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The European Coordination of Committees and Associations for Palestine (ECCP) is a network of 50 organisations, unions, committees and solidarity groups from 21 European countries dedicated to a struggle of Palestinian people for freedom, justice and equality.

OBJECTIVES

ECCP supports a 'rights-based approach' (focusing on the fundamental rights of the Palestinian people as opposed to a 'solution-based approach'):

- ≡ The right to self-determination, as enshrined in International Law and relevant UN resolutions
- ≡ An end to the 1967 occupation
- ≡ The right of Arab-Palestinian citizens of Israel to full equality
- ≡ The right of Palestinian refugees to return to their homes (UN resolution 194)
- ≡ The unconditional release of all Palestinian prisoners

TOOLS

- 1) Lobby of European governments and EU institutions, calling upon them to uphold the inalienable rights of the Palestinian people and to exclude Israel from any preferential status until it complies with international law.
- 2) Support for:
 - ≡ Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions campaigns (BDS)
 - ≡ The Russell Tribunal on Palestine
 - ≡ The plight of Palestinian prisoners in Israel
 - ≡ Civil Missions to Palestine
 - ≡ The Popular Committees for the Palestinian non-violent struggle
 - ≡ Coordination of actions and campaigns conducted by ECCP members

OUR RECENT CAMPAIGNS:

➤ **No association with Occupation**

The EU-Israel Association Agreement is the main framework for the very close relationship between the EU and Israel. It grants Israel preferential access to European markets, allows Israeli ministries and weapons companies to receive EU funding and provides Israel with the political support it needs to carry out its crimes. By allowing the agreement to remain in place despite Israel's persistent war crimes, the EU is sending a clear message to Israel that its massacres of Palestinians will be tolerated.

➤ **Call for a Ban on Israeli Settlement Products**

In the latest 'EU Heads of Mission Report on Jerusalem 2012', the EU consuls called for sanctions against Israeli settlements. Authored by the EU Heads of Mission in Jerusalem and Ramallah, the report recommends avoiding financial transactions linked to or supporting Israeli settlements and ongoing Israeli construction on occupied Palestinian land. EU functionaries and international institutions must play their role in ending the Israeli occupation of Palestinian land, upholding international law and ensuring respect for Palestinian rights.

➤ **ECCP Endorses the Call for an International Military Embargo of Israel**

ECCP joins the European Network Against Arms Trade in support of the appeal of the Palestinian Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions National Committee (BNC), for an international military embargo of Israel.

➤ **BDS campaigns (including economic, cultural and academic boycott and call for sanctions)**

ECCP MEMBERS

<u>Austria</u>	Society for Austro-Arab Relations (SAAR) Woman in Black Critical Jewish Voice
Belgium	Association Belgo-Palestinienne (ABP) Palestina Solidariteit Génération Palestine intal Union des Progressistes Juifs de Belgique (UPJB) Centre National de Coopération au Développement (CNCD 11.11.11) Vredesactie
Czech Republic	ISM - Czech Republic Initiative for a Just Peace in the Middle East
Denmark	Danish Palestinian Friendship Association
Finland	The Israeli Committee Against House Demolitions Finnish-Arab Friendship Society
France	Association France Palestine Solidarité (AFPS) Campagne Civile Internationale pour la Protection du Peuple Palestinien (CCIPPP) Plateforme des ONG Françaises pour la Palestine Union Juive Française pour la Paix (UJFP)
Germany	Deutscher Koordinationskreis Palästina Israel (KOPI) BDS Berlin
Greece	Greek Committee for International Democratic Solidarity (EEDDA)
Ireland	Ireland Palestine Solidarity Campaign (IPSC)
Italy	Action for Peace Friends of the Palestinian Red Crescent FIOM-CGIL AssoPacePalestina Cultura é Liberta
Luxembourg	Comité pour une Paix Juste au Proche-Orient (CPJPO)
Poland	Kampania Solidarnosci z Palestyna
Netherlands	Netherlands Palestine Committee (NPK) DocP
Norway	Fellesutvalget for Palestina
Scotland	Scottish Palestine Solidarity Campaign (SPSC)
Slovenia	BDS Slovenia
Slovakia	Slovak Initiative for a Just Peace in the Middle East -
Spain	Sodepau ACSUR Grupo de ONGs por Palestina Federación de Asociaciones de Defensa y Promoción de los Derechos Humanos Red Solidaria Contra la Ocupación de Palestina (RESCOP)
Sweden	Palestine Solidarity Association of Sweden (PGS) Judar för Israelisk Palestinsk Fred (JIPF)
Switzerland	Collectif Urgence Palestine (CUP) Badil (European representative) Arab Group Tamkeen
United Kingdom	Palestine Solidarity Campaign (PSC) The Israeli Committee Against House Demolitions (ICAHD UK)

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