

# ISRAEL AT THE CROSSROADS: State and Society Facing a Political Upheaval



EAIS 11th Annual Conference  
on Israel Studies

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## **Artur Skorek, PhD**

Chair of the European  
Association of Israel Studies

### **Dear Delegates and Colleagues,**

This is a very special time for Israel and a special conference for the EAIS. The rupture in Israeli society grew critically deep and the political protests reached an unprecedented level. Legal changes initiated this year prompted strong critique from many actors within Israel and abroad. EAIS also issued the statement voicing its concern with “looming changes in the state’s political and legal system, and the growing support for racism and incitement”. It is our responsibility to participate in the public debate at such a pivotal moment. We hope to provide a forum that will welcome different voices and advance discussions about recent developments in Israel.

For the EAIS, this conference is special also because for the first time it will be held in Israel. I’d like to thank Ben-Gurion University of the Negev (BGU) for hosting this academic event. We are thrilled to organize the EAIS 11th Annual Conference in the vibrant academic environment together with BGU academics who for years have supported our activities. The conference is unique also because it is hosted by two institutes located in two different municipalities – Beer Sheva and Sde Boker. I greatly appreciate the support of both the Simone Veil Research Centre for Contemporary European Studies and the Ben-Gurion Research Institute for the Study of Israel and Zionism. I believe that our common efforts will bear the fruit of an inspiring and impactful academic event.

This is a new chapter for the EAIS as the term of the new Board has started this year. On this occasion, I’d like to express my gratitude to Joanna Dyduch who acted as a chair of the association for the last 6 years. Your dedication and unfaltering leadership let the EAIS develop and consolidate its position in international academia.

Dear participants, thank you for being a part of our community. I truly hope that you will have a good and stimulating experience at the EAIS 11th Annual Conference.



## **Prof. Chaim Hames**

Rector of Ben-Gurion  
University of the Negev

I would like to welcome all the participants of the 11th Annual Conference of the European Association of Israel Studies to Ben-Gurion University of the Negev. The first day of your conference will be held at our Sde Boker Campus where the archives of David Ben-Gurion, the first prime minister of Israel and our namesake are kept, and close to the place where he and his wife, Paula, are buried. It is from his vision and understanding of the significance of this part of the country for the future of Israel, that we draw our inspiration. From our location in the Negev, we do our utmost to produce cutting-edge research in fields as diverse as desert agriculture, AI and Jewish Thought and educate generations of young Israelis, along with international students, who go on to contribute to the good of global society and this country.

The topic of your conference is very timely and important, as is the broader setting and comparison with processes which are happening in Europe. I, along with many of my colleagues, are very concerned with the legislative progress and the effect it will have on our liberal democracy and academia. Many of the issues you will be touching on and questions that will be asked are crucial for our future as a thriving democracy and I look forward to reading the results of your deliberations in future publications.

I wish you all a stimulating and beneficial conference at our university.



### **Prof. Guy Ben-Porat**

Chair of the Simone Veil Research  
Centre for Contemporary European  
Studies, Ben-Gurion University  
of the Negev

#### **Dear EAIS Members and Colleagues,**

On behalf of the Simone Veil Research Centre for Contemporary European Studies at Ben-Gurion University of the Negev (BGU), I would like to welcome you to Ben-Gurion University of the Negev.

Our Centre was established in 2003, to offer students and faculty the opportunity to deepen and enhance their knowledge of contemporary political and social developments in Europe, as well as to promote greater awareness within Israel of the growing importance of the European Union (EU).

Our mission is to enable BA, MA and Ph.D. level students, from all disciplines, including those who do not usually come into contact with European integration studies, an opportunity to gain a deeper knowledge and understanding of the integration process and its implications for European citizenship and the global community. To this effect, The Simon Veil Research Centre coordinates the National Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence and a Jean Monnet Chair ad personam in European Integration Studies, develops joint research projects with European research institutions, organises international conferences and workshops and brings contemporary European culture to BGU through seminars, films, and talks by distinguished European figures. In this light, it was an obvious step on our behalf, to host the EAIS annual conference at BGU, to promote the mutual understanding of Europe and Israel.

We are proud to co-host the EAIS annual conference at BGU, and hope you have a fruitful, meaningful, academic and personal experience during your stay in Israel.



### **Prof. Avi Bareli**

Director of the Ben-Gurion  
Research Institute for the Study  
of Israel and Zionism, Ben-Gurion  
University of the Negev

#### **Dear Conference Participants,**

The Ben-Gurion Institute for the Study of Israel and Zionism at Ben-Gurion University is happy and proud to host the opening of the EAIS annual conference. We consider ourselves loyal partners of the EAIS in promoting research on the fascinating phenomenon called Israel.

The Ben-Gurion Institute for the Study of Israel and Zionism is a home for rich multidisciplinary research on Israel and Zionism, which is carried out by faculty members, research fellows and research students. We teach undergraduate, graduate, and postgraduate students. The Ben-Gurion Institute operates the Ben-Gurion Archive, a valuable empirical treasure, an academic press that publishes two leading scientific journals, 'IYUNIM' and 'ISRAEL STUDIES', and a series of research monographs. The Azrieli Center for Israel Studies, which operates within the Institute, is a creative and highly influential research center in the field.

We welcome the conference members and wish them fruitful discussions!



## ORGANIZER

The European Association of Israel Studies (EAIS) is an independent, international, scholarly association devoted to the academic study of Israel. The EAIS is committed to rigorous academic scholarship about Israel and high-quality research and teaching in this area, as well as increasing the breadth of study of this important part of the Middle East. Our mission is to promote, encourage, and support the independent, academic study of Israel across Europe.

## PROGRAM COMMITTEE

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## DATE AND LOCATION

This year, the conference will take place from Sunday, 8 to Tuesday, 10 October at the Ben-Gurion University of the Negev. The first day of the conference is hosted by the Ben-Gurion Research Institute for the Study of Israel and Zionism in Sde Boker, and the second and third day of the conference is hosted by the Simone Veil Research Centre for Contemporary European Studies in Beer Sheva.

### Marcus Family Campus

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Beer-Sheva, 8410501 Israel

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# EAIS 11TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE ON ISRAEL STUDIES

## BEN-GURION UNIVERSITY OF THE NEGEV

SUNDAY — 8 OCTOBER

### Day 1

 SDE BOKER

**10.30** Bus from Beer Sheva North station to Sde Boker Campus, Midreshet Ben-Gurion

**11:30** Opening of the registration desk

**12.00-14.00** Ben Gurion Archive & Tomb (with a guide)

**14.00-14.45** Lunch & Registration

**14.45-15.00** Official opening of the conference

**15.00-16.00** Keynote speech

Andrea Pető, The Illiberal Script of De-Democratisation:  
Lessons and Strategies, Central European University

**16.00-17.30** Opening Roundtable: Israeli State and Society Facing a Political Upheaval

**CHAIR:** Hila Zahavi (Ben Gurion University of the Negev)

**Sara Hirschhorn** (Oxford University & Northwestern University)

**Uri Keidar** (Israel Hofsheet)

**David Tal** (University of Sussex)

**Ilan Troen** (Brandeis University/Ben Gurion University of the Negev)

**Alla Zakharchenko** (Odesa Mechnikov National University Ukraine)

**17.30-17.45** Coffee break

**17.45-19.15** Plenary Session: Rethinking Israeli Politics via Ben-Gurion's Political Thought

**CHAIR:** Gilat Gofer (Ben Gurion University of the Negev)

**Avi Bareli** (Ben Gurion University of the Negev)

**Paula Kabalo** (Ben Gurion University of the Negev)

**Ofer Shiff** (Ben Gurion University of the Negev)

Bus to Beer Sheva



### SDE BOKER VENUE ROOMS:

#### The registration desk

will be located at the lobby  
of the Ben-Gurion Institute  
for the Study of Israel & Zionism,  
building 23.

#### Panels, lunch & coffee breaks

will take place in the George  
Evans Family Auditorium,  
building 19.

MONDAY — 9 OCTOBER

## Day 2

📍 BEER SHEVA

09.15–10.45	Session 1
10.45–11.15	Coffee break
11.15–12.45	Session 2
12.45–14.00	Lunch
14.00–15.30	Session 3
15.30–16.00	Coffee break
16.00–17.30	Session 4
18.00	Dinner ("Hodu HaKtana" restaurant)

TUESDAY — 10 OCTOBER

## Day 3

📍 BEER SHEVA

8.15–9.15	General Assembly of the EAIS
09.30–11.00	Session 5
11.00–11.30	Coffee break
11.30–12.30	Israel: A History in 100 Cartoons – Colin Shindler (SOAS)
12.30–13.45	Lunch
13.45–15.15	Session 6
15.15–15.45	Coffee break
15.45–18.15	Movie screening & discussion
18.15	Closing remarks



### BEER SHEVA VENUE ROOMS:

#### The registration desk and coffee breaks

will be in the Senate Lobby,  
building **71**

#### Panels A

book talk with Colin Shindler  
and General Assembly of the EAIS  
will take place in the Senate Hall,  
building **71**

#### Panels B

will take place in The Barkan Hall,  
building **70**

#### Panels C

will take place in Room 136,  
building **71**

#### Panels D

will take place in Room 301,  
building **74**

#### Panels E

will take place in Room 316,  
building **74**

#### The movie screening

will take place in Room 109,  
building **74**

#### The Monday dinner

will take place in  
"Hodu HaKtana" restaurant  
(15 Ringelblum St.)

MONDAY — 9 OCTOBER

## Day 2

Beer Sheva

SESSION 1

09.15 – 10.45

A

Convergences and Divergences  
in the US-Israel Relationship

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**CHAIR: Amnon Aran**, City, University of London**Natan Aridan**, Ben Gurion University of the Negev  
*The Israeli Diplomacy and Nixon's Attempts to Rein  
in the Israel Lobby***Jonathan Rynhold**, Bar Ilan University  
*Institutionalization: The Fourth Pillar of the Special Relationship***David Tal**, University of Sussex  
*Kissinger's Wrath: Henry Kissinger and the March 1975  
Reassessment*

B

## Israel and European States

70

**CHAIR: Peter Lintl**, German Institute for International  
and Security Affairs**Olaf Glöckner**, Moses Mendelssohn Center/University  
of Potsdam  
*"Zion" and the "Humanitarian Superpower": Particularities  
in the Relations Between Sweden and Israel Against the  
Backdrop of Human Rights Policy***Maria Owiredü**, Linnaeus University  
*"Ideology or Religion": How Left-Right Ideology Plays a Key Role in  
Attitudes toward Israel and Palestine: The Case of Sweden***Orna Almog**, ATINER  
*Beyond Uzo and Bouzouki: Israeli - Greek Relations in Times  
of Upheavals***Alon Helled**, University of Turin  
*Unstable Political We-Feelings in Israel and Italy: Cyclical  
Decivilizing Parabolas?***Daniel Gheorghe**, SNSPA Bucharest  
*Populism and de-Europeanization of the EU Foreign Policy in  
Relation to the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict: The Cases of the  
Czech Republic, Hungary, Poland and Romania*

C

Bedouin in the Negev: Tribalism,  
Politics and Criticism

71

**CHAIR: Itamar Radai**, Open University of Israel**Havatzelet Yahel**, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev  
*The Negev Bedouin and Israel-Delegitimization***Emir Galilee**, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev & Kaye  
Academic College  
*Changes in Landscape Perception of Negev Bedouins  
in Sedentarization Processes***Tomer Dekel**, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev  
*Critique, Progress and the Politics of Knowledge in the Planning  
of Bedouin Settlement in the Negev***Rachel Katoshevski, Shlomit Tamari, Steven C. Dinero,  
Yuval Karplus**, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev  
*Urban Tribble: Structure, Functioning and Residency in the  
Bedouin Towns of the Negev*

D

Art and Populism in the art  
field of Israel

74

**CHAIR: Merav Yerushalmy**, Independent Researcher**Merav Yerushalmy**, independent researcher  
*Art, Populism and the Case of the Painted House in Shlomi***Roni Tzoreff**, Ben Gurion University of the Negev  
*"You will hurl all our sins into the depths of the sea": A Popu-  
list-Feminist Option of Repentance in the Work of Shula Keshet***Yael Guilat**, Oranim Academic College  
*Populism, Antagonism, and the Arts: What Role Does Realism  
Play in Today's Israeli Painting Scene for Female Artists from  
Non-Privileged Groups?***Ami Steinitz**  
*No-Walls Curating*

E

## New Universities in Beirut, Cairo and Jerusalem: Toward a Comparative Intellectual History

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**CHAIR:** Cedric Cohen-Skalli, University of Haifa

**Cedric Cohen-Skalli**, University of Haifa  
*Beirut, Cairo and Jerusalem Universities and the New Middle East*

**Niv Perelsztejn**, University of Haifa  
*"Gentlemen do not spit:" Leon Roth's Philosophy for a Future Jewish Society*

**Margherita Ledro**, University of Haifa  
*Italian Scholars in the Making of Cairo University*

**Christoph Hopp**, University of Haifa & University of Potsdam  
*The Origin of the Debate About the Semitic Character of the Modernized Hebrew Language: Linguistics in Transition from the European Scholarly World to British Mandatory Palestine*

## SESSION 2

11.15 – 12.45

A

## Roundtable: EU-Israel Relations-Quo Vadis?

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**CHAIR:** Hila Zahavi, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev

**Sharon Pardo**, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev

**Sara Kahn-Nisser**, Open University of Israel

**Yuval Reinfeld**, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev

**Ronny Leshno-Yaar**, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev

B

## Evolution of the Israeli Polity

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**CHAIR:** Karolina Zielińska, Vistula University in Warsaw

**Csaba Nikolenyi**, Concordia University  
*The Israeli Presidency: Institutional Change in Historical Perspective*

**Aharon Ariel Lavi**, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev  
*The Conservative Evolution: How American Neoconservatism Made Aliyah to Israel, 1985-2015*

**Ben Herzog**, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev  
*Amending the Grandchild Clause of the Law of Return – The Politics of Demography and Citizenship in Israel*

**Lev Grinberg**, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev  
*Regime Rupture and Resistance – Prospects for the Emergence of Democratic Visions of the Future*

C

## Role of Religion in Israel

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**CHAIR:** Sara Hirschhorn, Oxford University & Northwestern University

**Tehila Gado, Rebecca Kook, Ayelet Harel**, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev  
*The Politics of Belonging: A Study of Modern Orthodox Women in Israel*

**Yosef Salmon**, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev  
*The Hareidic Society in the Mandatory Period*

**Ola Abu-Hasan Nabwani**, Yezreel Valley College & Kinneret Academic College  
*Relationship of Religious Affiliation Group Norms to Israeli Men's Participation in Household Duties: Changes over Ten Years*

**Nurit Kirsh, Yael Hashiloni-Dolev**, Open University of Israel, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev  
*Who is a Jew, 2.0: The Contemporary Conflict Around the Use of DNA to Determine Jewishness*

## D Arab-Jewish Relations: A Historical Perspective

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**CHAIR:** Johannes Becke, Heidelberg Center for Jewish Studies

**Meir Chazan**, Tel Aviv University

*The View of Haim Arlosoroff Regarding Jewish-Arab Relations in Palestine*

**Adi Schwartz**, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev

*The Babylonian Dreyfus: The Hanging of Shafiq Adas and the End of the Jewish Community in Iraq*

**Itamar Radai**, Open University of Israel

*The Emergency Committee and the Planning of the Future of Israel's Arab Minority, 1947-1948*

**Moshe Naor**, University of Haifa

*Iraqi Jewish Immigrants and Palestinian Refugees in Ma'abarot Tira*

## E Bureaucracy in Israel – Public Administration Reforms and Modifications in Times of Political Upheaval

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**CHAIR:** Niva Golan-Nadir, Reichman University

**Niva Golan-Nadir**, Reichman University

*Socio-Political Cleavages Leading Local Politicians and Bureaucrats to Become Agents of Change: The Case of Religion and State in Israel*

**Zehavit Levitats**, Bar-Ilan University

*Revisiting the Problem of Causality Between Trust in Government and Public Service Performance in Times of Political Upheaval in Israel*

**Saar Alon-Barkat**, University of Haifa

*Civil Servants' Endogenous Response to Political Initiation of Democratic Backsliding*

**Ofek Edri-Peer**, University of Haifa

*Social Equity in Public Administration: Lessons from the Street-Level*

## SESSION 3

14.00 – 15.30

## A Dynamics of the Arab-Jewish Relations

71

**CHAIR:** Moshe Naor, University of Haifa

**Marcela Menachem Zoufala**, Charles University in Prague

*The Role of the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict in the Jewish-Arab Interactions in Prague*

**Liora Sion**, The University of Copenhagen

*Privileged Passing: Jewish Men Who Pass as Palestinians*

**Abbasi Mustafa**, Tel-Hai College

*Tiberias: Why the Model of Coexistence Between Arabs and Jews Collapsed*

## B Theorizing Jewish-Arab Trans- culturation in Israel/Palestine

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**CHAIR:** Johannes Becke, Heidelberg Center for Jewish Studies

**Lily Eilan**, Heidelberg University

*Like Two Photos Taken on One Film: Palestinian Bassa and Israeli Shlomi 1940-1960*

**Uri Rosenberg**, Hadassah Academic College, Heidelberg University  
*Chen Bram, "In the Caucasus, Muslims Were Like our Brothers, but We Were in our Place, and They Were in Theirs": Remembering Jewish-Muslim Relations in Acre*

**Ari Engelberg**, Hadassah Academic College

*Jewish-Arab Transculturation in Israel's Extreme Right-Wing*

**Johannes Becke**, Heidelberg Center for Jewish Studies

*Learning from the Enemy: Israel's Temple Movement*



## Israeli-Arab Peace Negotiations and Accords

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**CHAIR: David Tal**, University of Sussex

**Louise Fischer**, former editor, Israel State Archives  
*The Fissures Widen: Challenges to the Israeli Leadership During Negotiations with Syria, 1974*

**Karolina Zielińska**, Vistula University in Warsaw  
*Israel as a Participant of Regional Environmental Cooperation: Prevention and Response to Marine Pollution at the Mediterranean Sea on the Basis of REMPEC Documents*

**Rafał Soroczyński**, Academy of Applied Sciences in Poznań  
*The Impact of the Abraham Accords on the Arab Peace Initiative of 2002 and Palestinians' Position in the Middle Eastern Peace Process*

**Ido Yahel**, Tel Aviv University  
*New Agreements, Old Reality: Analysis of the Media Discourse in Lebanon of the Gas Agreement and the Abraham Accords*



## Culture and Education

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**CHAIR: Peter Lintl**, German Institute for International and Security Affairs

**Ofra Arieli Backenroth**, The Jewish Theological Seminary  
*Dance, Ideology and Education: The Formation of New Culture*

**Noga Raved, Havatzelet Yahel**, Ben Gurion University of the Negev  
*Changing Shifts: From Hegemony to Sectoral Cultures in Museums and Exhibition Centres*



## History of Zionism and Jewish Diaspora

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**CHAIR: Olaf Glöckner**, Moses Mendelssohn Center/University of Potsdam

**Fred A. Lazin**, Ben Gurion University of the Negev  
*Israeli Diaspora Relations: The Ambivalence Among Jews of China About Resettling in Israel, 1945-1951*

**Khinvrj Jangid**, OP Jindal Global University Delhi and Ben-Gurion University of the Negev  
*David Ben-Gurion and his Socialist Comrades in India: A Non-Diplomatic Engagement*

**Joanna Guzik**, Jagiellonian University in Krakow  
*Japan's Support to Zionism*

**Channa Zaccai**, University of Amsterdam  
*Israelis in the Netherlands between 1960 and 2020: A Historical Study of Diaspora and Jewish Identity*

## SESSION 4

16.00 – 17.30



## Jewish Identity and Israeli Democracy

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**CHAIR: Artur Skorek**, Jagiellonian University in Krakow

**Arieh Saposnik**, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev  
*Nationalist Humanism, Particularist Universalism?: The Paradoxical Zionist Thought of Joseph Klausner*

**Menachem Klein**, Bar Ilan University  
*How Jewish Sovereignty Changed Judaism*

**Sara Hirschhorn**, Oxford University & Northwestern University  
*New Day in Babylon and Jerusalem: Zionism, Jewish Power, and Identity Politics Since 1967*

**Ofir Abu**, Kinneret Academic College  
*The Current Regime Crisis in Israel and the Changes in Israel's Citizenship Regime*



## The Perils of Regime Change in Israel (part 1)

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**CHAIR: Oded Haklai**, Queen's University in Kingston

**Oded Haklai**, Queen's University in Kingston  
*Democratic Backsliding in Israel: A Process, Not an Event*

**Suzie Navot, Guy Lurie**, The Israel Democracy Institute  
*An Attack on the Rule of Law in Israel*

**Carmela Lutmar**, Haifa University  
*One Step Forward, Three Steps Back: Judicial Reforms, Governance, and the Quality of Democracy*

**Doron Navot**, Haifa University  
*Israeli Government's Deconstruction of the State*

**Lihi Ben Shitrit, Meirav Jones**, New York University, McMaster University  
*Sovereignty in Hebrew and the Path to Democratic Decline*

C

## Different Dimensions of Security

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**CHAIR: Anders Persson**, Linnaeus University**Alla Zakharchenko**, Odesa Mechnikov National University  
Ukraine*Russia's War in Ukraine: Strategic Implications for Israel***Alberto Priego**, Comillas University*Netanyahu's Legacy: From Revisionist Zionism to Securitizing-Revisionism Zionism***Kobi Peled**, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev*Popular Poetry and Verbal Violence: Listening to Negev Bedouin Voices during the 2021 Israel-Palestine Crisis***Migena "Megghi" Pengili**, University of Leeds*Deciding the Transformation of Defence- Public Private Partnerships and Organisational Learning*

D

## Origins and Dynamics of the Contemporary Protests

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**CHAIR: Amnon Aran**, City, University of London**Avi Kay**, Jerusalem College of Technology*Israeli Economic Actors and the Public Debate Regarding the Legal System: A Preliminary Analysis***Adi Ravash, Gal Gerson**, University of Haifa*What Liberalism is Populism Reacting to? The Case of Judge Aharon Barak*

E

## Jewish Immigrants in Israel

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**CHAIR: Olaf Glöckner**, Moses Mendelssohn Center/University of Potsdam**Sylvie Fogiel-Bijaoui**, The Israel Academic College  
in Ramat Gan*The Politics of Othering: The F.S.U Immigrants in Israel***Paula Kabalo, Hila Shalem Baharad**, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, Tel-Aviv University*Newcomers Reclaim Belonging Immigrants' Writings to David Ben-Gurion 1953-1963***Daniel DeMalach**, Sapir Academic College*Fraud Based on False Documents: The State Commission of Inquiry Report Addresses the Complaints About Disappearance of Children from Rosh Ha'Ain Immigrants' Camp*

TUESDAY — 10 OCTOBER

Day 3

Beer Sheva

SESSION 5

09.30 – 11:00

A

## The Perils of Regime Change in Israel (part 2)

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**CHAIR: Adia Mendelson Maoz**, Open University of Israel**Sammy Smoocha**, University of Haifa*The De-Democratization Plan as a Reinforcer of Political and Social Divisions in Israeli Society***Yuval Benziman, Tom Levizky**, Hebrew University of Jerusalem  
*The Legitimization Process of the Hilltop Youth: A Journey from an Outcast to the Israeli Cabinet***Dana Arieli**, Holon Institute of Technology  
*Protest Art in Israel: The Case of 2023***Gal Ariely**, Ben Gurion University of the Negev  
*Democratic Erosion, the Controversy About the Definition of the Israeli Regime and the Mobilization Force of "Regime Imagination"*

B

## Palestinian-Israeli Relations

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**CHAIR: Daniel Gheorghe**, SNSPA Bucharest

**Galit Yanay Ventura, Smadar Ben-Asher, Moshe Sharabi, Ilan Shdema**, Yezreel Valley College, Achva Academic College  
*Jewish-Arab Volunteering for Refugees on Lesbos as a Ground-breaking Event Reflected in Volunteer Stories*

**Liora Sion**, University of Copenhagen  
*'Ahmed, My Son, How They Killed You'; Israeli Combat Soldiers Sing about Palestinians*

**Alexander Koensler**, University of Perugia  
*Affective Frontiers: Negotiating Contested Lands and Settling Enterprises in the Israeli Periphery*

**Clarisse Genton**, Paris-Est University  
*Settlements in the Occupied Territories, a Frontline Outpost of the Israeli Regime Crisis*

C

## Sociocultural Divide in Israel: Identity and Values

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**CHAIR: Marcela Menachem Zoufala**, Charles University in Prague

**Ari Engelberg**, Hadassah Academic College  
*"Religion of Democracy": What the Protest Movement Can Teach Us about Worldviews of the Israeli Secular Liberal Center*

**Jenny Hestermann**, Heinrich-Boell-Foundation  
*Putting Israel Studies into Practice: Notes on the Promotion of Civil Society in Israel*

**Timea Crofony**, Charles University in Prague  
*"We Need a New Independence Day." Israeli Identity Reflexions in the Midst of Judicial Overhaul*

**Dana Zarhin**, University of Haifa  
*The Pull into Wakefulness: How Sociocultural Categories Intersect to Shape Sleep Opportunity and Sleep Ability in Israel*

D

## Arab Women

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**CHAIR: Ola Abu-Hasan Nabwani**, Yezreel Valley College and Kinneret Academic College

**Moshe Sharabi, Ilan Shdema, Galit Yanay-Ventura, Doaa Manadreh**, Yezreel Valley College  
*Muslim Working Women in Israel: The Effect of Cultural Values and Religiosity Degree on Work, Family and Other Life Domains Centrality*

**Abbas Fahime**, Adva Center  
*The Intersectional Crisis Implications of the Housing Crisis on Arab Women in Israel*

**Ilan Shdema, Moshe Sharabi, Galit Yanay-Ventura**, Yezreel Valley College  
*Level of Religiosity and Labour Market Outcomes of Arab-Muslim Women in Israel*

**Galit Yanay-Ventura, Moshe Sharabi, Ilan Shdema**, Yezreel Valley College  
*Civic Service as Agency: The Case of Young Arab Women in Israel*

E

## Israel and the Jewish Diaspora in the Anglophone World

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**CHAIR: Ben Herzog**, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev

**Suzanne D. Rutland**, University of Sydney  
*Israel's Political Turmoil and its Impact at Edge of the Diaspora*

**Joyce Dalsheim**, University of North Carolina  
*On Living in Different Worlds: Ontological Conflict and Religious Nationalisms in the U.S. and Israel*

**Amir Segal**, Hebrew University of Jerusalem  
*North American Jewish Philanthropy and Israeli Conservative Civil Society: Critical Community and Transnational Transference*

## SPECIAL EVENT: BOOK PRESENTATION

## 11:30 – 12:30

**CHAIR: Timea Crofony**, Charles University in Prague

**Colin Shindler**, SOAS University of London  
*Israel: A History in 100 Cartoons*

A

### Dynamics of the European-Israeli Encounters: Culture, Values and Interests

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**CHAIR: Joanna Dyduch**, Jagiellonian University in Kraków

**Sharon Pardo**, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev  
*Fame in Contemporary Israeli-European Affairs*

**Hila Zahavi**, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev  
*External Perceptions of the EU in Israel – The Role of Norms and Culture*

**Anders Persson**, Linnaeus University  
*The Two-State Impasse in Israel/Palestine – the EU Caught between Egalitarian Norms and Expansionist Realpolitik*

**Axinte Teofan Narcis**, SNSPA Bucharest  
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