



Palestinian families under threat: 10 years ban of family unification in Jerusalem

18th of December 2013

Legacy Hotel, Jerusalem

- 9:00-9:30 Registration
- 9:30-10:00 Welcoming by the Society of St. Yves and Konrad-Adenauer-Foundation
- Key note speech: Israeli policies of silent transfer, family unification as part of a general trend of displacement
- 10:00-12:00 10 years freeze of family unification in East Jerusalem: Legal background, trends and threats
- Moderator: Sami El-Yousef (Regional Director for Palestine and Israel, Pontifical Mission)
 - The family unification law: legal details and procedures (Manal Hazzan Abu Sinni)
 - Presentation of the St. Yves report (Haytham Al-Khateeb, Head of the Legal Department, Society of St. Yves)
 - International Law expert (Valentina Azarov, University of Al Quds)
- 12:00-13:00 Lunch break
- 13:00-14:30 Results on the ground – the impact on family unification policies on Palestinian families
- One beneficiary
 - Social and psychological impacts of family unification on families in EJ Jerusalem
 - Demographic developments in East Jerusalem (UN OCHA, requested)
- 14:45-16:15 Future Perspectives - how to counter Israeli policies
- Expert on advocacy campaigns
 - Love under Apartheid campaign representative (requested)
 - Expert on Special Procedures