

### News

- The Institute of Law (IoL) at Birzeit University adopted its strategic orientations for the years 2019-2022 which include research, teaching and training programs, and legal informatics ([Arabic press release](#)).
- The IoL, in cooperation with the Arab Bethlehem Rehabilitation Society, concluded a specialized training program on preparing policy papers and legislative policies. ([Arabic press release](#))
- A delegation from Birzeit University [met the Minister of Justice Mr. Ali Abu Diak](#) in order to discuss ways to strengthen and activate cooperation and joint work between the Ministry of Justice and the University.
- The Institute of Law at Birzeit University hosted a delegation from Konrad Adenauer Stiftung as part of the ongoing meetings between them in order to discuss the Institute's plans and future programs and also to enhance cooperation between them. ([Arabic press release](#))
- The IoL Signed an agreement with the United Nations Development Program, for the purpose of supporting and financing "Al-Muqtafi". ([Arabic press release](#))

### IoL research papers series

Recently, IoL researchers worked on several research papers, including;

- **Mahmoud Alawneh and Nadia Abu-Alia:** [Reference paper on "Social Market Economy: Objectives and Principles"](#).
- **Mueen Barghouthi:** [The Constitutional Aspects of "Social Market Economy"](#).  
(Arabic research paper)
- **Mustafa Mari:** [The International Contractual Aspects for the State of Palestine](#).  
(Arabic research paper)
- **Elias Al-Hihi:** [The Nature of Palestine's Obligations under the ICESCR: The Rights to Work and Health as Case Studies](#).
- **Jamil Salem:** [The Evolution of the Social State: The German Model](#).  
(Arabic research paper)

**Ala'a Hammad:** [The Social Security Decree By Law No. \(19\) of 2014 from the Social Market Economy Perspective.](#) (Arabic research paper)

- **Nisreen Daromar:** [Analyzing the Applicable Company Law in the West Bank of Palestine in Light of the Social Market Economy Principles'.](#)

**Morouj Rihan:** [To What Extent Palestinian Legislation is Compatible with the Principle of the Precedence of Monetary Policy as one of the Basic Principles of Social Market Economy.](#) (Arabic research paper)

**Shorouq Salameh:** [To What Extent Palestinian Legislation is Compatible with the Principle of Having an Effective Price System for Goods, Services, and Markets as one of the Basic Principles of Social Market Economy.](#) (Arabic research paper)

- **Karam Omar:** [Hypothesis for Applying a Social Market Economy in Palestine \(working paper\).](#)

## Public Events

### International Conference:

- October 3rd -4th of 2018: An academic conference organized by Al-Haq, in partnership with Birzeit University Institute of Law, the Palestinian Centre for Human Rights (PCHR) and the International Federation for Human Rights (FIDH), Entitled "[The Threshold from Occupation to Annexation](#)" was held at Birzeit University.

### Workshops:

- November 21<sup>st</sup> of 2018: [the principals and determinants of the social market economy](#)
- December 18<sup>th</sup> of 2018: [The Economic System in Palestine: Free Market Economy or Social Market Economy?](#)

### Birzeit Legal Encounters

- July 25<sup>th</sup> of 2018: [Death Penalty in Palestine in Light of accession to the optional Protocol to the Abolition of the death penalty.](#)
- October 9th of 2018: [The prevailing economic system in Palestine, and the impact on the middle classes.](#) (Arabic press release)
- October 23<sup>rd</sup> of 2018: [The prevailing economic system in Palestine and the impact on the middle class.](#) (Arabic press release)
- November 1<sup>st</sup> of 2018: [Housing rights in light of mass displacement during the 2014 war on Gaza.](#)
- November 17<sup>th</sup> of 2018: [Draft Palestinian Landlord Tenant Law.](#)
  - December 8<sup>th</sup> of 2018: [Palestinian social security system.](#)
  - December 11<sup>th</sup> of 2018: [PARIS Protocol On Economic Relations & Ways of Disengagement From Occupation.](#) (Arabic press release)

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