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**REFORM Announcement
Call for Researchers**

Conduct a research study on: "Lack of spaces in Palestinian Refugee Camps and its impact on the development process."

General Background: spaces are defined as the places where youth can have an interactive platform through which; they can connect safely with their internal and external environment. These spaces include civil society institutions, coffee shops and public squares to conduct empowerment and awareness-raising programs such as educational and recreational activities.

The research focuses on examining the responsiveness of the available spaces in Palestinian refugee camps towards the basic needs of youth; their effectiveness in empowering them as well as engaging them in the development process. The research also sheds light on the fact that limited and narrow spaces in refugee camps constitute an obstacle that hinders the development of youth.

The human development process is considered one of the most important factors for promoting societies, due to the significant role it plays in providing knowledge, skills, behaviors, capacity building and expertise, and improving the living conditions for marginalized groups within refugee camps.

The Palestinian society, especially refugee camps, is under severe pressure due to many factors, such as high unemployment and poverty rates. In fact, the rate of poverty in refugee camps was 31% in 2011, and the unemployment rate in the refugee camps reached 26.1% in the same year. For example, Balata refugee camp scored the highest rates among all Palestinian refugee camps to reach 54% in 2011.

Objective of the study: To examine the impact of limited spaces in Palestinian Refugee Camps on the development process

Hypothesis:

- The available spaces and areas for youth in Palestinian refugee camps are limited and irresponsible towards the needs for achieving societal development.
- The lacks of spaces in Palestinian refugee camps constitute a direct struggle that hinders the achievement of development in these areas.

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| General objective | To examine how Lack of spaces in Palestinian Refugee Camps affect the development process |
| Specific objective | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Evaluating the suitability of available spaces and areas in the Palestinian camps with the development process. • Give recommendations to contribute in providing alternatives of safe places and areas for youth. |
| Output | • Descriptive study based on an in-depth analytical methodology. |
| Timeframe | • After 1993. |
| Place Limits | • Palestinian Refugee Camps in Gaza and the west bank. |
| Terms of Reference | • The research should take into consideration the scientific assets of writing a scientific research; Abstract of the research (500 words) includes: introduction, previous studies, research study problem, and reasons for conducting this |



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| | <p>research study, significance of the research study, objective of the research study, hypotheses of the research study, questions of the research study, research study methodology, and research framework.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The study should not have been published in the past or will be published. And not to be awarded a degree.• The study should be authentic and theoretical - applied.• Submit research in Arabic and submit a summary of the study in English.• Two or more researchers may participate in the study.• A simplified (14) line is used with no spaces between the lines.• The material is printed on A4 paper and sent by e-mail. Language and spelling review.• The search should not be less than 20 pages.• Margins are written with serial numbers and placed at the end of the page. The method of documentation in margins and references (page numbering should be removed from the references) |
| Timeline | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Within three months, and two weeks for revision. |
| The final report should contain | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Introduction to the study.• Executive summary of the research study in Arabic and English.• Methodology of the research study.• Limitations of the research study.• Theoretical Framework (Review of Study Literature)• The practical framework of the research study (to identify the most important obstacles and gaps)• Results• Conclusion and Recommendations |
| Required skills | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Specialization in any field of humanitarian or social sciences.• Have the skills of preparing studies and research.• Ability to write clearly and sequentially.• Experience in using different scientific methodologies.• Familiarity with the Palestinian context, specifically, Palestinian refugee camps.• Familiarity with the main factors that affect the topic of the research study, specifically the parties, the state, the relevant international institutions, and politicians |
| The research award | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• REFORM shall publish the research after it is being approved by the research scientific committee and after the amendments thereto by the researcher in the name of the institution and the researcher.• After the research is approved by the institution, the research becomes its property, and the corporation has the freedom to use it or publish it without the rights and / or obligations of the researcher. The researcher may not publish the study with any other party. |
| How to submit | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Offer should be delivered by e-mail: info@reform.ps• For inquiries, please contact Mr. Nadim Qandil, Project Officer, 022966645 or 0592333030.• Write the research title on the subject of the e-mail. |



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