

Palestinians have been living under Israeli occupation for over four decades. This fundamental political fact imposes a stark asymmetry on life in both societies – permitting violence to some, imposing oppression on others. Thereby the occupation also impacts on the conditions under which posttraumatic disorders manifest themselves and mental health professionals conduct their work in Israel and Palestine.

What is the effect of this and other political factors on therapeutic practices and theories related to trauma on both sides of the conflict? How can Palestinian and Israeli researchers and practitioners address each other, exchanging clinical experiences and theoretical insights, while remaining fully cognizant of the political conflict that sets them apart?

Questions such as these will be discussed in this workshop, in which Palestinian and Israeli scholars and practitioners will present some of their recent work and, together with Swiss and German therapists and researchers, reflect upon the relevance of political factors for traumatic disorders, trauma research and therapy, as well as the workshop itself.

Trauma in Israel- Palestine

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Friday, 28 October

Clausiusstrasse 59
ETH RZ building, room F 21

Greetings

9:30 – 10:00

Michael Hagner, Zürich
José Brunner, Tel Aviv/Zürich

Panel 1

10:00 – 13:00

Ahmed Abu-Tawahina, Gaza
Comorbidity of PTSD, ADHD,
Conduct in Palestinian Children
Affected by War on Gaza

Zahava Solomon, Tel Aviv
If Politics Creates Trauma – Is Politics
Always Implicated in Trauma?

11:30 – 12:00
Coffee Break

12:00 – 13:00
Maggie Schauer, Konstanz
Response and Discussion

Panel 2

15:00 – 18:00
Sonneggstrasse 3
ETH ML building, room F 38

Zvi Fajerman, Sha'ar Hanagev
Three Clinical Perspectives of an
Interminable Conflict

Roney Srour, Haifa
A Different Way to Observe the Pale-
stinian Trauma – Multi-Traumatic En-
vironment Instead of Traumatic Event

16:30 – 17:00
Coffee Break

17:00 – 18:00
Maja Hess, Zürich
Response and Discussion

Evening Event

19:30 – 21:00
Clausiusstrasse 59
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Tal Ben Zvi, Tel Aviv
Sight and Silence – Visual Representa-
tions of Trauma in the Israel-Palestine
Conflict (VideoArt)

Saturday, 29 October

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Panel 3

10:00 – 13:00

Galia Plotkin, Tel Aviv
National Conflict, Resilient Self
and Emotional Performance

Murad Amro, Ramallah
The Gap between the Palestinian
Clinical Practice and Mental Health
Research

11:30-12:00
Coffee Break

12:00 -13:00
Daniel Strassberg, Zürich
Response and Discussion

Panel 4

15:00 – 18:30
Clausiusstrasse 59
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Najla Asmar, Haifa
Addressing Identity and Cultural
Factors in the Treatment of Arabs in
Israel after the Second Lebanon War

José Brunner/Arnona Zahavi, Tel Aviv
Moving Beyond the Victim-Perpetrator
Dichotomy – From Managing Suffering
to Recognizing Aggression

16:30 – 17:00
Coffee Break

17:00 – 18:30
Maja Wicki, Zürich
Response and Concluding Discussion

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