National Liberation 1917 – 2004" (Dar Al Kalima University Press, 2022).

Xavier volunteers with several Palestinian Christian organizations, and currently serves as a member of the General Assembly of the Sabeel Ecumenical Liberation Theology Centre. He holds a BA in Political Science from Diego Portales University, a MA in Diplomatic Studies from Leicester University and a Masters in Advanced Studies in Mediation in Peace Processes from ETH Zurich.

Languages: Arabic, English, Spanish

**Faris Arouri**

Mr. Arouri currently serves as the director of the Jerusalem Human Rights Consortium (JHRC), a consortium of four leading Palestinian human rights organizations native to Jerusalem. The consortium is the main provider of pro bono legal aid to Palestinian Jerusalemites, and a key contributor to the human rights advocacy efforts of the Palestinian civil society.

Prior to joining the JHRC, Faris held several posts within the European Union (EU) programs in Palestine, where he served at the Office of the EU Representative in East Jerusalem, and earlier as the Manager of the EuroMed Youth Programme in Palestine. Beforehand, Faris managed several political and civil society projects.

Faris holds a degree in Economics from Birzeit University, and has been active in the Palestinian civil society and grassroots structures for more than 20 years.

Languages: Arabic, English, French (understood)

