Elmusa states that the water conflict between the Palestinians and Israelis is related to the transboundary nature of water resources and their scarcity, and to decades of occupation. One of the key issues in the Palestinian-Israeli conflict is Israel's policy of restricting Palestinian access to water, while permitting Israelis and settlers ample supply of it. Elmusa identifies this maldistribution, or water "gap," as one of the key obstacles to a lasting peace, and offers plausible solutions that are rooted in international law and joint management.