

## Petition against academic cooperation on petroleum technology research with Israel

The University of Stavanger (UiS) and the Israeli university Technion are currently engaged in bilateral cooperation on petroleum technology research. NTNU (The Norwegian University of Science and Technology) is considering similar cooperation with Israeli universities.

The oil and gas Israel wants to exploit extend below Palestinian waters. Norwegian authorities have advised Norwegian companies against investing in these areas because the maritime borders between Israel, Palestine and Lebanon are disputed. Norwegian authorities also declined a request for assistance in developing scientific expertise in petroleum technology from the Palestinian authority, due to the disputes over the borders between Palestinian and Israeli land. Also, Israel is presently occupying, controlling and exploiting Palestinian land and water resources in breach of international law, and is already, as of today, drilling for oil on the Syrian Golan heights.

To assist Israel with academic expertise in petroleum technology will strengthen the strategic and economic position of the occupier at the expense of the rights of the Palestinians.

We therefore urge the University of Stavanger to end their cooperation with Technion. We also urge NTNU and other Norwegian universities not to cooperate with Israeli universities in developing petroleum technology.

Please sign the petition

<http://www.ipetitions.com/petition/opprop-mot-norsk-israelsk-oljesamarbeid-i-akademia>

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The Norwegian Committee for Academic and Cultural boycott of the state of Israel

