

Title: *Palestinian Politics 101*

Date & Time: August 12, 12pm ET

Speaker: Sam Bahour

### Suggested Readings

#### Preparatory Materials

1. [Mapping Palestinian Politics](#)
2. [Vox Israel-Palestine primer](#)
3. Khalidi, R. (2013). The United States and the Palestinians, 1977–2012. *Journal of Palestine Studies*, 42(4), 61-72. doi:10.1525/jps.2013.42.4.61
4. Rahman, O. (2019). From Confusion to Clarity: Three Pillars for Revitalizing the Palestinian National Movement. *Brookings Doha Center*.
5. Rumley, G. (2017, September 17). [The Doomed Palestinian Reconciliation Plan](#).
6. Said, E. W. (1991). Reflections on Twenty Years of Palestinian History. *Journal of Palestine Studies*, 20(4), 5-22. doi:10.1525/jps.1991.20.4.00p0264q
7. Shikaki, K. (1996). The Palestinian Elections: An Assessment. *Journal of Palestine Studies*, 25(3), 17-22. doi:10.1525/jps.1996.25.3.00p01215
8. Swart, M. (2019). [Palestinian Reconciliation Transitional Justice English](#). *Brookings Doha Center*, 25.

#### Readings by The Lecturer

1. List of articles by Sam Bahour can be found [here](#)

#### Books

1. Elgindy, K. (2019). *Blind spot: America and the Palestinians, from Balfour to Trump*. Washington, D.C.: Brookings Institution Press.
2. Khalidi, R. (2015). *The iron cage: The story of the Palestinian struggle for statehood*. Richmond: Oneworld.
3. Kimmerling, B., & Migdal, J. S. (2009). *The Palestinian People A History*. Cambridge: Harvard University Press.

#### Discussion Questions

- What aspects about the current Palestinian leadership structure surprised you?
- What do you think is the biggest challenge in the Palestinian political sphere?
- How does learning more about Palestinian politics affect how you think about the conflict and the work that needs to be done to reach a peaceful solution?