

## **A Discussion on International Law and Palestine: Responsibility, Reparations & Reconciliation**

*Lauterpacht Centre for International Law – Cambridge, 6 December 2024, 9.30am-1pm*

*(in collaboration with the [Cambridge Centre for Palestine Studies](#))*

### **Programme:**

#### **1. Panel 1 (9.30-11am): Private Actor Responsibility**

(Chair: Henning Grosse Ruse-Khan, Law Faculty Cambridge)

- **Mathematics, Technology and War**

**Maurice Chiodo** (Mathematics & Ethics, Centre for the Study of Existential Risk, Cambridge) on the role of Mathematics' and computing technology's capacity for harmful uses

*Comments by Jennifer Cobbe* (Law Faculty Cambridge)

- **Apartheid, Oppression and Big Business**

**Tim (Efthimios) Karayiannides** (Emmanuel College Cambridge) on IBM as historic actor in South Africa Apartheid & role of public pressure on company's decision to change course

*Comments by Andrew Sanger* (Law Faculty Cambridge) on liability under international and domestic law frameworks, and enforceability abroad

- **Palestine and Western Media**

**Makram Khoury-Machool**, (Cambridge Centre for Palestine Studies) on censorship of pro-Palestinian voices since the First Intifada

**Ryan Heuser** (King's College – Digital Humanities) on complicity of Western Media in the context of the war in Gaza

*Comments by Tatyana Eatwell* (Doughty Street Chambers, London)

#### **2. Panel 2 (11.20am-1pm): Towards Reparations & Reconciliation**

(Chair: Tor Krever, Law Faculty Cambridge)

- **The State of the Palestinian Economy**

**Saite Lu** (Economics, Emmanuel College Cambridge): on macro-economic situation in Westbank, incl. economic impact caused by Israel's occupation

*Comments by Federica Paddeu* (Queens College Cambridge)

- **Death and Destruction in Gaza**

**Hanan Abukmail** (International Health System Research Group, Cambridge) on bodily harm, emotional trauma and the systematic destruction of the health system through urban warfare in Gaza

*Comments by **Tatyana Eatwell** (Doughty Street Chambers, London)*

**Wesam Amer** (Sociology, Cambridge University) on the impact of the war in Gaza on the (higher) education system in Gaza

○ **A Way Forward towards Reconciliation?**

**Raphael Henkes** (Cambridge Heritage Research Centre, Department of Archaeology) on notions of reparation and community repair beyond conventional notion of compensation, including a way forward towards a common memorisation and re-conciliation

**Reverend Bill Shaw** (174 Trust) on Northern Ireland peace and reconciliation initiatives

**Mezna Qato** (Newnham College Cambridge) on possibility for reconciliation from Palestinian perspective - what way forward?

Via Zoom: **Paul Biggar** (Tech for Palestine, New York) on how (big) tech can play constructive roles, incl. on avoiding bias and supporting reconciliation

○ **Comments by Penny Green** (Queen Mary University of London) on the role of international law in the Israel – Palestine conflict