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Muwatatn Institute for Democracy and Human Rights

Muwatin's 26th Annual Conference When Will the Smile Return to Our World?

Held in the virtual space and live streamed via Muwatin's Channel on YouTube
25-27 September 2020

Programme

First Day - Friday, 25 September 2020

17:00 Opening Remarks

Address by the President of Birzeit University

Address by the Director of Muwatin Institute for Democracy and Human Rights

Keynote Address by Vijay Prashad: An Agenda for the Global South after COVID-19

18:00 Session I: Manifestations of the Crisis in the Arab World Chair: Mudar Kassis

National Sovereignty for Arab Countries: A Utopia? Héla Youssi

The Unconventional Imperialism Requires an Unconventional Left Dalal El-Bizri

Second Day - Saturday, 26 September 2020

11:00 Keynote Address by Rajesh Tandon

Reimagining Futures Where All Lives Matter: Participatory Democracy in Post-pandemic Era

11:45 Session II: The Future of Capitalism Chair: Lisa Taraki

The Crisis of Capitalism under the New World Disorder Mustapha Kamel Al-Sayyed

Populism and Hannah Arendt Raef Zreik

13:00 Break

17:00 Session III: The Depth of the Crisis Chair: Rana Barakat

The Repositioning of Political Corruption in the Current Global System Basem Ezbidi

Is International Solidarity Possible across the Redeemable-irredeemable Divide? Reem Bahdi

Third Day - Sunday, 27 September 2020

11:00 Session IV: Current Reality and Requirements for Change Chair: Bettina Marx

Violence, Capitalism, and the Spectre of Fascism Sami Khatib

Civil Resistance and Nonviolence Haytham Manna

Gulf Capitalism and the Changing Global Political Economy Adam Hanieh

13:00 Break

17:00 Session V: Features of a Future Chair: Jamil Salem

But When Was Our World Smiling? Gilbert Achkar

The Arab World after the Pandemic George Giacaman

18:15 Keynote Address by Samuel Moyn

The Fall of Welfare and the Rise of Human Rights

19:00 Conference Conclusion

Conference held in cooperation with the Heinrich Böll Stiftung Palestine & Jordan