



POLICY LAB

# Palestinian Civil Society: Between International Pressure and Authoritarian Rule

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Palestinian civil society faces a multitude of pressures from various actors, including international donors, the Palestinian Authority, as well as the Israeli occupation.

What is the historical context of civil society in terms of their relationship with international donors and the Palestinian Authority? How have they responded to the increasing conditions imposed on international aid, while conducting their work in the context of colonialism, fragmentation, and authoritarian rule? What resilience strategies do they apply to break the status quo and advance themselves?

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