Palestine & The UN Resolution 2250

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The reality of youth in Palestine

- %30of the Palestinian population are youngsters
- 716,000 male and 688,000 females in the West Bank, 257,000 Males 267, 000 females in the Gaza Strip.
- 49.9% of Palestinian youth are unemployed.
- 1.4% of Palestinian youth are belonged and active in political parties

The Challenges:

- Occupation
- Customs and traditions
- Political division
- Poverty, Unemployment:
- Absence of Democracy
- Poor political participation
- Immigration
- Poor government interest in youth
- dangerous social behaviors such as drugs, harassment and crimes

Obstacles prevent the participation of the Palestinian Youth in Decision Making

• Economic obstacles:

high rate of unemployment and poverty, this has affected the participation of young people in decision-making because all their concern is Securing a good living for there families so there infests of public life become less and limits his creativity and energies of Participate in developing plans and strategies for development.

Social obstacles:

The traditional culture of the patriarchal system which still believe that older people are better to make decisions than young.

The patriarchal system which enhance the discrimination biased on Gender and this is a major challenge faced by women and prevent their Participation in the social and political activities.

>The educational system

Political obstacles:

The Israeli occupation is one of the biggest obstacles facing the Palestinian youth.

The weakness of the Palestinian political system and the division between the political parties

The absence of democracy.

Lack of government attention focused on empowering and training young people to develop strategies and plans To promote society.

There are no laws and conventions that ensure the activation of the role of youth at various levels.

Important notes on the implementation of Resolution 2250 in Palestine

This resolution is still a new one.

- The resolution didn't mention the youth under occupation and therefore we need to think more deeply about how to implement and benefit from it in Palestine and this needs discussions at the national level.
- Few organizations work on the resolution and we need more awareness about the importance of it.
- > The State of Palestine hasn't adopted the resolution yet.

