



COORDINATING  
COUNCIL 4 PALESTINE

# INAUGURAL CONFERENCE 2024

NOVEMBER 1-2  
CENTRE ST. PIERRE, MONTRÉAL

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Defending and supporting the  
rights of the *Palestinian people*.



**OPENING SESSION 8:45 AM**

Welcome and Opening by Katsi'tsakwas Ellen Gabriel  
CC4P Opening Speech with Christo El-Morr

9:30 AM Coffee break

**SESSION II 10:00 AM**

The Academic Situation in Gaza and our Contribution to an Emergency Plan  
with Dr. Ayman Oweida, Dr. Aron Rosenberg  
Moderated by Dr. Leila Hoballah

12:00 PM Lunch break

**SESSION III 1:00 PM**

The Representation of Palestine/Palestinians in Canadian Media  
with Darine Houmani, Martin Lukacs, Sam Hersh, Sarah Samuel, Shehnaz Kermali  
Moderated by Ali Ashoor

**SESSION IV 3:00 PM**

Criminalizing Dissent  
with Charlotte Kates, Dimitri Lascaris, Natalie Knight, Yves Engler  
Moderated by Nour Kadri

**SESSION V 4:00 PM**

- a. The Role of the Palestinian Diaspora  
with Christo El-Morr, Nadia Shoufani, Rana Abdallah  
Moderated by Wafa Loubani
- b. The Students and Youth Intifada and Palestine [room# 203]  
with Ali Salman, Yasmine El-Dukar, Meshama Eyob-Austin  
Moderated by Artin

5:00 PM Dinner break

**KEYNOTE SPEECHES 6:00 PM**

Chaired by Prof. Mayada ElSabbagh

A Global Intifada: Shaking off the Age of Colonial Modernity  
with Dr. Muhannad Ayyash

The Intimate Relationship between Settler Colonialism and the Production of Impairment: A Case  
Example the Ongoing Genocide in Palestine  
with Dr. Yahya El-Lahib



**MUSIC CONCERT  
WITH NASAMAT BAND**



**SESSION I 8:30 AM**

**Healthcare as Resistance**

*Moderated by Dr. Bassam Abdelkarim and Dr. Ayman Oweida*

**Effects of Blockade, the Emergency Response, and Improving Basic Health Care in Gaza**  
*with Dr. Ahmad Shatat*

**Occupation as a Determinant of Palestinian Health and the Role of Health Workers in the Struggle for Liberation**

*with Dr. Ghassan Abu Sittah*

**A Call to Action for Health Worker Solidarity**

*with Dr. Mathew Hannouche*

**Overview of Emergency, Operating Room, and Radiology Support**

*with Dr. Mohamed Matar*

**Addressing the Immediate Need for Medical Imaging and Laboratory Support**

*with Dr. Othman Smadi*

**SESSION II 10:30 AM**

**Palestine and Canada: Elections and Strategies for Popular Participation**

*with John Hutton, Manuel Tapial, Yara Shoufani*

*Moderated by Labib Farajallah*

10:15 AM Coffee break

**SESSION III 11:30 AM**

**Palestine in Poetry and Literature**

*with Lubna Taha, Razan al-Saleh, Salma Ali Shaaban*

*Moderated by Rula Jurdi*

12:30 PM Lunch break

**SESSION IV 1:30 PM**

**Women and Resistance: Lebanese & Palestinian Women**

*with Caline Nasrallah, Malek Abisaab, Michelle Hartman*

*Moderated by Antisar Al-Nasiry*

**SESSION V 2:30 PM**

**The BDS and Current Challenges**

*with Chadi Marouf, Kevin Gould, Miles Howe, Sabine Friesinger*

*Moderated by Norma Rantisi*

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**SESSION VI 3:30 PM**

**Building Palestinian Solidarity: Lessons from Past Anti-systemic Struggles**  
*Moderated by Amin Moutaa*

**Cold War Counterintelligence: From Pan-Africanism to Palestine**  
*with Wyndell Nii Laryea Adjetey*

**Notes on Solidarity: Montreal, Mathaba, South Africa and Palestine**  
*with David Austin*

**How Medias Shape our Worldview: A Gramscian Analysis of the Current Situation**  
*with Gramsci Group*

**Oslo: Setbacks and Lessons for Movement-Building**  
*with Sarah Shamy*

**Historical Materialism and Palestine as the Weakest link for Arab Development**  
*with Jude Qadri*

**Arabs and Jews: Soviet Internationalism and the Question of Palestine**  
*with Daniel Schwartz*

**SESSION VII 5:00 PM**

**Palestine, the International Criminal Court and International Law**  
*Moderated by Omar Farahat & Nina Farnia*

**International Law? Where?**  
*with Philippe Larochelle*

**The Relationship between US Imperialism and International Law**  
*with Nina Farnia*

**The Political Significance of the International Court of Justice: The Genocide Case**  
*with Mouin Rabbani*

**Canada Violates the Genocide Convention**  
*with Dimitri Lascaris*

**The Gaza Genocide: Exploring the Role of Law in Struggles for Liberation**  
*with Emilio Dabed*

**CONCLUDING SESSION 7:00 PM**

