

The Palestinian Initiative for the Promotion of **Global Dialogue and Democracy**-MIFTAH

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Support of Municipal Local Elections 2011 Brief

Support of Municipal Local Elections 2011 is a project being implemented by MIFTAH in the period between June 27-December 31, 2011 in partnership with the International Republican Institute (IRI). To achieve the objectives of the project, MIFTAH is implementing several interrelated activities such as town hall meetings and TV/Radio talk shows. Through these activities, MIFTAH targets Palestinian citizens-both men and women- to participate in civic dialogue with the goals of providing a platform for the public to enhance their knowledge of active citizenship, the importance of community and political participation and to encourage people to conduct lobbying, roundtable and dialogue sessions independent of IRI/MIFTAH. This is in order to attain the goal of holding elections and explore the needs, issues and priorities of the community. Moreover, TV/Radio talk shows offer a space for the audience to discuss momentum/current political issues, raise awareness and advocate for holding local council elections.