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# Shifting the Narrative on Palestine in 2022 and Beyond

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From the COVID-19 pandemic to the Black Lives Matter movement, events that have unfolded on the global stage have impacted our realities over the past two years. Today, the Palestinian struggle exists in a world of greater connectivity, one where movements for justice are transcending state structures and institutions, recognizing the pervasiveness and interconnectedness of systems of oppression, and seeking expansive forms of solidarity and allyship.

As Al-Shabaka enters its twelfth year, we consider the importance of understanding and presenting Palestine in light of these shifts, and the transnational, regional, and local developments shaping our world order. This is of particular relevance after the 2021 Unity Intifada, which had major local implications, and which shifted the global conversation on Palestine in important ways. As a policy-orientated think tank, how can our analysis incorporate and contribute to these shifts, whether on the streets or in the halls of power? And in highlighting the interconnectedness of oppressed communities worldwide, how can we simultaneously center the voices of Palestinians?

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