Book launch: Why Boycott Israeli Universities?

Join us for the launch of the 2025 edition of Why Boycott Israeli Universities? published by the British Committee for the Universities of Palestine (BRICUP).

6pm, Tuesday 21st October Central London

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The call to boycott Israeli universities, first made in 2004 by the Palestinian Campaign for the Academic and Cultural Boycott of Israel (PACBI), is more urgent than ever.

Israel's genocidal assault on the Gaza Strip, its destruction of health and education systems, its devastation of housing and infrastructure, and its starvation of the population, are now exposed as strategies to ethnically cleanse the Palestinian population in preparation for Jewish-Israeli settlement and annexation. Pressure on Palestinians in the West Bank is also intensifying, with the Israeli state coordinating settler assaults on Palestinian villages and the IDF attacking refugee camps and towns.

Israel's higher education system is fully complicit in the state's expansionist project: in training the perpetrators of the genocide; in providing ideological justification for mass murder and dispossession; and in developing the military weaponry for the surveillance and killing of Palestinian educationalists, health-care workers, journalists and political leaders, as well as of civilians proximate to their deliberate acts of assassination and destruction.

The boycott of Israeli academic and cultural institutions is therefore even more important today than it was twenty years ago. To inform and strengthen the boycott campaign, BRICUP has produced a new edition of the booklet *Why Boycott Israeli Universities?* Staff and students based at London universities are invited to join us for the launch of the booklet and a discussion of the next steps in the campaign.