



Annual Report

1 October 2024 - 30 September 2025

About this report

Law for Palestine is a UN (CEIRPP) accredited, Palestinian led international civil society organisation working at the intersection of law, justice and Palestinian self determination. This report documents the activities carried out by the organisation for the period from 1 October 2024 to 30 September 2025.

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Governing Council, Law for Palestine

From the Governing Council

This past year has carried both the weight of unfathomable loss and the urgency of unwavering resolve. There has been a “ceasefire” in Gaza but the lived reality shows that the settler colonial genocide has not ended; it has merely shifted in form. As global actors rush to restore “normalcy”, we see efforts to gloss over atrocities, recast structural violence as peace building, and move forward without accountability or confronting the truth that no peace is possible without decolonisation.

Across the West Bank, including East Jerusalem, State and settler violence has expanded exponentially, annexation accelerates at an unprecedented speed, forcible displacement has affected far more communities than ever before, and the policies and practices of apartheid are further entrenched. There is no alternative to dismantling the Israeli apartheid regime imposed on the Palestinian people across the region and in the diaspora and bringing to an end Israel’s unlawful presence in the Occupied Palestinian Territory.

Repression has deepened, and the silencing of pro-Palestinian solidarity has intensified worldwide, from students to scholars, civil society to intergovernmental legal institutions. Yet, these voices have not been extinguished; they have only multiplied. The demand for justice grows louder and more fearless, driven by people who refuse the erasure of the Palestinian people’s inalienable right to return and self-determination.

We recognise the despair felt by many: the path to justice appears long and the forces against it powerful. This ongoing attack is not only a mass violation of Palestinian rights but a grave assault on the very idea of the international order. In such moments, hope must become an active commitment.

At Law for Palestine, hope is something we build through engaging with the law and its institutions, our community, and the movement at large. Over the past year, we have worked to turn the crisis into a catalyst for legal mobilisation, engaging international bodies, pressing States to uphold their legal obligations, producing legal analyses, convening experts, supporting cases before national and international courts and strengthening networks dedicated to ending impunity. As attempts at normalisation rise, our work ensures that the legal record cannot be rewritten and that justice remains non-negotiable.

Our mission has never been more essential. Palestine remains the litmus test of our time. This year reaffirmed that international law remains a vital battlefield for justice – capable, when wielded collectively and courageously, of challenging and dismantling systems of oppression. The systems that oppress us, wherever we are in the world, are interconnected. Therefore it is critical that we build solidarities across struggles, learn from each other, and leverage our collective power.

Until Palestinian people attain liberation, Law for Palestine will continue its work. Supported by our Board, volunteers, Forum members, partners and wider community, we remain steadfast, drawing strength from all who fuel our work. At a time when our efforts are more urgently needed than ever, your continued support, in any form, helps sustain and expand this vital work. As you read this report, we hope you will see not only the challenges we confront but the momentum we are building, to ensure that we build a better world.

Thank you for standing with us. Together, we will continue to push forward, grounded in truth, guided by a framework of justice and driven by an unwavering belief in a liberated future for the Palestinian people.

Ihsan Adel
Founder and Chair

Anisha Patel
Head of Legal Action



About Law for Palestine

We exist to transform, harness, and uphold the power of international law in the service of the Palestinian struggle for liberation and to strengthen the broader human rights ecosystem.

MISSION

Through building a global network of legal professionals, Law for Palestine facilitates legal action, and influences public narratives, specialised discourses, and official policies toward a rights-based approach in the Palestinian context. We empower affected communities by centering their voices, strengthening their legal capacity and connecting them with international legal mechanisms. By engaging diverse expert perspectives, providing comprehensive, objective legal content, and documenting key international legal developments related to Palestine, we strive to uphold and defend the rights of the Palestinian people worldwide in accordance with international law.

VISION

We envision a world where Palestinian rights are internationally recognised and protected through a unified commitment to justice, accountability, and the effective application of international law.

HOW WE WORK

We connect, equip and develop strategies for and in collaboration with our global network of

Legal scholars and practitioners

Human rights defenders and
civil society organisations

Movement lawyers, students
and everyday people

We translate complex legal rulings into actionable strategies, support and participate in legal actions and advocacy with our partners through research and legal advice, and provide training, coordination, and legal support to grassroots efforts that seek to disrupt complicity, such as halting arms transfers and challenging state and corporate complicity.

Across the Americas, Europe, Africa, Asia and Oceania, Law for Palestine's working units are driven by the dedication of over **100 volunteers**, guided by our Governing Council, supported by our Board of Trustees, and informed by the expertise of our global network. Our team represents over 36 nationalities, including a significant number of Palestinian colleagues. The General Assembly convenes annually to approve budgets and priorities, ensuring transparency and inclusion.



“Law for Palestine is one of the most positive developments I have seen in the scene of advocacy for Palestine in quite a long time”

Francesca Albanese,

United Nations Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Palestinian territories occupied since 1967

Much of this work cannot be counted. Some of it can.

The figures below cover the quantifiable work done between 01 October 2024 and 30 September 2025. They measure output rather than impact, and they sit alongside our legal advice, coalition work and case support that no table can capture.

60

NEW PIECES OF EVIDENCE
DOCUMENTING GENOCIDAL
INTENT

52

WEEKLY LEGAL SCENE
REPORTS IN ENGLISH AND
ARABIC

13

LEGAL BRIEFINGS AND
DISCUSSIONS

8

LEGAL BLOGS PUBLISHED

7

LEGAL BRIEFS PRESENTED AT
INTERNATIONAL FORUMS

2

LONG FORM RESEARCH
REPORTS

3

SUBMISSIONS TO
INTERNATIONAL COURTS

2

STRATEGIC LITIGATION CASES
SUPPORTED

1

INTERACTIVE TOOL EXPOSING
ISRAELI VIOLATIONS

300+

JOURNALISTS, FIELD RESEARCHERS, CIVIL SOCIETY PARTNERS, AND HUMAN RIGHTS ACTIVISTS
TRAINED



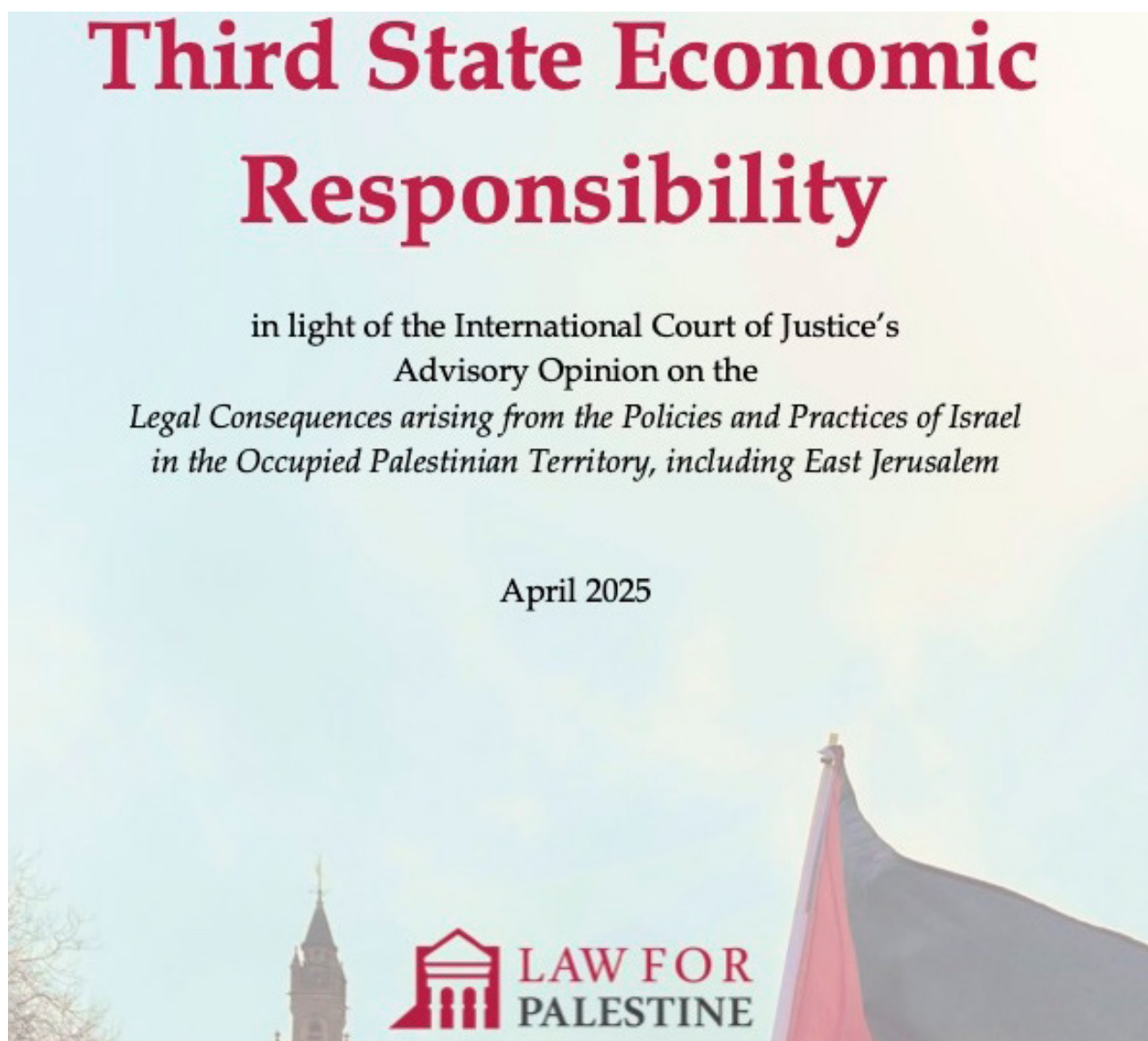
Research and Discourse

Shifting the narrative to a rights based approach

Research and Discourse

Over the past year, Law for Palestine's Research and Discourse Unit has produced timely and rigorous analysis that translates legal developments into concrete tools for action and shapes the broader discourse on Palestine and international law. Through weekly [Legal Scene](#) reports, legal [summaries](#) and briefs, [blog posts](#) and long-form reports, the Unit has provided critical commentary on key legal questions – monitoring proceedings before the International Court of Justice (ICJ), engaging with UN mechanisms and responding directly to the wider movement's evolving needs. As a core pillar of L4P, the Unit also drives progress across the organisation, feeding into work on legal action and movement building.

L4P's research is designed to empower the movement and inform policy, turning legal analysis into accessible, actionable resources for activists, campaigners, students, legal practitioners, and policymakers. Through this work, L4P seeks to ensure that international law becomes a living instrument of resistance, transformation and informed decision-making for everyone working to dismantle systems of oppression, advance accountability and drive meaningful change.



Key highlights

Third State Economic Responsibility

A central focus of the Research and Discourse Unit's work has been the continued exploration of economic responsibility, a long-overlooked dimension of Third State accountability. In April 2025, L4P published a long-form [report](#) on Third State Economic Responsibility, building on the ICJ's 2024 Advisory Opinion. The report brought together legal scholars, economists and human rights practitioners to connect legal reasoning with financial and trade realities. It outlines a clear legal framework for assessing economic responsibility, highlighting how Third States' trade, investment and corporation relations with Israel contribute to its settler-colonial project and unlawful acts, including apartheid, annexation, and genocide. The report also sets out concrete measures Third States must take to end their complicity and equips policymakers with the legal language and frameworks to advance economic accountability and ensure compliance with international law.

Legal insights from UN Special Rapporteurs

Another central focus of the Research and Discourse Unit has been assessing the integrity of the international legal system and identifying ways to strengthen it. In collaboration with the Independent Commission for Human Rights, L4P published a long-form [report](#) drawing on interviews with seven UN Special Procedures mandate holders, released as the UN General Assembly's 12-month deadline for Israel to end its unlawful presence in Occupied Palestinian Territory expired in September 2025. The report examines the legal consequences of Israel's non-compliance and the wider implications for Third State responsibility, the role of the UN, civil society mobilisation and the structural challenges faced by mandate holders themselves. The findings underline the core challenges confronting the future of international law and focus attention toward the responsibilities of States and multilateral mechanisms alike to ensure its credibility and functionality.

12-Month Deadline Ends:

UN Experts Offer Legal Insights on Next Steps

After Israel's Non-Compliance with ICJ and UNGA Demands to End the Occupation



Alexandra Xanthaki
UN Special Rapporteur in the field of cultural rights



Michael Fakhri
UN Special Rapporteur on the right to food



Farida Shaheed
UN Special Rapporteur on the right to education



George Katrougalos
UN Independent Expert on the promotion of a democratic and equitable international order



Balakrishnan Rajagopal
UN Special Rapporteur on the right to adequate housing



Reem Alsalem
UN Special Rapporteur on violence against women and girls, its causes and consequences



Francesca Albanese
Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the oPt since 1967

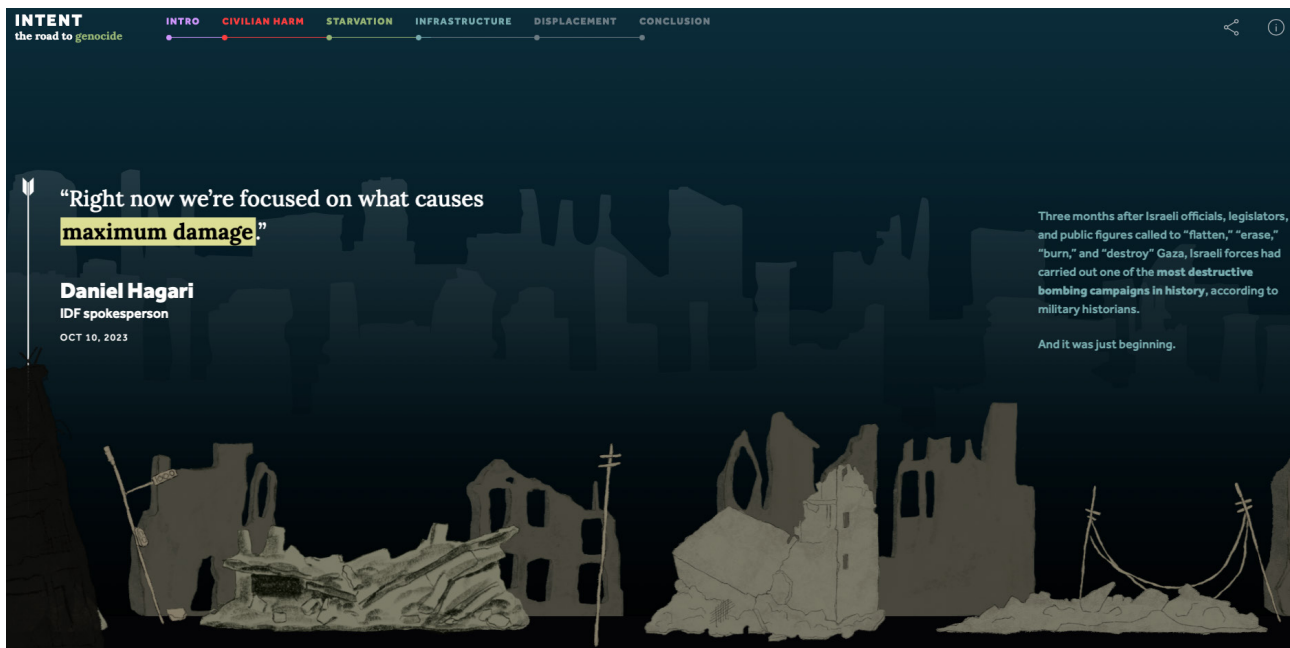

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Visualising the Road to Genocide

The crime of genocide requires clear evidence of intent to destroy, in whole or in part, a protected group. Israel has been very explicit about their intention to eradicate the Palestinian people in Gaza. Beginning in October 2023, Law for Palestine undertook a systematic effort to document and record instances of genocidal incitement by Israeli officials and decision-makers. In 2024, and in partnership with Visualizing Palestine, L4P created an [interactive database](#) and [visual timeline](#) that compiles hundreds of statements made by Israeli political leaders, military figures, and other public officials. The timeline situates these statements alongside Israel's major military operations and actions in Gaza, illustrating the direct relationship between rhetoric and atrocity. By translating complex legal evidence into a clear, accessible visual format, the database outlines Israel's genocidal intent along with events on the ground, as they transpired, enabling scholars, advocates, and the broader public to understand and articulate Israeli actions within the framework of genocide under international law.



Legal Action

Turning legal expertise and knowledge into legal action and strategic litigation across jurisdictions

Legal Action

Law for Palestine's Legal Action Unit engages with international law across the different courts and UN systems, making strategic interventions that shift policy, shape discourse, and create legal avenues for the Palestinian people to exercise their right to self determination at the international and domestic levels. In 2024-25, L4P prioritised participating in legal proceedings, making international legal frameworks and jurisprudence useful to both grassroots organisations and decision-makers, documenting legal and factual shifts, applying progressive interpretations of international law norms in on going cases, and leveraging this analysis towards achieving strategic objectives of the movement. By combining evidence gathering, direct legal input, litigation support, movement wide collaboration, and targeted communication for States and UN bodies, L4P works to ensure that what happens inside courtrooms drives accountability, helps build political momentum, and contributes to the broader movement for justice and Palestinian self determination.



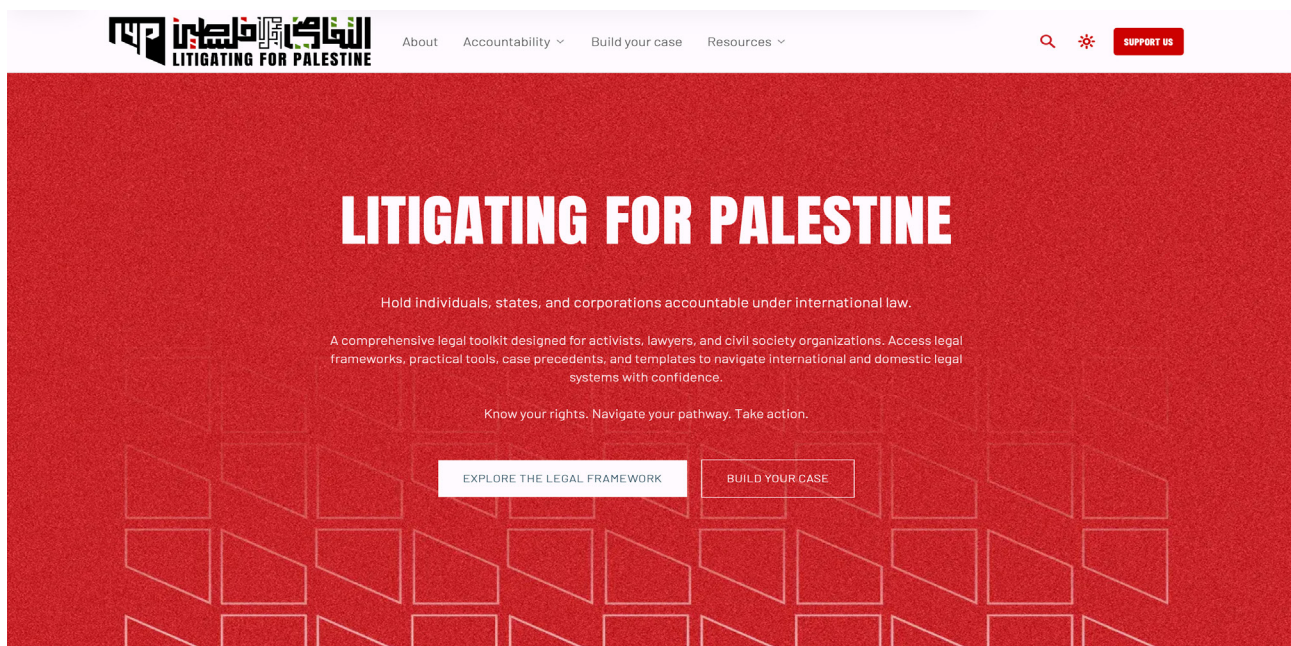
Key highlights

International Court of Justice

Law for Palestine, through its Head of Legal Action, participated as legal counsel for Nicaragua in the Alleged Breaches of Certain International Obligations in respect of the Occupied Palestinian Territory (*Nicaragua v. Germany*) at the International Court of Justice. L4P participated in evidence collection, legal analysis, and drafting of Nicaragua's *Memorial* of July 2025. Nicaragua argues that, in light of Germany's conduct, including its provision of military and other support to Israel, Germany has failed to comply with a number of obligations under international law. Third States play a critical role in maintaining Israel's settler-colonial regime and unlawful occupation of the Occupied Palestinian Territory, the denial of the Palestinian people's right to self-determination, its system of apartheid, and serious violations against the Palestinian people, including genocide. Nicaragua's case against Germany is therefore significant beyond Germany itself, as it has the potential to establish an important precedent for ensuring accountability for States that participate in, facilitate or contribute to the maintenance of unlawful situations and serious violations of international law in Palestine.

Litigating for Palestine Toolkit

Law for Palestine seeks to ensure that strategic litigation efforts in national jurisdictions aimed towards realising the rights of the Palestinian people are centred around Palestinian voices, grounded in international law, supported by solid evidence and underpinned by legal expertise and accumulated experiences. As a core step toward this vision, Law for Palestine has developed a comprehensive Strategic Litigation Toolkit for lawyers and activists, which will be published in 2026. Developed in close collaboration with key stakeholders in the movement, the Toolkit consolidates legal pathways, case strategies, filing options, advocacy components, and practical guidance to support the initiation of cases in national jurisdictions. It draws directly on experience accumulated through the work of Law for Palestine, its partners, and other organisations involved in pursuing accountability and litigation for Palestinian rights worldwide and contributing to coalition building.





JLAC

Palestinian families file a **legal complaint** in Germany against the media conglomerate **Axel Springer**

Strategic Litigation in action

In 2024-25, Law for Palestine's strategic litigation team, in collaboration with a lawyers collective in Berlin, supported [legal action](#) led by the Jerusalem Legal Aid and Human Rights Centre (JLAC) against the German mass media company, Axel Springer SE, under the German Supply Chain Act. The case, submitted on behalf of Palestinian communities, concerned Axel Springer's role in facilitating land grabbing and human rights violations in the Occupied Palestinian Territory through its Israeli subsidiary Yad2, which operates a real estate platform. The case is an exercise in using domestic tools to challenge corporate involvement in settlement expansion and Israel's continued unlawful presence in the Occupied Palestinian Territory. Additionally, L4P, in collaboration with partners, supported the lawyers collective in Berlin to file a [criminal complaint](#) against eleven German Government officials and arms trade executives, [providing](#) extensive evidence and legal analysis for predicate crimes, including genocide, crimes against humanity, and war crimes.

UN Mechanisms and Special Procedures

Making international and domestic legal proceedings [accessible](#) to scholars, practitioners, and grassroots organisations has been a focal area for L4P and notable tools for this purpose include L4P's [Thematic Organisation of the ICJ's Advisory Opinion](#) as well as a [Summary of State Positions](#) in the UNRWA Advisory Opinion proceedings. Additionally, L4P has mobilised legal evidence and analysis for UN human rights processes by preparing submissions to UN mechanisms, the Commission of Inquiry, and Special Procedures.



UN Member States and other briefings

Recognising States as key actors of international law and their influence on legal developments, L4P's Legal Action Unit complemented court-oriented work with targeted communication towards State actors. This included briefing member States at the [UN Headquarters](#) in New York and providing legal inputs to [The Hague Group](#) at the emergency ministerial conferences that considered State measures capable of changing on-the-ground realities in the Occupied Palestinian Territory. Through organizing events at State gatherings such as the [ICC Assembly of State Parties](#) and the [UN Human Rights Council](#), L4P created spaces for States, Civil Society Organisations, and affected communities to come together to identify key international legal challenges and develop mitigation strategies.



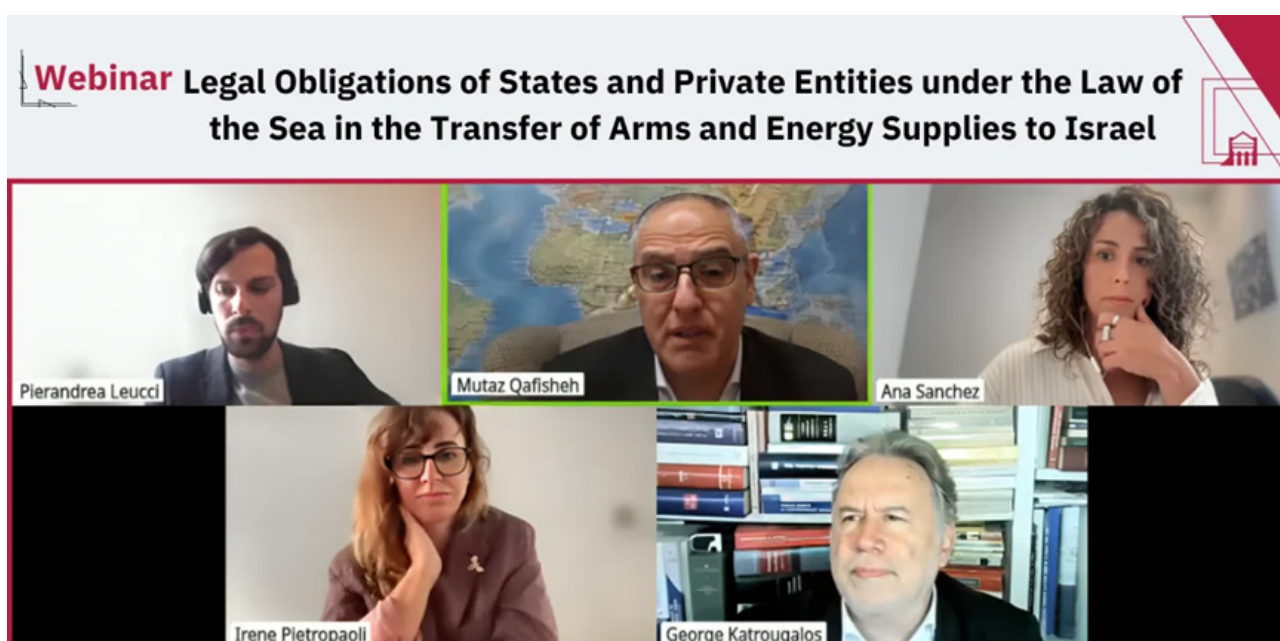
Empowerment

Strengthening legal work through education, collaboration, and cross-sector network building

Empowerment

Over the past year, Law for Palestine has strengthened the international legal ecosystem for Palestine by building capacity, fostering networks and advancing strategic legal dialogue. Through trainings and webinars, L4P has reached researchers, journalists, civil society actors, academics and policymakers, deepening legal understanding, equipping participants with practical tools for field research and inspiring the active application of international law to advance justice and accountability.

Law for Palestine has cultivated a diverse and inspiring network of legal professionals and grassroots actors, facilitating meaningful synergies across regions, sectors, institutions and organisations united by a shared mission to support the realisation of Palestinian rights and ensure accountability.



Key highlights

Targeted Trainings and Skills Development

This year, L4P delivered a series of trainings tailored for legal students, institutional and civil society partners, state actors and media professionals. Key highlights include:

- Training over 100 field researchers in Palestine
- Participation in a regional media conference in Jordan, as well as workshops and dialogues in London, Berlin, Colombia, Istanbul, New York, Geneva, Tunis, and The Hague
- Conducting two specialised courses for media professionals on documenting war crimes

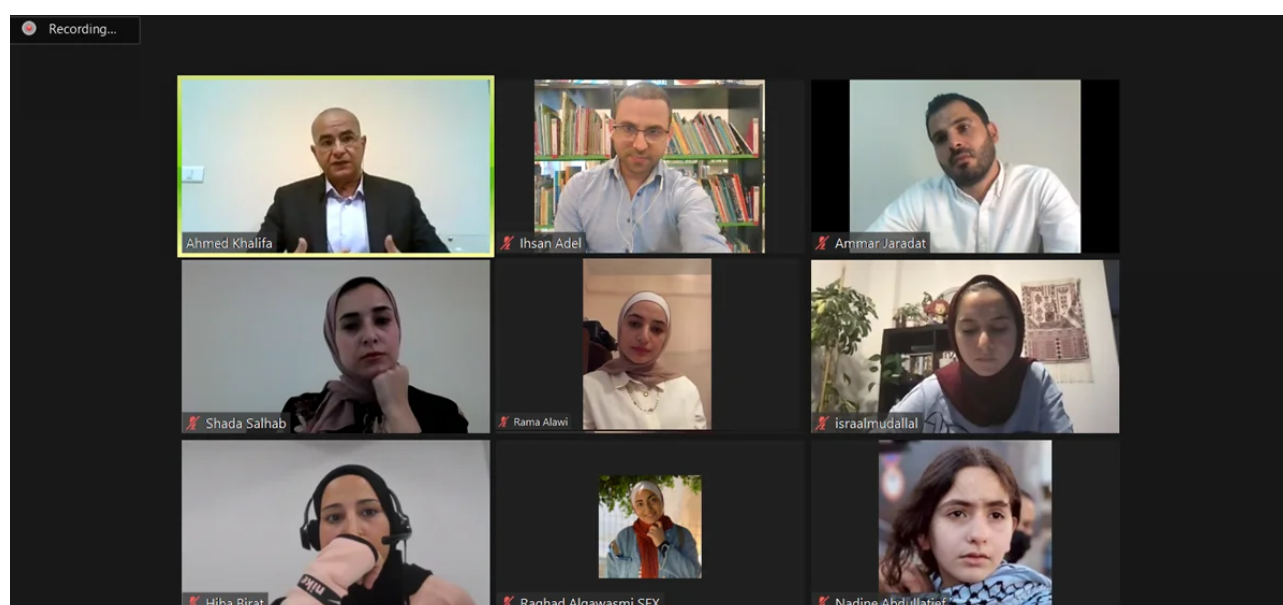
These initiatives expand the movement's capacity for research, advocacy, and legal action while cultivating networks that cross disciplines, regions, and professional sectors.

Jurists for Palestine Forum

Through the [Jurists for Palestine Forum](#), L4P's discourse-oriented program now connecting 1,300+ members worldwide, the organisation hosted ten digital or hybrid webinars over the past year. These sessions brought together leading experts, practitioners, and campaigners to engage with current developments, international litigation strategies, and emerging legal opportunities for Palestine.

Topics discussed ranged from international [litigation](#) and [policy](#) mechanisms, to the [Law of the Sea](#), State and corporate [accountability](#), and reflections on the work of [international institutions](#). One of the events held at [New York University](#), brought together participants from across the globe. Each session attracted hundreds of live participants and up to 1,500 recorded viewers, creating dynamic platforms for knowledge transfer, policy exchange and movement-strategy alignment.

The Jurists for Palestine Forum, empowers legal professionals, amplifies civil society voices and strengthens the global legal infrastructure supporting Palestine, ensuring that justice is pursued collectively, strategically and with sustained impact.



Our Network and Partners

Law for Palestine is driven by a core, dedicated team with guidance from our esteemed Board of Trustees and the support of over 100 volunteers from around the globe. The efficacy of L4P's research, data collection, legal analysis, training programmes, and strategic support is made possible through collaborations with our network of over 1,300 legal practitioners and 40 collaborating organisations, civil society organisations, universities and media groups, both within Palestine and across six continents.

Funding

In the past year, we have seen millions of people rise in solidarity with the people of Palestine. As the movement has gained strength, so have efforts to repress Palestinian civil society and their supporters. Repression comes in many forms: arrests of peaceful protesters, the weaponisation of law to restrict or overburden organisations, and the amplification of narratives that smear or discredit human rights defenders, leading to restricted funding for the movement. Even humanitarian organisations delivering life-saving aid have been stripped of crucial funding. We are witnessing a coordinated effort across the world to suppress civil society and silence those who dare to demand accountability and justice for the Palestinian people.

As an organisation that exists to resist this erosion of Palestinian rights and uphold and strengthen international law, we too have been affected by these repressive strategies. The shrinking of funding spaces for organisations like ours has meant that Law for Palestine is sustained by limited project-based funding from our core partners, grassroots support from crowd funding campaigns, and the dedicated time and energy of more than 100 volunteers from around the world. This combination has allowed us to achieve much more than our financial resources would suggest.

Law for Palestine is deeply grateful to our financial supporters, the institutions, corporate partners, and everyday people, who contribute to the vital work we do. We are also thankful to our dedicated team of volunteers who make Law for Palestine's work possible.

We are proud of what we have built with limited means: legal resources for the movement and policy makers, the capacity to conduct impactful legal engagement, and a growing network of legal practitioners, academics, human rights defenders and expert volunteers who call themselves members of Law for Palestine. Meeting today's challenges, and preparing for those that lie ahead, requires stable resources, dedicated staff, and the capacity to act swiftly and strategically. The struggle for justice cannot rely only on goodwill and overextended volunteers, it needs a solid, stable, and sustainable foundation to match the urgency of the moment.



Systems of domination have been dismantled before. They were dismantled by people acting collectively.

Over the past year, we have witnessed unprecedented support for the people of Palestine through the growth of a global movement. Law for Palestine stands within this movement, reclaiming law as a tool for justice, accountability and liberation. This is not a fight for Palestinians or lawyers alone, but for everyone who believes humanity can be reshaped toward equality and dignity. Whoever you are, whatever skills or resources you bring, you can help build a movement powerful enough to transform the course of history.

Join the Movement.

Fund the work

Make a donation. No amount is too small. Connect us with institutional grants and donors who share our vision for the future.

Partner with us

We collaborate with civil society organisations, universities, and legal practitioners on litigation, training and research projects.

Volunteer your skills

Join our network of 100+ volunteers working worldwide across legal research, strategic litigation, training, translation, communication, and fundraising.

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