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Reforming Local Government and State Building in Palestine

Moderated By Professor Diane Singerman, Dept. of Government SPA

Local government units in Palestine play a very important role in providing services and infrastructure to citizens especially during the continuous political and economic crises. Several reforms have been undertaken in the sector as local government units are considered engines for local development and the key factors to “sustainable and democratic state building”. However, local government units face substantial challenges in fulfilling their role as service providers, leaders of local development and leverage for a future Palestinian state. This talk will give an overview of local government development in Palestine and address the challenges faced within the context of the international development framework.

Guest Speaker:

Abeer Mashni

Mashni is currently one of the Carnegie Centennial visiting fellows at School of Public Affairs, American University. She is a lecturer at the Faculty of Law and Public Administration at Bir Zeit University, Palestine. Mashni is also an advanced PhD candidate at Paris I Sorbonne University in France, writing her dissertation on the “Role of Local Government in Building a Palestinian State.”

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