Palestinian Political Economist To Speak at Cal Poly
On 'Impasses and Prospects for Peace in Israel and Palestine'

SAN LUIS OBISPO – Leila Farsakh, a Palestinian political economist and post-doctoral research fellow at Harvard University, will present "Impasses and Prospects for Peace in Israel and Palestine" from 6 to 8 p.m. March 2 in Chumash Auditorium at Cal Poly.

Farsakh, who is conducting post-doctoral research at Harvard’s Center for Middle Eastern Studies, is also a research affiliate at the Center for International Studies at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

She has worked with a number of organizations, including the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development in Paris and the Palestine Economic Policy Research Institute in Ramallah.

In 2001 she won the Peace and Justice Award from the Cambridge Peace Commission in Cambridge, Mass. Farsakh has written extensively on issues related to the Palestinian economy and the Oslo Process, international migration and regional integration. She earned a Ph.D. from the University of London.

The presentation is being organized by Cal Poly History Professor Manzar Foroohar. It is sponsored by the university’s College of Liberal Arts and History Department. For more information, call the History Department at 756-2543.

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