

# Founding of Libra for Rights



**Committed to Justice – Grounded in Dignity – Driven to Advocate**

## Libra for rights?

**A for-profit, “socialism” legal institution that uses research as a tool of power, not as a cosmetic facade.**

Why Libra for rights is not an association?

**The members of Libra for Rights seek to take the lead in establishing a trusted institution within the community, serving as an alternative to existing civil society organizations. With experience working with NGOs, Libra members are eager to advance their legal careers, driven by their belief in the importance of collaborative work within society and its objectives, and their desire to develop the concept of the ancient Palestinian cooperative, "al-Awnah," within a legal and human rights framework.<sup>1</sup>**

### Vision

**Libra is woven from the fabric of society, investigating problems, documenting them, uncovering their roots, and offering solutions to mend social pains, even the small ones, through collaboration and by developing field research rooted in real engagement with the market.**

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<sup>1</sup> Awna as a unique sense of belonging to land, history and community, is a sort of moral guidance and glue that keeps the fallahi families together and on their land, continuing to grow olives. <https://dark-mountain.net/awna-%D8%A7%D9%84%D8%B9%D9%8E%D9%88%D9%86%D8%A9/>

## Mission

### For itself

**Libra works at the heart of society capturing its pulse, investigating its challenges, documenting them, and transforming them into knowledge and innovative legal solutions. We accompany individuals and institutions with honesty and professionalism, striving to advance justice, empower women, and foster a healthy business environment through law, research, and fieldwork.**

### For society

**Libra also aspires to establish the “*Libra Scholarship for Law and Palestinian Arts*”, reconnect society with its history and legal heritage, and serve as a trusted partner to the judiciary.**

### For Palestinians in the Diaspora

**Libra will be platform for listening to Palestinians in the diaspora and strengthening their connection to the Palestinian land by helping them research and investigate their families and history, research and investigate their lands, and providing them with a platform to hear their views on the Palestinian issue and Palestinian communities abroad.**

## Values

**Integrity, justice, knowledge, women's empowerment, professionalism, social innovation: these start in the field and return to the people.**

## Goals

- 1. Supporting Palestinian legal professionals and developing their professional and research capabilities.**
- 2. Documenting and analyzing community cases to produce legal knowledge grounded in reality.**
- 3. Preparing and writing research papers that address contemporary legal issues in depth and systematically.**
- 4. Launching legal awareness programs that raise community awareness of rights and obligations.**
- 5. Strengthening the connection between society and its legal history through knowledge-based and cultural initiatives.**
- 6. Developing innovative legal solutions based on field research that reflects the Palestinian social context.**
- 7. Promoting justice and empowering women through specialized and accessible legal services.**

## Our Legal services

**Libra provides comprehensive legal services as a for-profit law firm. These services include legal advice, representation before courts and judicial bodies, and litigation management at all stages, including the preparation of pleadings, memoranda, and legal appeals. Libra specializes in women's and family law, including divorce, alimony, child custody, and protection from violence, as well as civil and commercial disputes, partnership cases, and financial claims. It also offers legal services to the business sector, including contract drafting and review, legal advice, governance and compliance, and representation in arbitration and alternative dispute resolution.**

## Our strategy to commit to the vision

**Libra's strategy is built on integrating legal practice with research-driven insight to ensure that justice is both effective and socially grounded. We commit to our vision by engaging directly with community realities, documenting and analyzing legal challenges through field and doctrinal research, and translating this knowledge into high-quality legal services and innovative solutions. As a for-profit legal institution, Libra ensures financial sustainability while investing in knowledge production, women's empowerment, and capacity-building for legal professionals. We pursue strategic partnerships, continuous professional development, and gradual institutional growth, including obtaining research center accreditation when feasible, to strengthen our role as a trusted legal actor that bridges law, society, and justice.**

## Our aspiration to make a scholarship

**Art is the ambassador of Historical Palestine and the Palestinian people. We have Previous experience of art Meetings between artists and art students through several meetings in various parts of the West Bank, and the students were introduced to cultural and artistic institutions. Students do not naturally have freedom of movement, and in general, students are disconnected from the market, so we found the solution through this initiative. In addition, Through the Libra Scholarship for Law and Palestinian Arts, Libra seeks to empower its targeted students to present Palestinian messages around the world, to open ongoing discussions about the Palestinian situation and reality protect intellectual property rights, and enable participation in international exhibitions but first the local cultural platforms.**