

# MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

International Medical Education Trust 2000 - Palestine

## MEET THE TEAM



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# IMET2000 Hosts its Annual Fundraising Event at the House of Lords

IMET2000 hosted a distinguished fundraising evening on February 13, 2026, at the House of Lords, bringing together medical professionals, supporters, policymakers, and partners committed to rebuilding lives and strengthening healthcare systems in conflict-affected communities.

With a ceasefire now in place and months of preparation behind it, IMET2000 announced that it is ready to begin delivering custom-made prosthetic limbs to young amputees at close to production cost. Speakers emphasised that this initiative goes far beyond physical rehabilitation. "This is not simply about replacing a limb," guests heard. "It is about restoring independence, dignity, and the simple joy of movement. It is about allowing a child to return to school, to play, to feel whole again."

Funds raised will directly support the provision of high-quality, individually fitted prosthetics for children who have lost limbs during the conflict. Alongside this, IMET2000's teams are preparing to deliver culturally sensitive psychological care, helping children struggling with trauma to sleep again and supporting families as they begin the long process of healing.



In a region repeatedly exposed to conflict, preparedness is not optional – it is essential. The evening highlighted IMET2000's ongoing work through its established training centre in Ramallah, delivered in collaboration with local universities, hospitals, and NGOs.

Through advanced trauma training programmes, IMET2000 is:

- Equipping surgeons with the skills to manage complex injuries and large-scale emergencies
- Training nurses and junior doctors in internationally recognised trauma evaluation, life support, and cardiac resuscitation techniques
- Strengthening local healthcare capacity from within, ensuring sustainability and resilience.



When mass casualties occur, the difference between life and death often rests in the hands of frontline clinicians. Skill, speed, and confidence under pressure save lives.

The event also drew attention to the many medical students and young healthcare professionals whose education has been disrupted by war. Many have lost family members; others have seen their families lose employment and stability. Yet they remain the future doctors, nurses, and healthcare leaders who will rebuild and strengthen their communities.

By supporting their continued training, IMET2000 is preserving hope – ensuring that a generation of healers is not lost to conflict and enabling them to deliver desperately needed care across Gaza and the West Bank.



## IMET2000's CEO Delivers Keynote Address at the First Jerusalem Medical and Research Conference (JMRC)



Professor Malik Zaben, CEO of IMET2000 and Dean of the Faculty of Medicine at the Arab American University in Palestine, delivered a keynote address at the First Jerusalem Medical and Research Conference (JMRC), held at the Millennium Hotel in Ramallah. The conference brought together a distinguished gathering of academics, researchers, and health professionals.

Professor Zaben's participation underscores IMET2000's ongoing academic role in supporting medical education and strengthening scientific research. In addition to delivering the keynote lecture, he played an active role in evaluating the scientific papers presented during the conference.

During the event, Professor Zaben presented a keynote lecture entitled "Beyond the White Coat: The Doctor's Way of Life". In his address, he explored the humanistic and ethical dimensions of the medical profession, examining how physicians' values, lifestyle, and professional conduct influence the quality of healthcare delivery and the advancement of research. He emphasised the importance of integrating clinical excellence with compassion, integrity, and strong human values in everyday practice.

The conference was attended by senior academic leaders and official figures, reflecting its scientific importance and the growing role of medical research in Palestine.



## IMET2000 Organises Advanced Cardiovascular Life Support Training for Healthcare Professionals at IMET2000-Pal Training Centre

As part of its continued commitment to strengthening emergency medical services in Palestine, IMET2000-Pal delivered a specialised two-day Advanced Cardiovascular Life Support (ACLS) training workshop for healthcare professionals accredited by the American Heart Association (AHA) at the IMET2000-Pal Training Centre on 2-3 February 2026.



The workshop was attended by six doctors and nurses representing several hospitals. It focused on the key components of advanced cardiopulmonary resuscitation, including the management of respiratory and cardiac arrest, symptomatic bradycardia, airway management, acute stroke care, and ACLS-related medications.

In addition to clinical knowledge and practical skills, the training emphasised the importance of clear communication and strong leadership within ACLS teams. The aim was to improve coordinated and timely decision-making during high-risk emergencies.



## IMET2000 Supports Ms. Hamsa Shaheen in Studying Nutrition at Palestine Technical University

IMET2000 has extended its scholarship support to Ms. Hamsa Shaheen from Kafr Rai, Jenin, enabling her to study Nutrition at Palestine Technical University – Kadoorie and continue her academic journey with confidence.



Through this support, Ms. Hamsa will gain scientific knowledge in healthy nutrition and develop practical skills that will enable her to contribute to improving nutrition and health awareness in her community. She also aims to support preventive and treatment programmes in line with modern standards.



Ms. Hamsa expressed her sincere thanks to IMET2000, saying:

"I would like to express my deep gratitude to IMET2000 for awarding me this scholarship. I am very proud and thankful for this generous support. This scholarship will help me continue my academic journey and achieve my educational goals. Your trust and belief in students like me motivate me to work harder and strive for excellence."

# IMET2000 Participates in the First International Conference On Higher Education in Health Professions Education in Oman

IMET2000 participated in the First International Conference on Higher Education in Health Professions Education (NU-ICHPE), held in Muscat, Oman, and organised by the National University of Science and Technology.

IMET2000 was represented by Prof Malik Zaben, CEO of IMET2000 and Dean of the Faculty of Medicine at the Arab American University - Palestine, and Dr Ahmad Rajoub, Medical Education Officer at IMET2000-Pal.



During the conference, IMET2000 presented two research studies highlighting its sustained efforts to strengthen health professions education in Palestine. The first, delivered as a poster presentation, examined the impact of extracurricular research training on medical students' confidence in their research abilities, emphasising the value of structured opportunities beyond the formal curriculum.



The second study, presented orally, explored the development of leadership and communication skills among healthcare students and early-career professionals through an online training programme. The findings demonstrated measurable improvements in participants' soft skills, reinforcing the programme's role as an effective and complementary component within health education curricula.



## IMET2000 Visits the Early Intervention Society and Delivers Heartsaver® Training in Beit Ur Al-Tahta

On 7 February 2026, IMET2000 visited the Early Intervention Society for Children with Learning Difficulties in Beit Ur Al-Tahta, Ramallah, where the team met with staff to explore ongoing programmes and services for children.

Building on this, IMET2000 organised a specialised workshop entitled "Heartsaver® First Aid Training for Care Providers." The training brought together seven specialists working with children with special needs and focused on enhancing their confidence and readiness to respond effectively to medical emergencies.

Delivered by an American Heart Association-certified instructor, the session combined structured instruction with practical, hands-on exercises, equipping participants with essential first aid skills to help ensure a safer environment for both children and staff.



# IMET2000 Equips Healthcare Professionals with Essential Life-Saving Skills

In critical situations, the possession of appropriate skills can be decisive in saving lives. In this context, IMET2000-Pal conducted two specialised training workshops titled “Critical Core Training: Basic Life Support (BLS) Training for Healthcare Professionals.”

The workshops aimed to equip healthcare professionals with essential theoretical knowledge and hands-on skills in cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) for adults, children, and infants, alongside practical training on the safe and effective use of Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs).



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The first BLS workshop took place on 11 February at the IMET2000-Pal Training Centre in Ramallah. The second workshop was held on 26 February at Hebron University in collaboration with the Palestine Medical Students' Association (PMSA), engaging 18 medical students and interns from Hebron University and Palestine Polytechnic University.

The workshops were delivered by certified instructors accredited by the American Heart Association (AHA), and the training ensured participants received up-to-date, standardised instruction aligned with international guidelines.



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