



The Research Areas Medical Anthropology and Psychological Anthropology
invite to a guest lecture by

Sa'ed Atshan (Swarthmore College)

**“Psychosocial Humanitarianism in the Palestinian
Territories: 2010-2018”**

Time: June 14, 6.00-8.00 pm

Venue: Landoltweg 9-11, room 014 (seminar room)

Abstract: The population in the Occupied Palestinian Territories (Gaza Strip and West Bank, including East Jerusalem) are among the highest per capita recipients of international aid in the world. A significant portion of that aid over the past 15 years has been earmarked by Western donors to Palestine for psychosocial humanitarianism. This talk will explore the intersection of humanitarianism, mental health support, and regimes of governance in the Palestinian Territories.

Dr. Sa'ed Atshan is an Assistant Professor of Peace and Conflict Studies at Swarthmore College. He earned a joint Ph.D. in anthropology and middle eastern studies and an MA in social anthropology from Harvard University, and a Master in Public Policy (MPP) degree from the Harvard Kennedy School. His research interests are at the intersection of peace and conflict studies, the anthropology of policy, critical development studies and gender and sexuality studies. His forthcoming book, *Paradoxes of Humanitarianism: The Social Life of Aid in Palestine*, will be published by Stanford University Press.

Everyone interested is cordially invited to attend.

Prof. Dr. Hansjörg Dilger, Prof. Dr. Thomas Stodulka, Dr. Anita von Poser