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NEW SCHOLARSHIP ON ARAB-PALESTINIANS IN ISRAEL

The Panel will focus on new scholarship on Arab-Palestinian citizens of Israel (within the Green-Line) at Israel's Seventieth. Those Palestinians found themselves as part of the State of Israel after the new armistice lines were drawn at the end of the 1948 War. Nowadays, they amount to about 1.8 million citizens and make up 20% of Israel's population. In the panel, we seek to discuss themes related to, and challenges faced by, this ethnic minority within Israel. Panelists will present papers that include topics related to demography, law, economy, politics, identity, and memory. Particular attention will be given to the government's policies towards its Arab citizens regarding their economic situation, the dispute over the land rights of the Bedouins in the Negev, and constitutional questions of equality taken up by the Supreme Court. Presentations will stem from different disciplinary approaches, such as anthropology, law, and political science, thus providing a comprehensive point of view on the topic.

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Thair Abu-Rass Ph.D. Candidate, Department of Government, University of Maryland. Mr. Abu-Rass will present: "Arab Citizens in Contemporary Israeli Demography."

Safa Abu-Rabia 2017-2018 Israel Institute Postdoctoral Fellow, Department of Anthropology, Harvard University. Dr. Abu-Rabia will present: "Out of Time": Spatial Temporality among Bedouin as the Struggle for Land in the South of Palestine/Israel."

Morad Elsana Israel Institute Teaching Fellow, California Western School of Law. Prof. Elsana will present: "The Dispossession of Indigenous Land: The Bedouin Land Case in the Negev."

Rifat Azam 2017-2018 Israel Institute Visiting Professor, Washington University of St. Louis. Prof. Azam will present: "The Israeli Supreme Court and Palestinian Citizens of Israel."

Rami Zeedan 2017-2018 Israel Institute Visiting Professor, University of California, Berkeley; The Open University of Israel. Prof. Zeedan will moderate the panel.

RECEPTION3:30 pm | Goldberg Room, 297 Boalt Hall, UC BerkeleyPANEL4:00 pm | Goldberg Room, 297 Boalt Hall, UC BerkeleyRSVPPlease RSVP to berkeley_institute@law.berkeley.edu

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