The War on Gaza:

Political Economy Conversations

Rosa Luxemburg Stiftung Palestine & Jordan Regional Office invites you to join a webinar series titled "The War on Gaza: Political Economy Conversations". The three-lecture series, moderated by Ibrahim Shikaki, will take place via Zoom on November 5th, 12th, and 19th at 5:00 p.m. Palestine local timing.

In this lectures series the speakers discuss the profound implications of the war for Palestine's economy and political landscape. Concretely, the speakers explore the short and long run economic costs of the war, alongside current and future policy responses. Furthermore, the lectures will highlight the limitations of mainstream economic analysis in the Palestinian context, and offer food for thought on alternative economic ideas and policies.

The discussion will be held in English, with simultaneous translation to Arabic available. A reminder about each lecture will be sent a day before with details about the topic and speaker.

About the lectures:

5-11-2024 | The Economic Cost of the War With Economist Habib Hinn

The Economic Cost of the War - The lecture offers a somber analysis of the economic costs during the last year. Relying on the work of the Palestine Economic Policy Research Institute (MAS), the presentation will encapsulate the destruction of productive capacity, labour resources, and the severe structural distortions of the war for both the Gaza Strip and the West Bank.

12-11-2024 Policy Space in the Aftermath of the War with Dr. Nasr Abdelkarim

The lecture addresses the limitation of current economic policies and their limitations. The already dire economic conditions before the war have been coupled with a narrowing of both fiscal and monetary spaces. The lecture will shed light on the intensification of Israel's economic warfare after October 2023, and the impacts on the future of the Palestinian economy.

19-11-2024 Alternative Economic Approaches with Dr. Ibrahim Shikaki -

There is danger in dealing with the post-war situation merely as an emergency and reconstruction mission, which would -in the best-case scenario- revert to the economic status quo and keep any notion of a Palestinian economy locked in a cycle of poverty and de-development. Building on the first two lectures, the final lecture in the series discusses the possibility of alternative economic approaches for the day after the war.

To register, click here: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfsSX_ylCWZy4scPnRecwA-ZQD_EwjDWWVql-tXqO-8TK9Jqw/viewform