PDF Participation and activities abroad

2/3 - 5/3 Sweden:

In cooperation with the Palestinian Peace Coalition / Geneva Initiative, PDF participated in meetings held in Sweden at the Olof Palme Institute between March 2nd and 5th, 2009. The meetings concentrated on clarifying the Geneva Initiative to explore new steps to promote it publicly and to present it to the Swedish offices from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

17/3 - 19/3 Brussels :

As achieve active member of the Palestinian NGO Forum, PDF participated in a tour of the European parliament and EU Council between March 17th and 19th, 2009. The delegation of PIPNGOF members led by the two Co- Chairs held meetings with EU officials including Ms. Benita Ferrero-Valdnar and the office of Mr. Javier Solana. They also participated in a debate attended by over a hundred MEP. In addition, a special evening was held at the center of Secular Jewish Community in Brussels. The meetings concentrated on the role of Palestinian and Israeli civil societies in advancing peace leading towards end of occupation and establishment of an independent Palestinian state next to the state of Israel along the lines of 1967.

3/5 - 7/5 Sweden:

In a joint venture between Panorama and MACRO (Palestinian and Israeli NGOs) at the offices of Sida, PDF participated in meetings held in Sweden between May 3rd and 7th, 2009. Participants made a presentation of the study conducted by both NGOs on Israeli settlements and possible use of certain settlements by Palestinian State when a peace agreement is signed.

ضمن نشاطات منتقى السلام والديموقراطية الهادفة لرفع مستوى الوعي وخاصة لدى الشباب المقدسين , فقد عقد الملتقى ورشة عمل ضمت مجموعة من الطلاب الجامعيين والثانويين عبر تعاون مشترك بين الملتقى واتحاد الطلاب المقدسيين . وكان عنوان الورشة " الانتماء والمواطنة " وتم التطرق ايضا لموضوع الانتخابات الفلسطنية العامة لاهمية مشاركة فئة الشباب في هذه الانتخابات وتوعيتهم على اهمية هذه العملية والتي من خلالها يتم تعزيز الوجود الفلسطيني في القدس الشرقية .

June Symposium 06/09

Within the activities of the Peace and Democracy Forum which aimed to raise awareness among Jerusalemite youth, the Forum held a workshop involving around 50 High School and University Students. The round table debate was coordinated with the Federation of Jerusalemite Students. The title of the workshop was "Affiliation and Citizenry". Participants discussed the issue of the Palestinian general elections .they viewed with importance the participation of young people in elections and how to strengthen their role.

The JPF (Jerusalem Policy Forum) conducted a workshop on the 18th of June, 2009 at the Ambassador Hotel in Jerusalem. Participants split in four discussion groups to deal with Advocacy Vis-à-vis, Economy, Environment, Urban planning and Health situation of Palestinian resident of East Jerusalem.