**Abstract**

Palestine has long way to bring its legal system in conformity with international labour standards. The lack of respect of such standards, as the special law with regard to the human right to work, might hinder the effective compliance with that right as embedded in the Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, whose labour provisions form the general law. The legislative readiness of Palestine to become full member of the International Labour Organization is doubtful. Should it be interested to join the Organization, Palestine is called upon to undertake systematic reform to upgrade its legislation, policies and institutions in line with international labour law.