



POLICY LAB

The Case for Academic Boycotts of Israel

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The accelerating adoption of academic boycotts of Israel is just one manifestation of growing support for Palestinians and intensifying efforts to hold Israel accountable for colonization, occupation, and apartheid. However, academic boycotts remain one of the most controversial pillars of the wider boycott, divestment, and sanctions movement. According to a recent study, while 91% of Middle East scholars support at least some boycott of Israel, more than a third are hesitant to get behind a boycott of Israel's academic institutions.

In this policy lab, Sami Hermez and Dina Omar join host Tariq Kenney-Shawa to discuss the ethics of academic boycotts and explore the critical role they play in wider efforts to hold Israel accountable.

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