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A Palestinian scholar, born in Nablus. Activist in the defending of human rights and democracy. Has three books and participated in other books. Has many articles and studies. Participated in many international and local conferences. Works as Assistant professor at the Al-Istiqlal University. Worked as a researcher at the Center for Research and Strategic Studies. Worked as a parliamentary scholar in the Palestinian Legislative Council. Worked as a researcher fellow at (Muatin) the Palestinian Institute for the Study of Democracy, and as a part-time lecturer at BirZeit University.

### **EDUCATION**

- 2012** Ph.D in political systems, Cairo University, Egypt, with honours.
- 2007** MA in Democracy & Human Rights, Birzeit University, Palestine. First class, with honours.
- 1999** B.A. in Media & Communication, An-Najah University, Palestine. First class with honours
- 1995** High School Diploma, Hewara High School, Palestine. First class with honours.

### **SCHOLARSHIPS & AWARDED**

- 2010** Scholarship for research of Muwatin, The Palestinian Institute for the Study of Democracy.
- 2010** Scholarship for Ph.D of Palestinian Embassy at Cairo.
- 2004** Award of “International Fellowship Programme” IFP to continue postgraduate education sponsored by Ford Foundation.
- 1999** Award of "Outstanding" in Journalism Department at An-Najah University. Dean's Honours List (six times), Department of Journalism, Faculty of Economics at An-Najah National University.
- 1998** A ward of "Al-Tamimi Corporation for Outstanding".

1995 A ward of "The Ten Top in High School" at Nablus.

## **BOOKS**

Abu Zaher, Nadia (2022) ‘Corporate Social Responsibility: Deconstructing a Conceptual Muddle’. In Abdalmuttaleb M. A. Musleh Al-Sartawi (ed.) **Artificial Intelligence for Sustainable Finance and Sustainable Technology: Proceedings of ICGER 2021**. Switzerland: Springer International Publishing. 304-312. DOI: 10.1007/978-3-030-93464-4\_31. ISSN: 2367-3370. Softcover ISBN: 978-3-030-93463-7

Abu Zaher, Nadia (2020) “The Impact of Intifada on the types of Social Capital” in Roger Hickok and Alaa Jaradat (eds.) **The Intifada of 1987: The Transformation of the Palestinian People**. Beirut: The Institute for Palestine Studies, 305-321. ISBN 9786144480809

Abu Zaher, Nadia (2017) “The Role of Non-Governmental Organizations that work in the West Bank in affecting the Palestinian Authority when it went to the United Nations”. In Aziz Kayed (ed.) **The Role of Non-Governmental Organizations in Shaping Political Orientations**. Istanbul: Vision Center for Political Development. 106-139. ISBN 9786056666490

Abu Zaher, Nadia (2017) **Resilience to the Last Sip: The Future of Water Needs for Palestinians and Settlers in the West Bank**. Istanbul: Vision Center for Political Development. ISBN9786056666476

Abu Zaher, Nadia (2017) “The Need to Rebuild and Reshape Palestinian Civil Society” in Union for Antiracism and Peace Policy (ed.) **Reclaiming Palestine: Empowering the Marginalized the Social and Economical Reconstruction of Palestinian Society under Foreign Occupation**. Norderstedt: Dar Al Janub, Union For Antiracism and Peace Policy, (Published in English language), 45-54. ISBN: 978-7431-7978-3

Abu Zaher, Nadia et al. (2016) **Palestinian Civil Society Index**. Ramallah: Coordination Council for Palestinian NGOs.

Abu Zaher, Nadia et al. (2016) **Palestinian Civil Society Index** Ramallah: Coordination Council for Palestinian NGOs. (Published in English language)

Abu Zaher, Nadia (2015) “The Role of Civil Society in Changing Security Policies”. In Ahmed Azm et al., **The Palestine Question and the Future of the Palestinian National Project: Part One on Identity, Resistance**

**and International Law.** Beirut: Arab Center for Research and Policy Studies. 293-316. ISBN 978-614-445-050-5

Abu Zaher, Nadia (2014) **A Guide to bring diverse Perspectives to the table.** Nablus: The Social Contract Center.

Abu Zaher, Nadia (2013) **The Role of the Palestinians Elite in Forming Social Capital.** Qatar: Arab Center for Research & Policy Studies. ISBN 9789953027616

Abu Zaher, Nadia. (2007) **"Civil Society" Between the Descriptive and the Normative: Deconstructing a Conceptual Muddle.** Ramallah: Muwatin (The Palestinian Institute for the Study of Democracy). ISBN9789950312388

### **PUBLISHED RESEARCHES IN REFEREED JOURNALS**

Abu Zaher, Nadia & Sameh Al-Qubaj (2022) ‘Changing Power Relations in Palestinian Civil Society under the Israel Occupation’. **Journal of Hunan University Natural Sciences.** 49(8): 1128-1142.

Abu Zaher, Nadia (2022) The Implications of Dissolving the Palestinian Authority Option on the Palestinian National Project Based on the Two-state Solution. **Baltic Journal of Law & Politics.** 15(3): 1035-1051. DOI: 10.2478/bjlp-2022-002074.

Abu Zaher, Nadia (2022) Analysis of Indicators to Measure Palestinian Civil Society According to the Civicus Approach. **NeuroQuantology.** 20 (7):3194-3206. DOI: 10.14704/nq.2022.20.7.NQ33400

Abu Zaher, Nadia (2022) ‘Palestinian’s popular rampage and Israeli security’. **Journal of Positive Psychology and Wellbeing.** 6 (2): 1062-1077.

El Zein, Enas, Abu Zaher, Nadia (2022) The Role Of School Administration For Raising Political Awareness Among Primary Public School Students In Palestine. **Journal of Positive School Psychology.** 6 (6): 4065-407.

Abu Zaher, Nadia (January 20, 2019) “Deconstructing a Conceptual Muddle of “corporate citizenship”. **Journal of AL-RIYADA For Business Economics.** Hassiba. <https://www.asjp.cerist.dz/en/article/76509>

Abu Zaher, Nadia (Jan 2018) “Projected Individual Water Needs of Israeli Settlers in 2025: The Impact on Water Security of the Palestinians.” **The Journal of King Abdulaziz University-Environmental Design.** 12 (1): 33-62, DOI: 10.4197 / Env.12-2

Abu Zaher, Nadia (2017) "Projected Individual Water Needs of Israeli Settlers in 2025: The Impact on Water Security of the Palestinians." **Al-Istiqlal University Journal for Research**. 2 (2): 79-108. DOI: 10.36554/1796-002-002-003.

Abu Zaher, Nadia (2013) "Variables of the Palestinian Political System. **Journal of Middle East Affairs**. 146: 145-166. DOI: 10.12816/0003487.

Abu Zaher, Nadia. (September 2011) "Civil Society Thesis between Descriptive and Normative." **Strategic Studies Journal**. (16): 165-172.

Abu Zaher, Nadia (2011) "Pluralism in India: How did the Indian federalism manage it?". **Al-Hikma Journal**, (7), 3<sup>rd</sup> year, 257-275. <https://platform.almanhal.com/Reader/Article/13437>

Abu Zaher, Nadia (2010), "An attempt to understand the Conceptual Muddle of Social Capital". **Journal of Human Sciences**, No. (46), 1-31. 8<sup>th</sup> year.

## **CONFERENCES**

Abu Zaher, Nadia, (8-12/12/2014) "The Need to Rebuild and Reshape Palestinian Civil Society". A research presented at the conference **Palestine: Empowering the Marginalized the Social and Economical Reconstruction of Palestinian Society under Foreign Occupation**. Dar Al Janub, Union for Antiracism and Peace Policy. Vienna, Austria.

Abu Zaher, Nadia (6-7/9/2013) "The Positive Relationship between the Decline of Social Capital and Democracy in Palestine and Egypt". A research presented at the (Nineteenth Annual Conference). **Fragmentation Faces Revolution in Palestine and the Arab World**. The Palestinian Institute for the Study of Democracy (Muwatin). Ramallah. West Bank.

Abu Zaher, Nadia, Husam Al-Dajni (26/11/2013) "The Israeli Policy Towards the Expulsion of the Palestinians: The Exiles of the Church of the Nativity as a Case Study". A Research presented at the conference: **Deportation from Mass Purification Policy to Individual Displacement: Towards Strengthening the Resistance of Deportation**. Nablus: An-Najah National University. URI <https://hdl.handle.net/20.500.11888/10025>

Abu Zaher, Nadia (11-12 / 4/2012) "An Analytical Approach to Understanding the Conceptual Muddle of Social Capital". A represented at the Fourth Annual Arab Conference: **Knowledge Management and Intellectual Capital Management in Higher Education Institutions in Egypt and the Arab World**, Mansoura University.

## **RESEARC PROJECTS:**

Abu Zaher, Nadia (2018) “Palestinian Civil Society: Its Reality and Transformations.” Research Participated in the Arab research project: **"Palestine in the Mirrors of Culture and Creativity"**, research participation value (3000\$), Arab Thought Foundation, Beirut, Lebanon.

## **RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP**

(2010-2013) A research fellowship of \$14,000 presented from: The Palestinian Institute for the Study of Democracy (Muwatin). Ramallah. West Bank.

## **WORKSHOPS, SEMINARS AND ROUND TABLES**

Abu Zaher, et al. (25/12/2021) participating in “Book Discussion of: Palestinian Student Movement in the West Bank and Gaza Strip”. Organized by Vision Center for Political Development, Istanbul, Turkey.

Abu Zaher, Nadia et al. (29/5/2021) Round Table: **“Means of Political Investment in the Recent Confrontation against the Israeli Occupation.”** Organized by Vision Center for Political Development, Istanbul, Turkey.

Abu Zaher, Nadia et al. (16/4/2021), Round Table: **“An Explanation of the scene of the Candidate Electoral lists for the Legislative Council elections for the year 2021”**, Organized by Vision Center for Political Development, Istanbul, Turkey.

Abu Zaher, Nadia et al. (13/3/2021) Round Table: **"Opportunities to Rebuild the Palestine Liberation Organization"**, Organized by Vision Center for Political Development, Istanbul, Turkey.

Abu Zaher, Nadia et al. (13/2/2021), Round Table: **"Opportunities to Strengthen the Political Participation of Palestinian Women"**. Organized by Vision Center for Political Development, Istanbul, Turkey.

Abu Zaher, Nadia et al. (6-7/2/2019) **"The Regional Perspective of the Palestinian Issue"**. Workshop organized by Pal-Think for Strategic Studies, Oxford Research Group, and Palestine Group for Strategic Thinking. Amman, Jordan.

Abu Zaher, Nadia (17/10/2018) “The Unified Bi-National State: The new US Proposal for Confederation with Jordan”. Paper presented at round table **“Confederation: Opportunities and Challenges”**. Organized by

the Palestine Institute for National Security Research, Ramallah, West Bank

Abu Zaher, Nadia et al., (10-11/11/2017) Round Table: “**Developing and Activating the Palestinian Political System: Determinants, Opportunities and Challenges**”. Organized by Vision Center for Political Development, Istanbul, Turkey.

Abu Zaher, Nadia (24/12/2016) "One Hundred Years after Balfour Declaration, a Contemporary Analytical Explanation". A paper presented in a symposium: “**The 100th Anniversary of the Balfour Declaration**”. Organized by Jaffa Cultural Center. Balata Camp. West Bank.

Abu Zaher, Nadia, Adnana Abu Amer (2012) The Future of the Palestinian Political System in the Light of the Rise of Islamist: Hamas as a Model, Paper presented at a workshop: **Arab Spring and the Palestinian Case: Citizenship. Social Justice & Political Islam**. Organized by Pal Think. Gaza.

#### **PARTICIPATION IN TV CULTURAL PROGRAMS**

Abu Zaher, Nadia (2021) Participation in the documentary film: "Gramsci: Prison Notes" for the program ‘Out of the Script’ "*Kharej al-Nass*", which is broadcast at Al Jazeera TV.

#### **STUDIES REVIWE IN REFERED JORNAL (SCOPAS):**

Review study entitled: Palestinian Local Government: Issues of Legal and Institutional Farmeworks, ‘Public Administration Issues’. refereed journal, Reviewed at 6 August 2021.

Review study entitled: “The Impact of the Israeli Occupation on Policy Making of Water Service at West Bank”, “Area Development and Policy”, a refereed journal, Study Review No. RARD-2021-0035. Reviewed at 23 July 2021.

#### **MEMBERSHIP OF SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEES**

Member of the Scientific Committee of the Conference: “Pens chronicling for our future: On the occasion of the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the founding of the Women’s Union Society”, held on (20/11/2021), An-Najah University, Nablus, Palestine.

Member of the Committee for Drafting Recommendations for the Virtual National Forum: “Entrepreneurship as a key Mechanism for Diversifying

Algerian National Economic Products (Challenges and Prospects)", held on June 14, 2020, Mohamed Boudiaf University, El-Meslly, Algeria.

Member of the Scientific Committee of the Second International Forum: "Requirements for achieving economic developments in the oil countries in light of the collapse of fuel prices", held on (29-30/12/2018), University of Akli Mohand Oulhadj, Bouira, Algeria.

Member of the Scientific Committee of the Conference: "Drugs Scourge in Palestine: Reality and Ways of Confrontation" held on (24/12/2018), Al-Istiqlal University, Jericho, Palestine.

Member of the Scientific Committee of the Conference: "Identity, Present and Future", held on 16/1/2016, Al-Istiqlal University, Jericho, Palestine.

### **MEMBER OF ADVISORY STAFF:**

(2017-now) Member of advisory staff of the refereed '*Al-utroha*' Journal issued by *Dar Al-utroha*' for Scientific Publishing [www.alutroha.com](http://www.alutroha.com), Baghdad, Iraq.

(16/3/2017-now) Member of an advisory board at the Vision Center for Political Development in Istanbul, Turkey.

### **STUDIES AT WEB SITES**

Abu Zaher, Nadia (18/6/2010) The Impact of Globalization on Civil Society, Modern Discussion, <https://www.ahewar.org/debat/show.art.asp?aid=219533> . No, 3038.

Abu Zaher, Nadia (13/5/2010) "Political and social alienation among the population of the Palestinian refugee camps", Modern Discussion, <https://www.ahewar.org/debat/show.art.asp?aid=%20215181> . No. 3003.

Abu Zaher, Nadia (10/12/2009) "The Right to Change Religion between Islam and International and Regional Human Rights' Conventions", Modern Discussion, <https://www.ahewar.org/debat/show.art.asp?aid=194684> . No, 2854.

Abu Zaher, Nadia (5/3/2009) "The Impact of Globalization on Civil Society" Modern Discussion, <https://www.ahewar.org/debat/show.art.asp?aid=164730> . No. 2576.

Abu Zaher, Nadia (16/1/2008) "Arab intellectual's Vision to the Authority: Saadallah Wannous In His Play "The King is King" As a Case Study.

Center for Secular Studies and Research in the Arab World.  
<https://www.ssrcaw.org/ar/print.art.asp?aid=121756&ac=2>.

Abu Zaher, Nadia (April 2008) "Social Capital and the Debate about its Relationship with Civil Society." Oudnad Journal, London, <https://www.oudnad.net/spip.php?article2593>. No.23. ISSN 1756-4212

Abu Zaher, Nadia (September 2009) Democracy and Religion: Christian Democratic Parties in Europe as a Model, Oud Al-Nad Journal, London, <https://www.oudnad.net/spip.php?article3006> . No. 39. ISSN 1756-4212

Abu Zaher, Nadia. (10/11/2007). "Book's Review: "Culture of Globalization or Globalization of Culture?. Modern Discussion. No. 2095. <https://www.ahewar.org/debat/show.art.asp?aid=114902>

Abu Zaher, Nadia. (8/11/2007). "Review of Dankwart Rustow's article: Transitions to Democracy: Toward a Dynamic Model", Modern Discussion, <https://www.ahewar.org/debat/show.art.asp?aid=114705> . No. 2093.

Abu Zaher, Nadia. (29/8/2008). "Intellectuals and Authority: Arab intellectuals Genealogy." Modern Discussion, <https://www.ahewar.org/debat/show.art.asp?aid=145496> . No.2388.

Abu Zaher, Nadia, Lubna Al Ashqar (26/4/2005) The Impact of Wall on The Right of Self-Determination for the Palestinian People. Arabs 48. <https://cutt.us/fBO6f>.

### **OWNS SHARES AT A RESEARCH INSTITUTION**

(2013-Present) Owns 4 shares at research institution Pal-Think. And a member of its board of directors.

### **ACTIVITIES AND MEMBERS:**

(20/3/2018-Present) Member of the International Organization for Human Rights and International Law.

(27/7/2015-31/12/2016) Member of the Regional Board of Directors of the Palestinian Society for Human Rights (Rased).

(18/12/2006-30/12/2012) General Coordinator of the Palestinian Society for Human Rights (Minitor) in Nablus.

(1/7-30/12/2012) Member of International Union of Electronic Media (UNIME).

(20/1/2007-30/12/2011) Member of the committee of International Complaints (CIC).

(14/12/2006-30/12/2008) Member of Palestinians without Borders Society.

(1999-2002) Member of the Palestinian Journalists Syndicate.

(1/4/1998-1/7/2000): Volunteer at Yafa (Jafa) Cultural Center (which is concerned with cultural activities of the Palestinian refugees).

**CULTURAL ACTIVITIES:**

Former editor at Haifa Lana Web site.

Former editor Editor at the *Muntada Al-khereejeen Al-Thaqafee* Magazine (The Alumni Cultural Club Magazine), Nablus.

Former member of the Media Committee of the Palestinian Writers Association.

Former Member of the Arab Writer Net.

Former Member of Palestinian Writers and Authors League.

Former Member of Arabic Book Association.