



# The Palestinian Elections: Real Change or Reality Check?

By: Nadim Bawalsa, Diana Buttu, Munir Nuseibah · March, 2021

Palestinians in the West Bank and Gaza are bracing for the first general elections to take place in 15 years, while the Palestinian Authority seeks to renew its legitimacy amid shifting regional and global realities.

Who are the leaders and political bodies Palestinians will be voting for? How are these elections affected by regional and global stakeholders? Given Israel's ongoing military occupation and the deepening fragmentation of Palestinian civil society, can these elections bring about significant change?

In this policy lab, Al-Shabaka policy analysts Diana Buttu and Munir Nuseibah join host Nadim Bawalsa to discuss these questions and more.

Al-Shabaka: The Palestinian Policy Network, is an independent, non-profit organization. Al-Shabaka convenes a multidisciplinary, global network of Palestinian analysts to produce critical policy analysis and collectively imagine a new policymaking paradigm for Palestine and Palestinians worldwide.

Al-Shabaka materials may be circulated with due attribution to Al-Shabaka: The Palestinian Policy Network.



# Al-Shabaka

The Palestinian Policy Network

---

The opinion of individual members of Al-Shabaka's policy network do not necessarily reflect the views of the organization as a whole.