

**The Jewish-Arab Center – The University of Haifa, Sikkuy, Adalah and
The Ibn Khaldoun Center**

Wednesday 16 May 2007: Sefadia Hall, University of Haifa

**Palestinians and Jews in Israel:
On the Threshold of Confrontation or Reconciliation?
The Current Situation and Future Perspectives**

The Program:

- 9:00-9:30 Arrival and Orientation
- 9:30-10:00 Welcome:
Mr. Dan Bavly, Chairperson of the Board, The Jewish-Arab Center,
University of Haifa
Dr. Muhamad Amara, Member of the Board of Directors, Sikkuy
Dr. Mahmoud Yazbak, Member of the Board of Directors, Adalah
Dr. As'ad Ghanem, University of Haifa and the Ibn Khaldoun Center
- 10:00-11:30 **Session One: The Governing Regime and Demands for Change: The
Future Vision and The Democratic Constitution**
Session moderator: *Mr. Ali Haider*, Adv., Co-Executive Director, Sikkuy
Dr. Arik Karmon, The Israel Democracy Institute
Hassan Jabareen, Adv., General Director, Adalah
Dr. As'ad Ghanem, University of Haifa and the Ibn Khaldoun Center
Dr. Asher Cohen, Political Science Department, Bar Ilan University
Dr. Ilan Saban, Faculty of Law, University of Haifa
- 11:30-13:00 **Session Two: Relations Between the Two National Groups**
Session moderator: *Dr. Sarah Ozacky-Lazar*, Citizens' Accord Forum
Prof. Sammy Smooha, Dean of the Faculty of Social Science, University of
Haifa
Mr. Baker Awdi, General Director, The Center Against Racism
Mr. Shuli Dichter, Co-Executive Director, Sikkuy
Prof. Marwan Dwairy, Chairperson of the Board of Directors, Adalah
Mr. Marzouq Halabi, Author and Journalist
- 13:00-13:30 **Break**
- 13:30-15:00 **Session Three: Policies of the Government and Law Enforcement
Authorities Towards Arab Citizens**
Dr. Nihaya Daoud, The Hebrew University
Mr. Shawqi Khatib, Chairperson, The High Follow-up Committee for
Arab Citizens of Israel and Head of The National Committee of Arab
Mayors
Mr. Michael Eitan, Member of Knesset

Dr. Jubran Jubran, Sikkuy

*Prof. Shlomo Hasson, Department of Geography, The Hebrew University
Sawsan Zaher, Adv., Adalah*

15:00-16:30 **Session Four: The Role of the Media in Covering Issues of the Arab Community**

Moderator: *Dr. Faisal Azaiza*, Head of The Jewish-Arab Center,
University of Haifa

Mr. Wadie Awawdi, Kol al-Arab

Mr. Hisham Naffa’, Al-Ittihad

Mr. Uzi Benziman, Ha’aretz

Mr. Ben Dror Yamini, Ma’ariv

Ms. Haneen Zoubi, General Director, I’lam – Media Center for Arab
Palestinians in Israel Media Center

16:30-16:45 **Summary:** *Dr. Khaled Abu Asba*, Co-Chairperson, Board of Directors,
Sikkuy