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She has years of experience in conflict transformation, NGO leadership, and social change education and activism, as well as a life-long commitment to building strong people-to-people relations across conflicts. She has long been an active leader in grassroots Palestinian and Israeli initiatives focused on Feminist Inclusive Political Activism (FIPA) and track two diplomacy. She is a well-known speaker on issues related to Middle East politics and the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, narratives of competing victimhood and narratives of liberation. In January 2019, she participated in designing, teaching and evaluating an interfaith study tour on women in the three Abrahamic religions called Hakima.

After studying conflict transformation and peace studies as a Fulbright scholar, she worked as an executive director, a program director, and an NGO consultant to several organizations in the U.S., and Palestine. She has taught and trained hundreds of students in Israel, Palestine and the U.S. She has long been an active leader in grassroots Palestinian and Israeli initiatives focused on Feminist Inclusive Political Activism (FIPA) and track two diplomacy. Previously, Huda worked as a teacher, trainer, and consultant for the Palestinian Ministry of Education for fifteen years. She earned her M.A. in conflict transformation and peace studies from Eastern Mennonite University and her B.A. in education for social change from Al-Quds Open University in Jerusalem.

Huda is the oldest of twelve children, the daughter of respected Palestinian educators, and an aunt to twenty-eight nieces and nephews. Born in Jerusalem, she has traveled extensively in Europe and the Middle East, lived for eight years in the U.S., and now resides in Dura - Hebron. Huda was honored in December 2017 with the first-ever Laudato Si' Prize, awarded at the Vatican in honor of her lifelong commitment to peace and peacebuilding.