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"and he to whom wisdom is granted receiveth indeed a benefit overflowing"
(Al-Baqara 2:269)

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Dr Sara Roy

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Will Present a lecture on

Beyond Occupation? Examining the New Reality in Israel and Palestine

Date: Thursday 9th October 2008

Time: 6:30pm

Venue: Social Sciences Lecture Theatre, UWA

The CMSS and FOPWA presents Dr Sara Roy who will examine critical changes in the way the Palestinian-Israeli conflict is conceptualized, understood and addressed. Dr Roy will explore key paradigmatic shifts at the political, social and economic levels and argue that these shifts collectively represent a critical turning point regarding the possibility of achieving a meaningful and politically and economically sustainable resolution of the conflict. She will argue that in the absence of immediate redress, the transformations described will preclude any viable outcome for years if not decades to come.

Dr. Sara Roy is a senior research scholar at the Centre for Middle Eastern Studies at Harvard University. Trained as a political economist, Dr. Roy has worked in the Gaza Strip and West Bank since 1985 conducting research primarily on the economic, social and political development of the Gaza Strip and on U.S. foreign aid to the region. She has written extensively on the Palestinian economy, particularly in Gaza, and has documented its development over the last three decades.

Her current research, examines the social and economic sectors of the Palestinian Islamic movement and their relationship to Islamic political institutions, and the critical changes to the Islamic movement that have occurred over the last seven years. Her primary findings point to a restructuring and de-radicalization of the Islamist movement in the West Bank and Gaza Strip prior to the start of the second Palestinian uprising.

Dr. Roy is the author of several books including *The Gaza Strip: The Political Economy of De-development* (1995, 2001); *The Gaza Strip Survey* (1986); and *Failing Peace: Gaza and the Palestinian-Israeli Conflict* (London: Pluto Press, 2007).

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