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Event Agenda

Contemporary Antisemitism Haifa 2026

Monday, July 06, 2026

S1: PRE-PROGRAM OPENING EVENT: ANTISEMITISM, BOYCOTT AND THE ARTS This pre-program opening event features renowned Israeli author, academic and writing instructor Maya Tevet-Dayan, who was publicly boycotted as a writer

7:00 PM – 9:00 PM | Location: Tikotin Museum for Japanese Arts

This pre-program opening event features Israeli author and writing instructor Maya Tevet-Dayan, who was publicly boycotted as a writer on October 8, 2023. Drawing on her personal experience, she speaks directly about what it means to be an artist caught in cultural boycotts, and how politics enters the space of literature, teaching, and creative life. The conversation focuses on art, voice, and vulnerability in moments of pressure and exclusion.

In conversation with Dr. Shelly Zer-Zion, from The School of Arts, Culture, and Interpretation, University of Haifa.

Tuesday, July 07, 2026

Registration/Check-in

7:00 AM – 9:00 AM | Location: Student Building, Floor 0

P01: GLOBAL ANTISEMITISM

9:00 AM – 10:30 AM | Location: Student Building 001 - LIVESTREAM

- How the Palestinian Movement's Historic Refusal of a Jewish State Fuels Contemporary Antisemitism – A Perspective from Chilean Parliamentary Experience – Daniel Farcas (Bar Ilan University)
- Shared Struggles? Native American Solidarity with Palestine and the Politics of Comparison – Salome Richter (Trier University)
- Contemporary Antisemitism: Global Discourses, Political Dynamics, and Emerging Challenges: Exploring Identity, Technology, Education, and Society in the 21st Century – Manish Kumar Yadav (Adikeih, College of Business and Social Sciences, NHERI-Asmara University, Eritrea)
- Muslim Clerics on Zionism and Jews – Elad Ben David (INSS-ISGAP)

Chair: Anja Schmidt-Kleinert (Philips University of Marburg)

Youtube: <https://www.youtube.com/user/UniversityofHaifa>

Speakers



Daniel Farcas

researcher | Bar Ilan



Salome Richter

Research Assistant | Initiative Interdisziplinäre Antisemitismusforschung, Trier University



Manish Kumar Yadav



Elad Ben David

Chair



Anja Schmidt-Kleinert

Co-PI "Judging Terror" | Philipps-University Marburg

P02: MUSLIM ANTISEMITISM I

9:00 AM – 10:30 AM | Location: Student Building 101 - LIVESTREAM

- Antisemitism and Islam: On the Religious Dimension of October 7 – Matthias Küntzel (Independent Researcher and Book Author)
- Delegitimizing the Jewish State: How Al-Azhar Sunni Islam's Highest Authority Weaponised Religious Discourse Post-October 7 – Michael Barak (Reichman University)
- The Three-Headed Hydra: Antisemitism in Modern Arab Thought – Tom Khaled Würdemann (Heidelberg University of Jewish Studies)
- Jewish Threat Perceptions and the "Blame Game" over Islamist Antisemitism in Germany – Niklas Herrberg (Heinrich-Heine-University Düsseldorf, Germany)

Chair: Stephen Pogany (University of Warwick)

Youtube: <https://www.youtube.com/user/UniversityofHaifa>

Speakers



Matthias Küntzel

Political Scientist and Historian | Independent Researcher



Tom Khaled Würdemann

PhD Candidate | Heidelberg University for Jewish Studies



Michael Barak

Reichman University



Niklas Herrberg

Postdoc | Austrian Academy of Sciences

Chair



Stephen Pogany

Emeritus Professor | University of Warwick

P03: HOLOCAUST DENIAL AND DISTORTION

9:00 AM – 10:30 AM | Location: Student Building 107 - HYBRID

- Confronting Holocaust Denial and Post-October 7 Distortion: Educational Strategies, Digital Tools, and Pedagogical Responses – Stephanie Share (Comper Center, University of Haifa)
- Yad Vashem and Holocaust Education since October 2023: Where Do We Go from Here? – Yael Eaglstein (Yad Vashem) [with Sarah Levy]
- Online Holocaust Denial and the UNESCO Brochures – Yael Friedman (Educational Consultant)
- The History and Challenges of Countering Holocaust Denial on the Internet: The 30-Year Case of the PHDN Website and NGO – Gilles Karmasyn (PHDN, French NGO)
- From BBS to AI: Holocaust Denial and the Internet – Daniel Keren (University of Haifa)

Speaker (remote)



Gilles Karmasyn

PHDN's director | Pratique de l'Histoire et Dévoilements Négationnistes (PHDN)

Speakers



Yael Eaglstein

Head of the Gandel program for Australian Educators - Yad Vashem | Yad Vashem



Yael Friedman

Independent Educational Consultant



Daniel Keren

University of Haifa

Speaker and Chair



Stephanie Share

Researcher | Comper Center, University of Haifa, LCSCA, London

P04: ACADEMIA - POLICY

9:00 AM – 10:30 AM | Location: Student Building 202

- A Great Reawakening? Campus Antisemitism and the Academy's Response – Michael Feuer (George Washington University; University of Pennsylvania; Tel Aviv University)
- Intifada on the Hudson: Why Young Westerners Are Turning Away from Israel – Ofir Dayan (INSS)
- Antisemitism in India: Student Responses in Kolkata to October 7 and Its Aftermath – Sayan Lodh (Presidency University, Kolkata, India)
- Rehearsing the Future: Strategic Foresight as a Discipline for Jewish Agency Against Antisemitism – Barak Sella (Harvard Kennedy School, Belfer Center, Middle East Initiative)

Speakers



Michael Feuer

Professor of Education and International Affairs | George Washington University, U. Penn, Tel Aviv University



Ofir Dayan

Researcher; PhD student | INSS; university of Haifa



Sayan Lodh

PhD scholar | Presidency University



Barak Sella

Senior Research Fellow | Harvard Kennedy School, Belfer Center, Middle East Initiative

Chair



Khinraj Jangid

OP Jindal Global University

P05: ANTISEMITISM AND MEDIA

9:00 AM – 10:30 AM | Location: Student Building 274

- Contemporary Antisemitism through the Lens of Psychological Warfare – Ron Schleifer (Leon Reich Center)
- The British Media's Abuse of October 7 Memory – Adam Levick (CAMERA)
- Antisemitic mobilisation strategies in digital gaming culture – Constantin Winkler (Peace Research Institute Frankfurt (PRIF))
- The Representation of Israel in Pro-Palestinian Protest on TikTok – Meirav Iboga Rasumni Urşar (University of Haifa)

Speakers



Adam Levick

UK Media Research Manager at Committee for Accuracy in Middle East Reporting and Analysis | CAMERA UK



Ron Schleifer

Dr. | Leon Reich Center



Meirav Iboga Rasumni Urşar

University of Haifa

Speaker and Chair



Constantin Winkler

Peace Research Institute Frankfurt (PRIF)

P06: LIGHTNING SESSION I

9:00 AM – 10:30 AM | Location: Student Building 103

- Understanding Contemporary Antisemitism Through Its Ancient Roots: Methodological Approaches to Trans-Historical Narrative Analysis – Franziska Thureau (IIA University of Trier)
- The Limits of Universalism: A Critique of Universalist Anti-Zionism – Chantalle El Helou (University of Jena)

Chair: Chettupally Anvesh (University of Delhi)

Speakers



Franziska Thureau

IIA University of Trier



Chantalle El Helou

University of Jena

Chair



Chettupally Anvesh

Research Scholar (PhD) | University of Delhi

P07: DIGITAL ANTISEMITISM

9:00 AM – 10:30 AM | Location: Student Building 133 - HYBRID

- Measuring All the Online Antisemitism – Andre Oboler (Online Hate Prevention Institute)
- The Unspeaking Golem: Jewish Response to Algorithmic Antisemitism After October 7 – Maya Amrami (University of the Arts London)

- Spiritually Israeli: A Viral Trend Blurring the Line Between Anti-Zionism and Antisemitism – Liram Koblenz-Stenzler (International Institute of Counter Terrorism (ICT) at Reichman University; Brandeis University)
- A Retrospective of Narratives and Trends in the Brazilian Media Ecosystem: The Role of Gossip Pages in the Dissemination of Hate Narratives – Hannytta Medici (Confederação Israelita do Brasil; Laboratório de Política, Comportamento e Mídia)

Chair: Alla Marchenko (Hebrew University)

Speaker (remote)s



Andre Oboler

CEO | Online Hate Prevention Institute



Hannytta Medici

Speakers



Maya Amrami

Artist | University of the Arts London



Liram Koblenz-Stenzler

Head of Extremism & Antisemitism Desk | International Institute of Counter Terrorism

Chair



Alla Marchenko

Postdoctoral scholar | Hebrew University of Jerusalem

P08: ANTISEMITISM IN NORTHERN AND WESTERN EUROPE I

9:00 AM – 10:30 AM | Location: Student Building 134 - HYBRID

- Antisemitism in Swedish Schools: Teachers' Accounts of Encountering and Counteracting Antisemitism – Jennie Karlsson (University of Gothenburg)
- The Impact of October 7 on Dutch and Israeli Jews in the Netherlands – Senske de Vries (University of Amsterdam)
- A Light in the Dark: Young Jews Responding to Antisemitism – Paula A. Cáceres (University of Gothenburg)
- Alone in the Republic? The Statement "Je suis juif" in Post-October 7 France – Jonathan Sitbon (Tel Aviv University)

Speaker (remote)s



Jennie Karlsson

PhD Student | Department of education, communication and learning, University of Gothenburg



Paula A. Cáceres

PhD Student | University of Gothenburg



Senske de Vries

PA | University of Amsterdam

Speaker and Chair



Jonathan Sitbon

University Lecturer | Tel Aviv University

Coffee Break

10:30 AM – 11:00 AM

P09: NATURALIZING ANTISEMITISM

11:00 AM – 12:30 PM | Location: Student Building 001 - LIVESTREAM

- Antisemitism, Nationalism, and Authoritarianism in the International Climate Movement – Kathrin Renz (University of Passau)
- Climate Change and Antisemitism – Charlie Kaufhold (International Psychoanalytic University)
- Against the "Natural Order": Antisemitism, Anti-Vaxx Ideology, and Historical Revisionism – Isolde Vogel (Documentation Centre of Austrian Resistance)

Chair: Dr. Robert Litman (Gratz College)

Speakers



Kathrin Renz

PhD Student | University of Passau



Charlie Kaufhold

Postdoc Researcher | University of Vienna



Isolde Vogel

Researcher | Documentation Centre of Austrian Resistance

Chair



Robert Litman

P10: DEFINITIONS

11:00 AM – 12:30 PM | Location: Student Building 101 - LIVESTREAM

- The IHRA Definition of Antisemitism – Dina Porat (Tel Aviv University)
- Settler Colonial Studies: Ideology and Violence - Derek Spitz (One Essex Court)
- Israel, Antisemitism, and the Ideological Clash: Toward a New Theoretical Framework – Nikolay Tabah (Haifa University)

Chair: Stacey Aviva Clark (Gratz College)

Speakers



Derek Spitz KC



Dina Porat

Prof. | Tel Aviv university



Nikolay Tabah

Haifa University

Chair



Stacey Aviva Clark

PhD Student Antisemitism Studies | Gratz College

P11: ANTISEMITISM AND POLARIZATION I

11:00 AM – 12:30 PM | Location: Student Building 202

- Antisemitic Conspiracy: The Bridge from Far-Left to Far-Right Populism – Mark Rusling (Antisemitism Policy Trust)
- The Ideology of “Ordinary People”? An Analysis of Antisemitism as an Ideological Basis of the Corona Protests in Vienna – Carl Dewald (Europa-Universität Flensburg)
- Common Identity or Relationship of Convenience? – Left-Wing Identity Constructions in the Struggle for the Palestinian Cause – Nina Heinke (University Leipzig)
- UK Policy in the Middle East: Defend British Interests, Not the Jews – Jonathan Silberman (Pathfinder Books)

Speakers



Nina Heinke

Student | University Leipzig



Jonathan Silberman

Director | Pathfinder Books



Carl Dewald

Research assistant & PhD candidate | Europa-Universität Flensburg



Mark Rusling

Head of Training | UK Antisemitism Policy Trust

Chair



Stephanie Share

Researcher | Comper Center, University of Haifa, LCSCA, London

P12: HISTORY REVISITED

11:00 AM – 12:30 PM | Location: Student Building 274

- Comrades Who Were Not Antisemites: The Story of Indian Socialists and Israel – Khinvraj Jangid (OP Jindal Global University)
- The German "Musterknaben" – The 68th Movement as Part of German Nation-Building without Jews – Lennard Schmidt (Initiative Interdisziplinäre Antisemitismusforschung (IIA) / University of Trier)
- Constructing the ‘Criminal Jew’: Crime Press Narratives in Nazi and Communist Hungary – Borbala Kriza (United States Holocaust Memorial Museum)

• Perceptions of Israel in the Federal Republic of Germany (1949 to Today): Changes in Attitudes and Shifts in Patterns of Prejudice – Tim Alexander Brockmann (Ruprecht Karl University of Heidelberg, Germany)

Chair: Arielle Nakdimon (Gratz College)

Speakers



Khinvraj Jangid

OP Jindal Global University



Lennard Schmidt

research assistant at the University of Trier | University of Trier/ Initiative Interdisziplinäre Antisemitismusforschung



Borbala Kriza

Eotvos Lorant University ELTE Budapest



Tim Alexander Brockmann

Visiting Scholar/Postdoctoral Fellow | Ruprecht Karls University of Heidelberg

Chair



Sara Hirschhorn

Lecturer and Senior Research Fellow | University of Haifa · Full-time

P13: GREECE & TURKEY

11:00 AM – 12:30 PM | Location: Student Building 134 - HYBRID

- Antisemitism to Philosemitism: Civilizational Realignment in the Greek Far-Right – Neil Bar (University of Haifa)
- "The Most Worrying Times after the Holocaust": Greek Antisemitism, Experience, and Politics, 1974–1991 – Achilleas Fotakis (University of the Aegean)
- Anti-Semitism in the Media and Political Discourse in 1980s Greece – Xenia Saratsioti (National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, EKPA)
- Antisemitism and Anti-Zionism in Contemporary Turkey: Anti-Zionist Narratives, Social Media, and Postcolonial Dimensions – Efrat Aviv (Bar Ilan University)

Speaker (remote)



Xenia Saratsioti

PhD Candidate | National and Kapodistrian University of Athens

Speakers



Achilleas Fotakis

Assistant Professor | University of the Aegean · Full-time



Efrat Aviv

Associate Professor | Bar Ilan University

Speaker and Chair



Neil Bar

Comper Center, University of Haifa

P14: HOW NATIONAL FACULTY NETWORKS ARE COMBATting CAMPUS ANTISEMITISM: A ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION

11:00 AM – 12:30 PM | Location: Student Building 107 - HYBRID

"Post-secondary institutions are the front lines of antisemitism" is a headline that could be written to describe campuses around the world. Whereas much of current antisemitic and antizionist discourses are transnational, campus climates within and across countries are shaped by regional contexts that include government (in)action, local concerns, historic context, union activism, and personalities. How are faculty coordinating their efforts to address antisemitism and anti-zionism at a national level? How can these efforts address rising antisemitism while strengthening the core values and mission of the academy? Join representatives from faculty networks from Canada, Australia, the United States, Germany, and France who will speak about their own national contexts, the particular challenges they face, strategies and tools that have been effective, and their concerns for the future. This roundtable will include a "town hall" component inviting attendees to ask questions of the panelists and share their own national experiences. Cary Kogan (NECA)

Deidre Butler (NECA)

Kent D. Harber (AEN)

Ayal Feinberg (AEN)

Dani Kranz (Tikvah Institute)

Suzanne D. Rutland (Australian Academic Alliance Against Antisemitism (5A))

Céline Masson (Réseau de Recherche sur le Racisme et l'Antisémitisme (RRA), France)

Martine Benoit (Réseau de Recherche sur le Racisme et l'Antisémitisme (RRA), France)

Speaker (remote)s



Cary Kogan

Université d'Ottawa/University of Ottawa | Professor



Deidre Butler

Associate Professor | Carleton University



Valérie Boussard

Full professor | Université Paris Nanterre



Marion Feldman

Pr Clinical Psychology | Paris Nanterre University

Speakers



Dani Kranz

Head of Research Department | Tikvah Institute



Kent Harber

Professor I | Department of Psychology, Rutgers University at Newark



Ayal Feinberg

Gratz College | Director of the Center for Holocaust and Antisemitism Studies



Suzanne Rutland

Professor Emerita | University of Sydney

Chair



David Hirsh

Professor of Sociology | Goldsmiths, University of London

INTERDISCIPLINARY APPROACHES TO ANTISEMITISM I

11:00 AM – 12:30 PM | Location: Student Building 133 - HYBRID

- Mass Atrocity Claims in Reporting on Israel: A Comparative Media Analysis across German, British, and American News Outlets – Jonas Hessenauer (Tikvah Institut; Berlin School of Economics and Law) and Moritz Golombek (Tikvah Institut)
- Why AI and Social Media Make Antisemitism Worse: A Framework and a Case Study on the Post-Truth Information Environment – Gary Geipel (School of Defense and Strategic Studies, Missouri State University)
- Towards Theorizing Workplace Antisemitism – Barbara Nussbaum (Kaplan Centre for Jewish Studies, University of Cape Town, South Africa)
- Introducing Agnotology in the Study of Contemporary Antisemitism in Germany – Dani Kranz (Tikvah Institut, Berlin)

Speaker (remote)s



Moritz Golombek

Research Associate | Tikvah Institut



Jonas Hessenauer

Research Associate | Tikvah Institut



Dani Kranz

Head of Research Department | Tikvah Institute



Barbara Nussbaum

Honorary research affiliate | Kaplan Centre for Jewish Studies, UCT



Gary Geipel

Lunch

12:30 PM – 1:00 PM

S02: INTRODUCING CASA: A HOME FOR CONTEMPORARY ANTISEMITISM SCHOLARSHIP

1:00 PM – 2:00 PM | Location: Student Building 001 - LIVESTREAM

Speakers



David Hirsh

Professor of Sociology | Goldsmiths, University of London



Ayal Feinberg

Gratz College | Director of the Center for Holocaust and Antisemitism Studies



David Barak-Gorodetsky

Director | Comper Center, University of Haifa

S03: ANTISEMITISM AND SPORTS

2:00 PM – 3:30 PM | Location: Student Building 001 - LIVESTREAM

Speakers



David Hirsh

Professor of Sociology | Goldsmiths, University of London



Adam Dickson

Postgraduate Fellow | London Centre for the Study of Contemporary Antisemitism

Chair



Oren Dvoskin

Project Manager, AI & Antisemitism | Comper Center, University of Haifa

P15: USA/POLITICS

2:00 PM – 3:30 PM | Location: Student Building 101 - LIVESTREAM

- Continuities and Discontinuities in Anti-Jewish Politics: A Constructivist Approach – Shaul Kelner (Vanderbilt University)
- Chicago 1967 to Chicago 2024: Israel, Radicalism, and War from the National Conference for New Politics to the Democratic National Convention – Sara Hirschhorn (University of Haifa)
- The Relationship between Populism and Antisemitism: New Data from the United States – Chad Alan Goldberg (University of Wisconsin-Madison)
- Antisemitic Surges in the United States Track Military Campaigns Against Israel – Michael Barlev (Arizona State University)
- Chair - David Barak-Gorodetsky (University of Haifa)

Speakers



Shaul Kelner

Professor of Jewish Studies and Sociology | Vanderbilt University



Sara Hirschhorn

Lecturer and Senior Research Fellow | University of Haifa · Full-time



Chad Alan Goldberg

Martindale-Bascom Professor of Sociology | University of Wisconsin–Madison



Michael Barlev

Research Associate Professor | Arizona State University

Chair



David Barak-Gorodetsky

Director | Comper Center, University of Haifa

P16: ZIONISM AND ANTIZIONISM (JNF-KKL)

2:00 PM – 3:30 PM | Location: Student Building 134 - HYBRID

- Supersessionism 2.0: The Hermeneutic Jewish State. A Historian's Perspective on Antisemitism after October 7 – James Wald (Hampshire College)
- What Al Hiwar Tells Us About Anti-Zionism and the West – Marc Goldberg (CST)
- The Zionist Answer: Reclaiming Modernity to Confront Contemporary Antisemitism – Ofer Idels (University of Calgary)
- Definitions in Conflict: How Different Definitions of Zionism Translate into Missed Conversations – Wendy Kalman (Hadassah, The Women's Zionist Organization of America)

Speaker (remote)



Wendy Kalman

Director, Engagement Resources | Hadassah, The Women's Zionos Organization of America

Speakers



James Wald

professor (emeritus), history | Hampshire College



Marc Goldberg

Director of Investigations | CST



Ofer Idels

Belzberg Fellow | University of Calgary

Chair



Amit Assis

Institute for the Study of Zionism and Settlement | KKL-JNF

P17: PSYCHOLOGY

2:00 PM – 3:30 PM | Location: Student Building 133 - HYBRID

- Applying Psychological Scientific Theory and Methods to the Study of Antisemitism – Sarah Friedman (The George Washington University)
- The Normalization of Anti-Jewish Discrimination through Antisemitism Accommodation and Anti-Zionist Litmus Tests: Results from Psychological Experiments – Maor Shani (Osnabrueck University)
- The Psychology of Propaganda: A Trauma-Informed Analysis of Indoctrination and Radicalization – Malka Shaw (Keshet Shalom Projects / Private Practice)
- The War for Our Brains: How Antisemitic Propaganda Hijacks the Brain – Orli Peter (Israel Healing Initiative)

Speaker (remote)s



Sarah Friedman

Research Professor | The George Washington University



Orli Peter

CEO | Israel Healing Initiative

Speaker



Maor Shani

Osnabrück University

Speaker and Chair



Malka Shaw

Wurzweiler School Social Work

P18: CANADA - CAMPUS

2:00 PM – 3:30 PM | Location: Student Building 107 - HYBRID

- Anti-Israel Activism at Canadian Faculty Associations – Mary-Michelle DeCoste (University of Guelph)
- Faculty Experiences of Antisemitism on North American Campuses Post-October 7 – Cary Kogan (University of Ottawa)
- Union Dues? Faculty Share Their Experiences of Unions and Antisemitism on Canadian Campuses – Deidre Butler (Carleton University)
- Further Reflections on the Gentleman's Agreement: A Qualitative Study on How Jewish and Non-Jewish Professors Navigate Stigma, Spoiled Identity, and Social Contracts on Canadian Campuses – Talia Rockman (University of Ottawa)

Speaker (remote)s



Deidre Butler

Associate Professor | Carleton University



Cary Kogan

Université d'Ottawa/University of Ottawa | Professor

Speakers



Mary-Michelle DeCoste

Associate Professor | University of Guelph



Talia Rockman

MA Student | University of Ottawa

Chair



Peter Biro

Senior Fellow | Raoul Wallenberg Centre for Human Rights

P19: ACADEMIC FREEDOM AFTER OCTOBER 7

2:00 PM – 3:30 PM | Location: Student Building 274

- "I Just Want to Leave Canada": Campus Antisemitism and the Mental Health Impacts on Canadian Faculty – Dana Strauss (University of Ottawa)
- Balancing Clashing Scholars' Academic Freedoms – Sharona Goldenberg (Netanya Academic College)
- Framing the Protests on US Campuses in 2023-2025 by „The Chronicle of Higher Education“ – Roxana Reichman (Gordon Academic College, Israel)

Speakers



Dana Strauss

PhD Student | University of Ottawa



Sharona Aharoni-Goldenberg

Associate professor | Netanya Academic College



Roxana Reichman

Vice President and Dean of the Graduate School of Education | Gordon Academic College, Israel

Chair



Ben M. Freeman

Author | Comper Center

P20: RUSSIAN/FSU

2:00 PM – 3:30 PM | Location: Student Building 103

- Antisemitic Narratives and the Instrumental Use of the Jewish Issue in Russian Propaganda and Public Discourse against the Backdrop of the Russia–Ukraine War and the "Iron Swords" War – Leonid Gershovich (Independent; London Centre for the Study of Contemporary Antisemitism)
- From the Volga River to the Caspian Sea: Online Anti-Zionist Narratives among Russia's Muslim-Majority Ethnic Communities amid the Gaza War – Petr Oskolkov (Ariel University)
- Silence and Symbol: Post-Soviet Jews and the Limits of German Erinnerungskultur – Marija Petrovic (HFBK Hamburg)
- Where Populism and Anti-Populism Come Together: The Role of Antisemitism in a "Social Protest" of the 2010s – Olga Reznikova (University of Zurich)

Speakers



Leonid Gershovich

independent researcher | Independent



Petr Oskolkov

Ariel University



Marija Petrovic

PhD researcher | HFBK



Olga Reznikova

Research Assistant | UZH Zurich

Chair



Elisa Kriza

Senior Lecturer (Privatdozentin) | Otto-Friedrich-Universität Bamberg

Coffee Break

3:30 PM – 4:00 PM

S04: BE A REFUSNIK: A JEWISH STUDENTS' SURVIVAL GUIDE – BOOK LAUNCH

4:00 PM – 5:30 PM | Location: Student Building 001 - LIVESTREAM

Speakers



Natan Sharansky

Former Israeli Minister and Head of the Jewish Agency



David Hazony

Director, Z3 Institute



Izabella Tabarovsky

e Comper Center, University of Haifa

P21: ANTISEMITISM AND EDUCATION: FROM GOAL TO OUTCOME - TAGLIT-BIRTHRIGHT ISRAEL PANEL

4:00 PM – 5:30 PM | Location: Student Building 101 - LIVESTREAM

This panel, led by expert Taglit-Birthright Israel educator Dr. Zohar Raviv and award-winning journalist Zvika Klein, explores the critical intersection of educational strategy and the fight against global antisemitism. Klein brings to the discussion his extensive work at *The Jerusalem Post*, where his investigative reporting on the lived experience of antisemitism has profoundly shaped the global discourse on Jewish safety and identity. Together, the speakers examine how to transform pedagogical goals into effective, real-world outcomes that combat hatred and foster a deeper, more resilient understanding of Jewish identity.

Participants:

- Zohar Raviv
- Zvika Klein
- Lily Minkoff

Speakers



Zohar Raviv

Taglit-Birthright Israel | VP of Educational Strategy



Zvika Klein

Chief Editor | Jerusalem Post



Lily Minkoff

Birthright Intern | Birthright Onward program

P22: MUSLIM ANTISEMITISM II

4:00 PM – 5:30 PM | Location: Student Building 134 - HYBRID

- Beyond "Imported Antisemitism": Unmasking Ideological Underpinnings of Antisemitism among Muslims in Germany. Insights from the MiD Survey – Jannik Fischer (University of Hamburg) and Cemal Öztürk (University Duisburg-Essen)
- The Politics of Moral Inversion: Comparing Rhetorical Strategies in Right-Wing, Progressive, and Islamist Antisemitism – Seyedeh Faezeh Alavi (London Center for the Study of Contemporary Antisemitism)
- Challenging Muslim Antisemitism Theologically – Iqbal Akhtar (Florida International University)

Speaker (remote)s



Iqbal Akhtar

Associate Professor | FIU



Seyedeh Faezeh Alavi

London Center for the Study of Contemporary Antisemitism



Cemal Öztürk

Research Associate | University of Duisburg-Essen



Jannik Fischer

Research Associate | University of Hamburg

Chair



Aharon Ariel Lavi

Managing Director | The Jerusalem Interfaith Center

P23: CHRISTIAN ANTISEMITISM

4:00 PM – 5:30 PM | Location: Student Building 107 - HYBRID

- A Mandate for Pope Leo XIV: Confronting Supersessionism, Antisemitism, and Ethnonationalist Replacement Theory – Stephen Sussman (Barry University) and Carole Huberman (Barry University)
- "A Country That Works against Many of Our Christian Values": Analyses of Christian-Signed Media Coverage of the State of Israel in Winter 2023–24 – Kai Schubert (Berlin School of Economics and Law)
- "Seed of Satan, Nation of God": Philip E. J. Monson, Kingdom Bible College, and the Making of Contemporary Christian Identity Antisemitism – Alon Milwicki (American University)
- Christian antisemitism: contemporary traits and religio-political implications in a post-October 7th context – Jules Freeman (London Centre for Study of Contemporary Antisemitism (LCSCA))

Speaker (remote)s



Stephen Sussman

Professor of Public Administration | Barry University



Carole Huberman

Professor of Public Administration | Barry University



Kai Schubert

Researcher | Ruhr University of Bochum



Alon Milwicki

co-producer | elusive films

Speaker and Chair



Jules Freeman

Researcher & Strategic Advisor | LCSCA

P24: ANTISEMITISM AND POLARIZATION II

4:00 PM – 5:30 PM | Location: Student Building 133 - HYBRID

- The Roles of Perceived Status and Race in Right- and Left-Wing Antisemitism – Jeffrey Sherman (Department of Psychology, University of California, Davis)
- The Emergence of Anti-Semitism in Left-Wing Circles: Findings on the Underestimated Presence of Resentment in Left-Wing Circles – Oliver Decker (Else-Frenkel-Brunswik-Institut, Universität Leipzig)
- Antisemitism as an Interpretive System – Joanne Strasser (Gratz College and LCSCA)
- Antisemitism in Australia: Before and After Bondi – Nikki Marczak (Executive Council of Australian Jewry)

Speaker (remote)s



Joanne Strasser

London Centre for the Study of Contemporary Antisemitism



Nikki Marczak

Assistant Research Director | Executive Council of Australian Jewry



Oliver Decker

Else-Frenkel-Brunswik-Institute, University Leipzig



Jeffrey Sherman

Professor, Principal Investigator | Social Cognition Lab, UC Davis

Chair



Ofir Dayan

Researcher; PhD student | INSS; university of Haifa

P25: ANTISEMITISM IN NORTHERN AND WESTERN EUROPE II

4:00 PM – 5:30 PM | Location: Student Building 274

- Contemporary Antisemitism in the Nordic Countries: A Case Study of Iceland – Mercédesz Czimbalmos (Åbo Akademi University) and Vibeke Moe (Norwegian Center for Holocaust and Minority Studies)
- From Margin to Mainstream: Cultural Strategies Against Antisemitism in a Nordic Context – Ester Nafstad (Kos & Kaos – The Nordic Jewish Network)

Chair: Mercédesz Czimbalmos

Speakers



Vibeke Moe

Senior Researcher | Norwegian Center for Holocaust and Minority Studies



Ester Nafstad

Deputy director | Kos & Kaos - The Nordic Jewish Network

Speaker and Chair



Mercédesz Czimbalmos

researcher | Åbo Akademi University

P26: ASIA

4:00 PM – 5:30 PM | Location: Student Building 202

- Casteism and Antisemitism: Comparative Frameworks of Structural Oppression – Chettupally Anvesh (University of Delhi)
- Countering Antisemitism and Anti-Zionism as Taiwan's Strategic Signaling Post-October 2023 – Doron Feldman (The Clements)

Center for National Security, The University of Texas at Austin)

• Educating Against Anti-Semitism: Holocaust Teaching and Awareness Gaps in India – Aditya Gulati (Council on Energy Environment and Water (CEEW))

Chair: Khinraj Jangid

Speakers



Chettupally Anvesh

Research Scholar (PhD) | University of Delhi



Aditya Gulati

Chair



Khinraj Jangid

OP Jindal Global University

P27: IRAN & THE GULF

4:00 PM – 5:30 PM | Location: Student Building 103

• German-Iranian Academic Relations, Antisemitism and the Limits of Academic Freedom – Jahne Nicolaisen (Mideast Freedom Forum Berlin)

• Talmudic Rituals: Qatar's Use of Antisemitism Masked as Western Discourse – Ariel Admoni (Bar Ilan University)

Chair and Respondent: Stephan Grigat, Center for Antisemitism- and Racism Studies at Catholic University of Applied Science NRW – Aachen & Cologne

Speakers



Jahne Nicolaisen

Program Director, Political Scientist | Mideast Freedom Forum Berlin



Ariel Admoni

Research fellow | Jerusalem Institute for Strategy and Security (JISS)

Chair and Respondent



Stephan Grigat

Professor, Director | Center for the Study of Antisemitism and Racism [CARS], Catholic University of Applied Sciences North Rhi...

S05: OPENING GALLA EVENT

6:00 PM – 9:00 PM | Location: Hecht Hall, Main Building

The program will commence with **Dr. David Barak-Gorodetsky**, Director of the Elizabeth and Tony Comper Center for the Study of Antisemitism and Racism at the University of Haifa, serving as the Master of Ceremonies to guide the evening's proceedings. The opening segment features formal greetings by **Prof. Gur Alroey**, President of the University of Haifa; **Mr. Eyal Ostrinsky**, Chairman of KKL-JNF; and **Prof. Irwin Cotler**, Founder and International Chair of the Raoul Wallenberg Centre for Human Rights and former Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada.

Following these opening remarks, we will be awarding a "Lifetime Achievement Award" to **Prof. Dina Porat**, Chief Historian of Yad Vashem and Professor Emeritus of Jewish History at Tel Aviv University. The award ceremony will be followed by a keynote address by **Ambassador (ret.) Prof. Deborah Lipstadt**, Distinguished University Professor of Modern Jewish History and Holocaust Studies at Emory University and former U.S. Special Envoy to Monitor and Combat Antisemitism.

To conclude the program, final closing notes on behalf of the Contemporary Antisemitism Studies Association (CASA) will be delivered by **Dr. David Hirsh**, Academic Director and CEO of the London Centre for the Study of Contemporary Antisemitism and Senior Lecturer in Sociology at Goldsmiths, University of London, alongside **Dr. Ayal Feinberg**, Director of the Center for Holocaust Studies and Human Rights and Associate Professor of Political Science and Antisemitism Studies at Gratz College, and **Jacob Dallal**, Managing Director of the Comper Center for the Study of Antisemitisms and Racism

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David Barak-Gorodetsky

Director | Comper Center, University of Haifa

Greetingss



Gur Alroey

President, University of Haifa



Eyal Ostrinsky
Chairman | JNF-KKL



Irwin Cotler
International Chair | Raoul Wallenberg Centre for Human Rights

Lifetime Award Recipient



Dina Porat
Prof. | Tel Aviv university

Keynote Speaker



Deborah Lipstadt
Amb. (ret). Prof, Emory University

Closing Notes - CASAs



David Hirsh
Professor of Sociology | Goldsmiths, University of London



Ayal Feinberg
Gratz College | Director of the Center for Holocaust and Antisemitism Studies



Jacob Dallal
Managing Director, Comper Center | University of Haifa

DINNER

6:00 PM – 7:00 PM

GREETINGS, LIFETIME AWARD AND KEYNOTE

7:00 PM – 8:30 PM

Wednesday, July 08, 2026

P28: GENOCIDE ACCUSATIONS

9:00 AM – 10:30 AM | Location: Student Building 001 - LIVESTREAM

- The PLO and the Roots of the Genocide Accusation against Israel – Norman Goda (University of Florida)
- The Elusive Genocide: Gaza through International Law and History – Joel Kotek (Jonathas Institute)
- Antisemitism in Settler Colonial Studies and "The Written Resistance" – André Swanström (Åbo Akademi University, Finland)

Speakers



Norman Goda
Professor | University of Florida



Joel Kotek
Jonathas Institute



André Swanström
Åbo Akademi University

Chair



Gerald Steinberg
Professor, Political Studies | Bar Ilan University

P29: ANTIZIONISM

9:00 AM – 10:30 AM | Location: Student Building 101 - LIVESTREAM

- Protocols of the Elders of Anti-Zion: The Global Conspiracy Against the Jews – Andrew Pessin (Connecticut College)
- On Jew Hatred – Rona Kaufman (Thomas R. Kline School of Law of Duquesne University)
 - American Antizionism (Shaul Kelner, Vanderbilt University)

Respondent: David Hirsh

Chair: Derek Spitz

Speakers



Andrew Pessin

Professor of Philosophy | Connecticut College



Rona Kaufman

Associate Professor of Law | Thomas R. Kline School of Law of Duquesne University



Shaul Kelner

Professor of Jewish Studies and Sociology | Vanderbilt University

Respondent



David Hirsh

Professor of Sociology | Goldsmiths, University of London

Chair



Derek Spitz KC

P30: ANTISEMITISM IN HEALTHCARE

9:00 AM – 10:30 AM | Location: Student Building 103

- Harmful Medicine: Ethical Legacies of National Socialism and the Resurgence of Antisemitism in Contemporary Healthcare – Tessa Chelouche (Rappaport Faculty of Medicine, Technion Institute, Haifa, Israel)
- Addressing Antisemitism in Maternity Care, and How Framing This Work as Cultural Safety, Cultural Competence, and Anti-Racist Can Affect Change – Laura Godfrey-Isaacs (Shifrah UK; NHS Jewish Staff Network; Jewish Medical Association UK)
- Midwives Shouting "From the River to the Sea": Reflecting on the Roots of Midwives' Political Stands Globally After October 7th – Sara Cohen Shabot (The Philosophy Department, University of Haifa)

Speakers



Tessa Chelouche

lecturer | Rapport Faculty of Medicine, Haifa



Laura Godfrey-Isaacs

Midwife, Chair of Shifrah UK | Shifrah UK



Sara Cohen Shabot

Associate Professor, The Philosophy Department | University of Haifa

Chair



Dikla Yogev

Assistant Professor | Florida International University

P31: LIVED EXPERIENCES OF ANTISEMITISM I

9:00 AM – 10:30 AM | Location: Student Building 133 - HYBRID

- The Antisemitic Crucible and the Spiky Student: The Convergence of Neurodiversity and Antisemitism on the U.S. College Campus – Liz Berger (Gratz College)
- Memories of Dictatorship: Jewish Perspectives – Sarah Valente (Baruch College, City University of New York)
- Experiences of Jewish Students at the University since October 7, 2023: The Deployment of an "Interstitial" Hatred/Antisemitism - "Malaise" and Institutional Failure – Marion Feldman (Paris Nanterre University)
- Law, Policy, and IHRA on Campus: Responding to Antisemitism in the U.S. and U.K. After October 7 – Amira Halperin (Britain Israel Communications and Research Centre - BICOM) and Stephen Sussman (Barry University)

Speaker (remote)s



Liz Berger

PhD Student Antisemitism Studies | Gratz College



Sarah Valente

Interim Director, Wasserman Jewish Studies Center, Sub Assistant Professor in MLCL | Baruch College, City University of New Y...



Marion Feldman

Pr Clinical Psychology | Paris Nanterre University



Stephen Sussman

Professor of Public Administration | Barry University

Speaker



Amira Halperin

Senior Research Associate; Fellow | BICOM; LCSCA

Chair



Sagit Sade Attia

National Sr. Director of Academic Action | Israeli American Council

P32: LATIN AMERICA I

9:00 AM – 10:30 AM | Location: Student Building 107 - HYBRID

- Hybrid Extremes: Soviet Legacies and Imported Right-Wing Tropes in Contemporary Argentine Antisemitic Discourse – Marcos Mosenson (Østfold University College)
- Brazil and Israel after October 7: Lula's Foreign Policy and the "New Antisemitism" Debate – Igor Sabino (StandWithUs Brasil)
- Latin America and the Globalization of Antizionism – Christoph Joppich (University of Passau)
- Monitoring Antisemitism in Contemporary Brazil: Methodological Innovations, Institutional Responses, and Global Relevance – Anelise Fróes (CONIB - Israelite Confederation of Brazil)

Speaker (remote)



Fabián Mosenson

Østfold University College

Speakers



Christoph Joppich

PhD Student | University of Passau, Chair of Sociology



Anelise Fróes

Senior Researcher | CONIB

Speaker and Chair



Igor Sabino

Content Manager | StandWithUs Brasil

P33: THEORY AND CULTURE OF ANTIZIONISM I

9:00 AM – 10:30 AM | Location: Student Building 202

- "Antisemitism as a 'social construction' in critical discourse - Balazs Berkovits (Comper Center, University of Haifa; Institute for the Study of Global Antisemitism (ISGAP); OR-ZSE)
- Figurations and defigurations, encryptions and decipherments of "the Jewish": a semiological critique – Jonathan Schmidt-Dominé (Goethe-Universität Frankfurt / Franz-Rosenzweig Minerva Center Jerusalem)
- The Anti-Zionist Theopolitics of Substitution: From Christian Supersessionism to Contemporary Forms of Antisemitism – Matheus Alexandre (Federal University of Ceará)

Speakers



Balazs Berkovits

Researcher | Comper Center, University of Haifa



Jonathan Schmidt-Dominé

PhD candidate | Goethe-Universität Frankfurt / FRMRC Jerusalem



Matheus Alexandre

PhD Student | Federal University of Ceará - Brazil

Chair



Peter Biro

Senior Fellow | Raoul Wallenberg Centre for Human Rights

P34: POPULAR CULTURE

9:00 AM – 10:30 AM | Location: Student Building 274

- Snatching Victory from the Jaws of Defeat: Israel in Eurovision Post–October 7– Sharon Shahaf (Gratz College)
- Stonewall was an Intifada? Antisemitism in queerfeminist LGBTIQ+ discourse – Leor Baldus (University of Marburg)
- The Post–October 7 Antisemitism Ecosystem: How Social Media Changed the Conversation – Nir Kaplan (FOA (Fighting Online Antisemitism))

Speakers



Nir Kaplan

Deputy General Director for regulation affairs | Israel Hotel Association



Leor Baldus

Research | University of Marburg

Speaker and Chair



Sharon Shahaf

Affiliate Faculty | Gratz College

P35: LIGHTNING SESSION II

9:00 AM – 10:30 AM | Location: Student Building 134 - HYBRID

- Jews and the Oppression Binary – Stephen Berk (Gratz College)
- The Revolution Will Not Be Televised but It Will Be Tweeted – Diana Diner (Gratz College)
- The Epistemic Jurisprudence of Recognition: Antisemitism, Legal Invisibility, and the Architecture of Harm – Esmeralda Famutimi Valdez (Gratz College)
- Positive Jewish Identity as a Complement? A Reflection Inspired by Jonathan Sacks – Jordan Jacobs (Universidad Complutense de Madrid)
- Uncovering the Nature of the Beast: The Role of Values, Beliefs, and Feelings in the Spread and Maintenance of Antisemitism – Megan Hollinger (University of Ottawa)

Speaker (remote)s



Stephen Berk

PhD Student | Gratz College



Diana Diner

Zionist Educator | Hadassah, The Woman's Zionist Organization of America



Jordan Jacobs

Universidad Complutense de Madrid



Megan Hollinger

Doctoral Candidate and Part-time Professor | University of Ottawa



Esmeralda O. Famutimi Valdez

Attorney and PhD Student | Gratz College

Chair



Stephanie Share

Researcher | Comper Center, University of Haifa, LCSCA, London

P36: PUBLIC POLICY

10:45 AM – 12:15 PM | Location: Student Building 001 - LIVESTREAM

- Jewish Response to Antisemitism – Avi Benlolo (The Abraham Global Peace Initiative)
- Has a Rubicon Been Crossed? Scenarios for Jewish Life in the West Post-October 7 – Jacob Dallal (Comper Center, University of Haifa)
- Beyond Hatred: Mapping Pro-Jewish and Pro-Israel Allies in the Global Struggle Against Antisemitism – Aharon Ariel Lavi (The Ohr Torah Interfaith Center)
- Two Camps, One Front: Aligning Jewish Conservatism and Liberalism Against Antisemitism – Inbal Ratz Gilmore (Yachad Israel-Breaking Barriers Initiative)

Speakers



Avi Benlolo

Chairman and CEO | The Abraham Global Peace Initiative



Aharon Ariel Lavi

Managin Director | The Jerusalem Interfaith Center



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Speaker and Chair



Jacob Dallal

Managing Director, Comper Center | University of Haifa

P37: ERASIVE ANTISEMITISM

10:45 AM – 12:15 PM | Location: Student Building 101 - LIVESTREAM

- Erasing Jewish History: The Denial of Middle Eastern Jewish Heritage and the Colonial Framing of Israel – Marc Neugröschel (St Edmund's College, University of Cambridge)
- The Battle Over Jewish Identity: Erasive Jew-Hate in the British Left – Ben Freeman (Comper Center for the Study of Antisemitism)
- Hate and Morality – Tanja Ehmann (Catholic University of Applied Sciences Berlin, KHSB)

Speakers



Marc Neugröschel

Research Fellow | Center for Law and Antisemitism, College of Management Academic Studies, Rishon LeZion, Israel



Ben M. Freeman

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Tanja Ehmann

Scientific Staff | Catholic University of Applied Sciences (KHSB)

Chair



Katie Posey

Ph.D. Student Antisemitism Studies | Gratz College

P38: THEORY AND CULTURE OF ANTIZIONISM II

10:45 AM – 12:15 PM | Location: Student Building 107 - HYBRID

- Unlearning Zionism: A Critique – Daniel Burghardt, Nina Rabuza (University of Innsbruck)
- Americanizing the Holocaust: Interpretations of the Holocaust and Nazism in Genocide Studies and Settler Colonial Studies – Hendrik Hebauf (Bucerius Institute Haifa)
- The Adoption of Asymmetric Warfare Strategies into Campus Discourse and Activism: How the Semantic Appropriation of Terrorist Strategy is Used to Normalize Antisemitism and Anti-Zionism on Campus – Lawrence Amsel (Columbia University)

Speaker (remote)s



Daniel Burghardt

Professor | Universität Innsbruck



Nina Rabuza

Research assistant | University of Innsbruck



Hendrik Hebauf

Currently in transition | Hebauf



Lawrence Amsel

Associate Professor of Psychiatry, Columbia University | Columbia University

Chair



Balazs Berkovits

Researcher | Comper Center, University of Haifa

P39: POLITICAL FRAMINGS OF ANTISEMITISM

10:45 AM – 12:15 PM | Location: Student Building 202

- Framing Antisemitism within German Political Youth and Student Organisations (1989–2025) – Tina Adcock (Hebrew University of Jerusalem)
- Blaming Israel and Praising Iran: Antisemitic Conspiracy Narratives after October 7 in the German-Speaking Far Right – Nikolai Schreiter (University of Passau)
- Nick Fuentes, E. Michael Jones, and the Paradoxes of Catholic Anti-Judaism in America – Gustavo Guzmán (Free University of Berlin)

Speakers



Tina Adcock

PhD Student | Hebrew University of Jerusalem



Nikolai Schreiter

Research Associate | University of Passau

Speaker and Chair



Gustavo Guzmán

Postdoctoral Fellow | Center for the Study of Antisemitism, New York University

P40: POST-COLONIALISM

10:45 AM – 12:15 PM | Location: Student Building 133 - HYBRID

- Antizionist Ideological Capture of Indigenous Movements – Sheree Trotter (Indigenous Embassy Jerusalem)
- Post-Colonialism and Antisemitism: Al-Haq and Human Rights Watch as Templates – Gerald Steinberg (Bar Ilan University)
- Palestinian Victimization and Contemporary Antisemitism – David Matas (B'nai Brith Canada)
- Images of "Palestine" in Contemporary Israel-Related Antisemitism – Tim Stosberg (University of Passau)

Speaker (remote)s



Sheree Trotter

Director | Indigenous Embassy Jerusalem



David Matas

International human rights lawyer | Senior honorary counsel, B'nai Brith Canada

Speaker



Gerald Steinberg

Professor, Political Studies | Bar Ilan University

Speaker and Chair



Tim Stosberg

PhD Student | University Passau

P41: GERMANY

10:45 AM – 12:15 PM | Location: Student Building 134 - HYBRID

- Negative Symbiosis Revisited: German–Israeli Encounters after October 7 – Hanna Brögeler (University of Hannover)
- The Return of Political Antisemitism? Antisemitism in Germany after October 7 – Daniel Poensgen (Federal Association RIAS)
- Post–October 7 Shifts in the German Populist Left: From Ambiguous Distancing to Embracing Anti-Israel Mobilizations – Marc Seul (Initiative for Interdisciplinary Antisemitism Research (IIA), Trier University / LCSCA)
- Antisemitism in the Classroom: Challenges for Political Education in Germany – Felix Kirchhof, Gudrun Hentges, Lina Cino, Carlotta Diehl, Judith Vogel (University of Cologne)

Speaker (remote)s



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Psychoanalyst (in Training) / PHD Candidate ELES | University of Hannover



Felix Kirchhof

University of Cologne



Daniel Poensgen

Senior Scientific Advisor | Federal Association RIAS



Marc Seul

Research Associate | Initiative for Interdisciplinary Research on Antisemitism (IIA), Trier University

Chair



Dr. Elke Rajal

P42: EASTERN EUROPE

10:45 AM – 12:15 PM | Location: Student Building 103

- On a Spectrum of Ambivalence: Local Sentiments Toward Hasidic Pilgrimage in Eastern Europe – Alla Marchenko (The Hebrew

University of Jerusalem)

- The Holocaust and the Politics of Memory in Hungary and Romania – Stephen Pogany (University of Warwick)
- Responses of the Czech Pro-Kremlin, Antisemitic Outlets to October 7 and the Gaza War – Zbyněk Tarant (University of West Bohemia, Department of Middle-Eastern Studies)
- Nationalism in Central and Eastern Europe: Dilemmas and Controversies – Erika Harris (University of Liverpool, UK)

Speakers



Alla Marchenko

Postdoctoral scholar | Hebrew University of Jerusalem



Stephen Pogany

Emeritus Professor | University of Warwick



Zbyněk Tarant

Assistant Professor | University of West Bohemia



Erika Harris

Professor | University of Liverpool, UK

Chair



Katie Cunningham

Director of Education | The Stan Greenspon Holocaust Education Center

P43: LATIN AMERICA II

10:45 AM – 12:15 PM | Location: Student Building 274

- Antisemitism and Antizionism in the Mexican Radical Left Guerrilla Ejército Zapatista de Liberación Nacional (EZLN): Its History and Actualization after October 7, 2023 – Luis Heine (Technical University of Berlin; Ernst Ludwig Ehrlich Studienwerk)
- Antisemitism, Anti-Americanism, and Nazi-Analogies in Recent Mexican Intellectual Discussions of International Conflicts: A Case Study of a Global Problem – Elisa Kriza (University of Bamberg, Germany)
- Coexistence and Antisemitism in the Colombian Caribbean: Los Judíos de Barranquilla – Ana Camargo Palomino (Virginia Tech)
- Marea Rosa and October 7: Antisemitic Continuities in the Latin American Left in the 21st Century – Sebastian Draxl (University of Vienna)

Speakers



Luis Heine

MA Student | Center for Research on Antisemitism



Ana Camargo Palomino

Environmental Health and Safety, Virginia Tech



Elisa Kriza

Senior Lecturer (Privatdozentin) | Otto-Friedrich-Universität Bamberg

Speaker and Chair



Sebastian Draxl

Student | University of Vienna

LUNCH

12:15 PM – 1:00 PM

S07: ACADEMIC KEYNOTE: CRITICAL THEORY, 7 OCTOBER AND THE CRITIQUE OF ANTISEMITISM AND SEXISM

1:00 PM – 2:00 PM | Location: Student Building 001 - LIVESTREAM

Keynote:

Critical Theory, 7 October and the Critique of Antisemitism and Sexism – Karin Stögner (University of Passau)

Respondent: Balazs Berkovits (University of Haifa, Comper Center)

Speaker



Karin Stögner

Professor of Sociology | University of Passau

Respondent



Balazs Berkovits

Researcher | Comper Center, University of Haifa

P44: MAKING A CHANGE: POLICY ON CAMPUS AND BEYOND

2:15 PM – 3:45 PM | Location: Student Building 101 - LIVESTREAM

- Confronting Antisemitism on US College Campuses: What Do We Know and What We Do? – Leonard Saxe (Brandeis University)
- On the Front Lines of Jewish Advocacy: Making Sense of Antisemitism Data at AJC – Laura Shaw Frank (American Jewish Committee)
- When Protection Fails to Transfer: Institutional Betrayal and the Title IX/Title VI Double Standard – Sagit Sade Attia (Israeli American Council)

Speakers



Leonard Saxe

Professor | Brandeis University



Laura Shaw Frank

National Director, Center for Education Advocacy | American Jewish Committee (AJC)



Sagit Sade Attia

National Sr. Director of Academic Action | Israeli American Council

Chair



Amira Halperin

Senior Research Associate; Fellow | BICOM; LCSCA

P45: CULTURE & SOCIETY

2:15 PM – 3:45 PM | Location: Student Building 103

- Jews Are Good to Think With – Shlomo Fischer (Jewish People Policy Institute)
- The Face in War: Lived Experience, Responsibility, and Seeing the Other beyond Antisemitism – Hana Bednarikova (University of Hradec Kralove, Faculty of Education, Czech Republic)
- „That's Funny, You Don't Smell Jewish”: Exclusionary Practices in Social Spaces before and after October 7 – Efraim Sicher (Ben-Gurion University of the Negev)

Speakers



Shlomo Fischer

Senior Fellow | Jewish People Policy Institute



Hana Sapir Bednarikova

University of Hradec Kralove

Speaker and Chair



Efraim Sicher

Emeritus Professor | Ben-Gurion University of the Negev

P46: GENDER

2:15 PM – 3:45 PM | Location: Student Building 134 - HYBRID

- “How come [...] that you say nothing when Jewish women are raped?” Jewish Perceptions of the Discourse on Sexual Violence in the Context of October 7th – Friederike Lorenz-Sinai (University of Tübingen, Institute for Research on Far Right Extremism – IRex)
- Antisemitism, Misogyny, and Sexuality in Contemporary Society: The Ideological Centrality of Sex in the Manosphere – Gesche Gerdes (University of Passau)
- Antisemitism as Protest-Logic: A Socio-Psychological Analysis of Anti-Israeli Feminist Mobilizations in Berlin – Debora Eller (University of Bonn; Tikvah Institute Berlin)

Believe All Women? Antisemitism in the radical queer-feminist left in the aftermath of 7 October – Cordula Trunk (University of Innsbruck)

Speaker (remote)s



Cordula Trunk



Gesche Gerdes

Research Assistant | University of Passau



Friederike Lorenz-Sinai

Professor for Antisemitism Research | University of Tuebingen

Speaker



Debora Eller
Tikvah Institut

Chair



Chantalle El Helou
University of Jena

P47: EUROPE & POLICY

2:15 PM – 3:45 PM | Location: Student Building 133 - HYBRID

- Supranationalism, Universalism and the Legacy of the Holocaust: The EU, French and German Strategies to Combat Antisemitism – Carolyn Dudek (Hofstra University)
- New Trends in Antisemitism in Western Europe in the Shadow of Demographic Shifts – Dov Maimon (Jewish People Policy Institute)
- Historical Fault Lines and Contemporary Hostilities: Antisemitism and Anti-Israel Sentiment in Spain after October 7 – Alejandro Baer (Spanish National Research Council) and David Benatar (University of Valencia)

Speaker (remote)



Carolyn Dudek
Professor | Hofstra University

Speakers



Dov Maimon
Senior fellow | JPPPI



Alejandro Baer
Spanish National Research Council



David Benatar
(University of Valencia)

Chair



Tanja Ehmann
Scientific Staff | Catholic University of Applied Sciences (KHSB)

P48: POLITICAL THEOLOGY

2:15 PM – 3:45 PM | Location: Student Building 202

- What's New about the New Antisemitism: Western Self-Hatred and the Offering of Israel – Tomer Persico (Shalom Hartman Institute)
- Israel and Post-Secular Narratives of Sacrifice – Amit Assis (JNF-KKL)
- The Political Theology of Antisemitism on the Left – Elad Lison (Herzog College / Israel)
- Antisemitism as Inverted Redemption: Truncated Emancipation and the Misrelation of Universal and Particular (with Particular Reference to Badiou and Butler) – Jonas Erulo (University of Münster; Gesellschaft für kritische Bildung)

Speakers



Tomer Persico
Senior Fellow | Shalom Hartman Institute



Amit Assis
Institute for the Study of Zionism and Settlement | KKL-JNF



Elad Lison
Senior lecturer | Herzog Academic College

Speaker and Chair



Jonas Erulo
Akademischer Rat a.Z. | Universität Münster

P49: POPULISM/FAR RIGHT

2:15 PM – 3:45 PM | Location: Student Building 107 - HYBRID

- "Us" and "Others": Collective Identity-Building of Far-Right Movements in Chemnitz and "Querdenken" – Anja Schmidt-Kleinert (Philipps-University Marburg, Germany)
- Entangled Crisis Narratives: How Germany's Far-Right COVID Protest Scene Responded to October 7 – Elke Rajal (University of Passau, Germany)
- Ambivalent Projections: The New Right's Discourse on Israel and Islam in Germany – Matheus Hagedorn (Center for Antisemitism)

and Racism Studies (CARS), Catholic University of Applied Sciences- katho)

- Ideological Contagion: The Migration of Antizionism from Left to Right – Naya Lekht (Yeshiva University)

Speaker (remote)



Naya Lekht

Teaching Faculty | Ramaz School · Full-time

Speakers



Anja Schmidt-Kleinert

Co-PI "Judging Terror" | Philipps-University Marburg



Dr. Elke Rajal



Matheus Hagedorn

Research Assistant | Center for Antisemitism and Racism Studies

Chair



Neil Bar

Comper Center, University of Haifa

P50: LIVED EXPERIENCES OF ANTISEMITISM II

2:15 PM – 3:45 PM | Location: Student Building 274

- Student Development Theory, Critical Theory, and Antisemitism on Campus: The Paradox of Jewish Interstitiality – Stacey Aviva Clark (Gratz College; Jewish Federations of North America)
- Beyond Their Story, Still Their Fight: Teaching Non-Jewish Kids About Antisemitism – Nicola Strauther (The National Holocaust Museum)
- A Personal Historical Perspective on Combatting Antisemitism in Higher Education: What Was Tried, What Worked, What Didn't Work and Recommendations Post October 7th – Edward Beck (Affiliate Faculty, Graduate Programs in Antisemitism Studies, Gratz College: President Emeritus, Scholars for Peace in the Middle East)

Speakers



Edward Beck

Affiliate Faculty, Graduate Program, Antisemitism Studies, Gratz College: President-Emeritus, Scholars for Peace in the Middle E...



Stacey Aviva Clark

PhD Student Antisemitism Studies | Gratz College

Speaker and Chair



Nicola Strauther

Director of Learning and Engagement | The National Holocaust Museum

P51: THEORY & THOUGHT

2:15 PM – 3:45 PM | Location: Student Building 273

- Antisemitism Reinterpreted: Beyond Arendt's Historical Containment – Batsheva Neuer (Hebrew University)
- Postsecular Antisemitism: Assessing Adorno and Habermas on Religion and Reason – Rachel Rosner (The Hebrew University of Jerusalem)
- Heinrich Heine and the Critique of Anti-Judaism, Right and Left – Ishay Landa (The Open University of Israel)
- The Seeds of Campus Antisemitism: Similarities between Heideggerian Philosophy and Identity Synthesis Ideology – Sabrina Soffer (The Institute for the Study of Global Antisemitism and Policy)

Speakers



Batsheva Neuer

Fellow | Hebrew University



Rachel Rosner

Postdoctoral Fellow | Hebrew University



Ishay Landa



Sabrina Soffer

Young Leadership Research & Diplomacy Fellow | Jerusalem Center for Security and Foreign Affairs

Chair



Ian Jaffe

Dr (Holocaust and Genocide Studies), Lawyer (Israel) | 1. Ariel 2. Collège of Management and Academic Studies

S08: INTERFAITH AND ANTISEMITISM: RESPONSES THAT UNITE US

4:00 PM – 5:30 PM | Location: Student Building 101 - LIVESTREAM

Interfaith and Antisemitism: Responses that Unite Us

This moderated conversation explores collaborative, interfaith frameworks for countering contemporary antisemitism and religious prejudice across the West and the Middle East. Featuring leaders from the distinguished Tanenbaum Center, Faith Matters, and specialist researchers in Jewish-Christian relations, the panel highlights personal journeys, grassroots anti-discrimination programs, and strategic institutional responses. Together, the speakers will share actionable insights on building inclusive, cohesive societies through shared values and cross-communal solidarity.

Chair: Dr. David Barak-Gorodetsky

Speakers



Georgette Bennet

Founder | Multifaith Alliance



Iman Atta

Director | Tell MAMA



Jules Freeman

Researcher & Strategic Advisor | LCSCA

Chair



David Barak-Gorodetsky

Director | Comper Center, University of Haifa

S09: BOOK LAUNCH – KARA JESELLA AND KARIN STÖGNER

4:00 PM – 5:30 PM | Location: Student Building 103

Feminist Antisemitism: An Intellectual History – Kara Jesella (New York University)

Antisemitism and Sexism: Ideological Constellations Before and After 7 October – Karin Stögner (University of Passau)

Speakers



Karin Stögner

Professor of Sociology | University of Passau



Kara Jesella

New York University

Chair



Philip Spencer

Emeritus Professor | Kingston University

AI01: ANTISEMITISM IN THE DIGITAL AGE: AI, MEDIA, AND FREE SPEECH

4:00 PM – 5:30 PM | Location: Student Building 107 - HYBRID

AI TRACK

- Antisemitism, Popular Culture, Free Speech and the Problem of Typology – Adam Behr (Newcastle University)
- Antisemitism and Anti-Zionism in the Contemporary 'Art World' and Arts Education – Karen Fiss (Independent Scholar (formerly Tenured Full Professor of Visual Studies))
- Emerging Patterns of AI-Generated Antisemitism – Nilaya Magidish (Cyberwell)

Speaker (remote)s



Adam Behr

Reader in Music, Politics and Society | Newcastle University



Karen Fiss

Professor | Independent Scholar, San Francisco

Speaker



Nilaya Magidish

Research Analyst and Policy Lead | CyberWell

Chair



Oren Dvoskin

Project Manager, AI & Antisemitism | Comper Center, University of Haifa

AI02: FOLLOWING THE MONEY AND COORDINATED ACTIONS

4:00 PM – 5:30 PM | Location: Student Building 202

AI TRACK

- Digital Proxies: Coordinated Antizionist Influence Operations in Canadian Academic Landscape – Ori Freiman (Indiana University Bloomington)
- Follow the Funding: Mapping the Financial Networks Behind Campus Antisemitism – Dikla Yogev (Florida International University)
- Perspectives on Well-Being amid Multiple Circles of Hostility – Anat Fanti (Bar Ilan University)

Speakers



Dikla Yogev

Assistant Professor | Florida International University



Anat Fanti

PhD candidate | Bar Ilan U.



Ori Freiman

Affiliated Researcher Social Media & Hate Research Lab Institute for the Study of Contemporary Antisemitism | Indiana University

Chair



Izabella Tabarovsky

Fellow | Comper Center

P52: INTERDISCIPLINARY APPROACHES TO ANTISEMITISM II

4:00 PM – 5:30 PM | Location: Student Building 133 - HYBRID

- Antisemitism and the Arts – Rosie Kay (Freedom in the Arts Ltd and K2CO Ltd)
- Antisemitism as Boundary-Making in Post-Enlightenment Universalism – Hussein Mansour (ISGAP; Comper Center)
- The Genocide Accusation by Holocaust and Genocide Scholars - Symptom of a "New" Memory Culture – Verena Buser (Holocaust Studies Program/Western Galilee College)
- The Role of Antisemitism in the Rise and Consolidation of the Nazi Party: How the Lessons from our Past Illuminate Contemporary Issues in the Study of Antisemitism – Paul Melville Giles (University of Ottawa, School of Political Studies)

Speaker (remote)s



Hussein Mansour

Researcher | ISGAP



Rosie Kay

Honorary Senior Fellow of Professional Practice | The Centre for Heterodox Social Science, University of Buckingham · Contract



Verena Buser

Deputy of the Commissioner for Combating Antisemitism in the State of Brandenburg/Germany | Commissioner for Combating A...



Paul Melville Giles

Master's Student | University of Ottawa

P53: ARTS AND ANTISEMITISM

4:00 PM – 5:30 PM | Location: Student Building 274

- Humor or Harm? Finnish Jewish Perspectives on Jewish Jokes as a Form of Antisemitism – Dora Pataricza (Åbo Akademi University)
- Dance Me Outside: Antisemitism in the Arts – Gdalit Neuman (York University)
- Antisemitism and the Limits of Decolonial Critique: The Documenta Fifteen Controversy and Israeli Art Discourse – David Sperber (Independent Scholar)

Speakers



Gdalit Neuman

York University



Dóra Pataricza

Associate professor | Jewish Theological Seminary - University of Jewish Studies



David Sperber

Co-Editor-in-Chief of Images: A Journal of Jewish Art and Visual Culture (De Gruyter Brill). | Independent Scholar

Chair



Sara Hirschhorn

Lecturer and Senior Research Fellow | University of Haifa · Full-time

P54: ORIGINS OF ANTISEMITISM

4:00 PM – 5:30 PM | Location: Student Building 273

Stereotypes of Jews Render Them as Convenient Perpetrators and Inconvenient Victims – Allon Vishkin (Technion - Israel Institute of Technology)

What Is New About the “New Antisemitism”? – Lior Alperovitch (Bezalel Academy Jerusalem, ISGAP (NY))

Religious Roots of Antisemitism and Anti-Zionism: On the Nexus of Christian, Post-Christian, and Islamic Hatred of Jews – Tilman Tarach (Independent Scholar, Berlin)

Against the Witness: The Metaphysical Grammar of Antisemitism and Anti-Israel Hatred – Eli Vinokur (Gordon Academic College of Education)

Speakers



Allon Vishkin

Technion - Israel Institute of Technology



Lior Alperovitch

Bezalel Academy (Jerusalem), ISGAP (NY)



Tilman Tarach



Eli Vinokur

Head of the international center | Gordon Academic College of Education

Chair



Balazs Berkovits

Researcher | Comper Center, University of Haifa

ASIA II

4:00 PM – 5:30 PM | Location: Student Building 134 - HYBRID

• Chinese Antisemitism 2021-2025, it's origins and purposes – Shalom Wald (jppi The Jewish People Policy Institute Jerusalem)

• Antisemitism in China and the Global Chinese Diaspora: A Great Leap to Antisemitism 3.0 – Meng Yang (Peking University)

• Countering Antisemitism and Anti-Zionism as Taiwan's Strategic Signaling Post-October 2023 – Doron Feldman (The Clements Center for National Security, The University of Texas at Austin)

Speaker (remote)



Shalom Wald

Dr | JPPI

Speakers



Meng Yang

Antisemitism in China and the Global Chinese Diaspora: A Great Leap to Antisemitism 3.0 | Peking University



Doron Feldman

America in the World Postdoctoral Fellow | Clements Center for National Security, University of Texas at Austin

Chair



Neil Bar

Comper Center, University of Haifa

S10: CITY TOURS OF HAIFA

5:30 PM – 8:00 PM | Location: City of Haifa

S11: FRENCH LANGUAGE PANEL AT THE FRENCH INSTITUTE, HAIFA

6:30 PM – 8:00 PM | Location: The French Institute of Israel, Haifa, 37 Hagefen St.

On the occasion of the international conference organized by The Comper Interdisciplinary Center for the Study of Antisemitism and Racism (University of Haifa, July 7-9), the French Institute of Israel in Haifa is hosting an exceptional meeting with French-speaking researchers.

In a deliberately brief and rhythmic format, the speakers will present their work and shed light on contemporary forms of antisemitism, in the context opened since October 7. This meeting aims to offer the public a plurality of interdisciplinary analyses and perspectives, in order to better understand the current mutations of antisemitism in France and in Europe.

- Gaza in the mirror of so-called secondary anti-Semitism – Joel Kotek, (Jonathas Institute)
- Holocaust denial, Holocaust distortion and post-October 7 anti-Semitism – Stephanie Share, (Comper Interdisciplinary Center for the Study of Antisemitism and Racism, à l'Université de Haifa, Israël)
- „I am a Jew“: Stating one's Jewish identity in France from the Dreyfus affair to the post-Holocaust period – Jonathan Sitbon, (Tel Aviv University)
- Criticism and Conspiracy Theories Before and After October 7 – Balazs Berkovits (Comper Center, University of Haifa)

Speakers



Stephanie Share

Researcher | Comper Center, University of Haifa, LCSCA, London



Jonathan Sitbon

University Lecturer | Tel Aviv University



Joel Kotek

Jonathas Institute



Balazs Berkovits

Researcher | Comper Center, University of Haifa

Thursday, July 09, 2026

QU01: BIAS, BELIEF, AND THE MEASUREMENT OF ANTISEMITISM

9:00 AM – 10:30 AM | Location: Keller House, Merkaz Hacarmel, Haifa

QUANTATIVE TRACK

- Antisemitism Minimization Bias – Perla Matusof (Brock University)
- Making an Atlas of Antisemitism: Methodological Notes – Cleo Assunção (Jewish Confederation of Brazil)
- Does Past Antisemitism Predict Future Antisemitism? Further Evidence From Father Coughlin's Antisemitic Radio Broadcasts – Robert Litman (Gratz College; Georgetown University Medical School)
- Conspiracy Beliefs Connect Antisemitism to Anti-Israel Attitudes – Kent Harber (Rutgers University at Newark)
- Explaining Subnational Variation in Antisemitic Violence after October 7: Evidence from London Boroughs – Karen Gould (University of Chicago)

Speakers



Perla Matusof

PhD Candidate | Brock University



Cléo Assunção

Researcher | CONIB



Robert Litman



Kent Harber

Professor I | Department of Psychology, Rutgers University at Newark



Karen Gould

Graduate Researcher | University of Chicago

ED01: EDUCATION, IDENTITY, AND ANTISEMITISM

9:00 AM – 10:30 AM | Location: "Chadarim" Center, Haifa

EDUCATION TRACK

- Countering Antisemitism Through Education: Prevention and the Role of Intervention – Sebastian Salzmann (SABRA – Service Center)

for Anti-Discrimination / Counselling Agency)

- The Institutionalization of Antisemitism: How K–12 Schools Are Normalizing Anti-Jewish Bigotry – Brandy Shufutinsky (Foundation for the Defense of Democracies)
- Communal Threat and Identity Formation: Antisemitism and Jewish Education – Nadia Beider (Hebrew University of Jerusalem)
- The Roedean Incident: A Case Study in Contemporary Antisemitism in Post-Apartheid South Africa (Adam Charnas and Prof. Karen Milner PhD.) – Adam Charnas (South African Jewish Board of Deputies)
- School Culture Eats Antisemitism Interventions for Breakfast – Aryah Somers Landsberger (Gratz College)

Speaker (remote)s



Sebastian Salzmann

Coordinator for Prevention Programs | SABRA (Service Center for Anti-Discrimination/Counselling Agency for victims of racist an...



Adam Charnas

Analyst, Liaison on Antisemitism | South African Jewish Board of Deputies



Aryah Somers Landsberger

PhD Student | Gratz College

Speaker



Brandy Shufutinsky

Director of FDD's Education and National Security Program | Foundation for Defense of Democracies

Chair



Stephanie Share

Researcher | Comper Center, University of Haifa, LCSCA, London

ED02: TEACHERS, CLASSROOMS, AND PEDAGOGICAL REALITY

9:00 AM – 10:30 AM | Location: "Chadarim" Center, Haifa

EDUCATION TRACK

- Dis_Ident in Practice: Countering Israel-Related Antisemitism in German Classrooms – Diana Sternecker; Beatrice Mansour; Asmen Ilhan (MIND Prevention)
- Educators as Upstanders: Building Allyship to Combat Antisemitism in Schools and on Campuses – Benjamin M. Jacobs (The George Washington University)
- Using Public Health Frameworks to Challenge Antisemitic Political Ideologies and Support the Rights, Safety, and Wellbeing of Jewish Students in K–12 Schools – Dave Shriberg (Indiana University Bloomington)
- Discussions about Antisemitism with Teacher Training Students: The Taboo of Religious Impacts and the Exaggeration of Tolerance – Michael Tressat (Europa-Universität Flensburg, Germany)

Speakers



Beatrice Mansour

Geschäftsführende Gesellschafterin | MIND prevention gGmbH



Diana Sternecker

Workshop Coordinator | Mansour-Initiative für Demokratieförderung und Extremismusprävention gGmbH



Asmen Ilhan

Pedagogical Director | MIND prevention



Benjamin M. Jacobs

Research Associate Professor | The George Washington University



David Shriberg

Indiana University



Michael Tressat

Postdoctoral Research Associate | University of Flensburg

Chair



Izabella Tabarovsky

Fellow | Comper Center

ED03: REEDUCATION, MEMORY, AND ANTISEMITISM

9:00 AM – 10:30 AM | Location: "Chadarim" Center, Haifa

EDUCATION TRACK

- Is Reeducation Failing after the Unification of East and West Germany? – Martin Jander (Stanford University Berlin)

- Participant-Centered Learning About Antisemitism – Yariv Lapid
- Encounter Work with Israel as a Practice-Based Tool to Counter Antisemitism – Ilira Aliai (ConAct)
- Between the Screen and the Scripture: How Digital Media Exposure and Theological Orientation Shape Antisemitic Attitudes Among Young Christian Men – Katie Posey (Gratz College)

Speakers



Ilira Aliai

ConAct



Martin Jander

Instructor, Lecturer | Stanford University (Berlin), FU-Berlin



Yariv Lapid

Senior Strategy Advisor | United States Holocaust Memorial Museum



Katie Posey

Ph.D. Student Antisemitism Studies | Gratz College

Chair



Ben M. Freeman

Author | Comper Center

LW01: FROM DEFINITION TO IMPLEMENTATION: LEGAL RESPONSES TO ANTISEMITISM IN COMPARATIVE PERSPECTIVE

9:00 AM – 10:30 AM | Location: Student Building 133 - HYBRID

LAW/ WORKPLACE TRACK

- Soft Regulation and the IHRA Working Definition of Antisemitism: Comparative Legal Pathways in the U.S., Canada, and the U.K. – Shlomi Balaban (School of Law, Sapir Academic College; The Elizabeth and Tony Comper Foundation)
- Antisemitism in the Israeli Legal Arena: Historical and Judicial Perspectives – Yossi Kugler (Center for Law and Antisemitism, College of Management Academic Studies - COLMAN, Israel)
- Defining Antisemitism and Rebuttable Presumptions – and Practical Uses – David Levitt (StandWithUs Center for Legal Justice; Decalogue Society of Lawyers; DePaul Law JLJS)

Speaker (remote)



David Levitt

Attorney | Hinshaw & Culbertson LLP; Decalogue Society of Lawyers

Speaker



Yossi Kugler

Director, Center for Law and Antisemitism | College of Management Academic Studies

Speaker and Chair



Shlomi Balaban

Assistant Professor | Sapir College Law School

LW02: BEYOND STATEMENTS: INSTITUTIONAL ACCOUNTABILITY AND LEGAL ENFORCEMENT AGAINST ANTISEMITISM

9:00 AM – 10:30 AM | Location: Student Building 134 - HYBRID

LAW/ WORKPLACE TRACK

- From Ambiguity to Accountability: The Case for a Legal Definition of Antisemitism in Academia – Andrea Martin (Penn State Dickinson Law)
- Politicization of Public Capital – Anat Alon Beck
- Can Civil Rights on Campus Be Bolstered by Bankruptcy Law? – William Organek

Chair: University of Haifa Law School (TBD)

Speaker (remote)



Andrea Martin

Assistant Professor of Law | Penn State Dickinson Law

Speakers



William Organek

Assistant Professor of Law | Zicklin School of Business, Baruch College, City University of New York



Anat Alon-Beck

Professor | Case Western Reserve University School of Law

LW03: CONTEMPORARY ANTISEMITISM IN THE WORKPLACE I

9:00 AM – 10:30 AM | Location: Student Building 101 - RECORDED

LAW/ WORKPLACE TRACK

- Mapping the Dynamics of Workplace Antisemitism: Implications for Employees and Organizational Systems – Avi Kay (Lev Academic Center - Jerusalem College of Technology)
- Balancing Fundamental Rights: How Employers Should Respond to Employees' Off-Duty Antisemitic Speech – Debbie Kaminer (Baruch College, City University of New York - CUNY)
- DEI and Antisemitism: The Construction of a Jewish Professional Identity Post October 7th – Varda Wasserman (The Open University of Israel); Michal Frenkel (The Hebrew University)
- Theorizing workplace antisemitism – Kerstin Neumann (University of Innsbruck)

Chair: University of Haifa Law School (TBD)

Speakers



Avi Kay

Senior Lecturer | Lev Academic Center



Debbie Kaminer

Professor of Law | Baruch College CUNY



Varda Wasserman

The open university



Michal Frenkel

The Hebrew University



Kerstin Neumann

Professor | University of Innsbruck

AI03: KEYNOTE

10:00 AM – 10:30 AM | Location: "Tech and Talk", Matam, Haifa

AI TRACK

Leveraging AI and Social Science to Combat Online Antisemitism: An Interdisciplinary Approach – Julie R. Ancis (New Jersey Institute of Technology)

Speaker



Julie Ancis

Distinguished Professor | New Jersey Institute of Technology

AI04a: ACADEMIC PANEL

10:30 AM – 11:40 AM | Location: "Tech and Talk", Matam, Haifa

AI TRACK

- Shades of (Implicit) Bias: On Some Causes of Antisemitic Behaviour in Large Language Models – Oren Tsur (Ben-Gurion University of the Negev)
- From Data to David's Sling: Rethinking Antisemitism Through Large-Scale Media Analysis – Haran Shani-Narkiss (Innovives AI Solutions)
- Artificially Amplified: How AI-Generated Content Fuels the Spread of Antisemitism in Digital Spaces – Lev Topor (IHRA; ISGAP)

Speakers



Oren Tsur

Academic Researcher | Ben Gurion Universit



Lev Topor

Head of Cybersecurity Studies; Senior Resaercher; Cybersecurity Consultant | Academic College of Tel Aviv Yaffo; Institute for th...

Speaker and Chair



Haran Shani-Narkiss

Founder and CEO | Innovives

QU02: MEASURING ANTISEMITISM - TEST CASES

11:00 AM – 1:00 PM | Location: Keller House, Merkaz Hacarmel, Haifa

QUANTATIVE TRACK

- Perceptions and Experiences of Antisemitism: A Mixed-Methods Survey of California Jews – Yael Teff Seker (University of California, Davis)
- In the Mind of Pro-Hamas Students – Gunther Jikeli (Indiana University)
- Methodological Lessons from Antisemitic Incident Tracking in a Polarized Climate – Rachel Sass (ADL, Gratz College)

Speaker (remote)



Rachel Sass

Senior Antisemitic Incident Specialist | ADL, Gratz College

Speakers



Yael Teff Seker

UC Davis



Gunther Jikeli

Associate Professor | Indiana University Bloomington

ED04: MEMORY, EDUCATION, AND THE NEW ANTISEMITISM

11:00 AM – 12:30 PM | Location: "Chadarim" Center, Haifa

EDUCATION TRACK

- Casting Jews as Obstacles to Social Harmony: Antisemitism in Today's Memory Culture in Germany and Beyond – Marlene Gallner (Institute for the Study of Contemporary Antisemitism at Indiana University)
- Education on Antisemitism and Righteous Acts – When History Warns the Present – Lena Casiez (Fondation du Camp des Milles)
- Construction Site: Antisemitism. Developing a Participatory Learning Tool on Viennese Memory – Wolfgang Schmutz, Andrea Hubin, Karin Schneider (Praxisgemeinschaft Hubin/Schneider/Schmutz)
- Negative Didactics: Limits of Education Against Antisemitism – Henning Gutfleisch (Mainz University; Berlin Competence Center for Antisemitism-Critical Education & Research)

Speaker (remote)s



Lena Casiez

Head of Education Culture Research and International Department | Camp des Milles Foundation



Wolfgang Schmutz

Education Consultant | Praxisgemeinschaft Hubin/Schneider/Schmutz



Andrea Hubin

founder and project leader | Bildungsverein Lernen in gesellschaftlichen Spannungsfeldern - praxisgemeinschaft hubin/schneid...



Karin Schneider

Founder and project leader | Bildungsverein Lernen in gesellschaftlichen Spannungsfeldern - praxisgemeinschaft hubin/schnei...



Henning Gutfleisch

PhD-candidate | Mainz University

Speaker



Marlene Gallner

Research Fellow | Indiana University Institute for the Study of Contemporary Antisemitism

Chair



Ben M. Freeman

Author | Comper Center

ED05: RETHINKING EDUCATIONAL INTERVENTIONS AGAINST ANTISEMITISM

11:00 AM – 12:30 PM | Location: "Chadarim" Center, Haifa

EDUCATION TRACK

- Necessary, But Insufficient: Re-Envisioning Holocaust Education as an Intervention to Antisemitism – Katie Cunningham (Gratz College; Greenspon Holocaust Education Center)
- Varieties of Antisemitism: Trust, Confidence, and Anti-Jewish Attitudes – Ron Levi and Ronit Dinovitzer (University of Toronto)
- Education and Antisemitism in the Post-Holocaust Era: Challenges, Narratives, and Prospects for a Humanistic Future – Abdellah Benhssi (Maromed initiatives)
- Remembrance as a Contested Practice: Antisemitism-Critical Education between Reflection and Resistance - Hellen Bircok (Goethe

Speakers



Katie Cunningham

Director of Education | The Stan Greenspon Holocaust Education Center



Ron Levi

Professor | University of Toronto



Ronit Dinovitzer

Professor | University of Toronto



Abdellah Benhssi

professor | Maromed Initiatives



Hellen Bircok

Goethe University Frankfurt

Chair



Stephanie Share

Researcher | Comper Center, University of Haifa, LCSCA, London

LW04: REGULATORY GAPS AND LEGAL FRAMEWORKS: ADDRESSING CONTEMPORARY ANTISEMITISM ONLINE AND OFFLINE

11:00 AM – 12:30 PM | Location: Student Building 107 - HYBRID

LAW/ WORKPLACE TRACK

- How Could an Internet Platform Duty to Act Responsibly More Effectively Address Antisemitism Online? – Michael Geist (University of Ottawa, Faculty of Law)
- Online Hate, Disinformation and Misinformation, and Antisemitism – Simone Abel (Executive Council of Australian Jewry)
- A Jewish Question and English Law – Jonathan Karas (Falcon Chambers)
- The Limits and the Possibilities of Canadian Law in Responding to Hate – Adam Dodek (Faculty of Law, University of Ottawa)

Chair: University of Haifa Law School (TBD)

Speaker (remote)



Simone Abel

Head of Legal | Executive Council of Australian Jewry

Speakers



Michael Geist

Professor Of Law | University of Ottawa



Jonathan Karas

King's Counsel | Falcon Chambers



Adam Dodek

Professor | Faculty of Law, University of Ottawa

LW05: LEGAL DISCOURSE ON ISRAEL: EXAMINING INSTITUTIONAL AND SCHOLARLY FRAMEWORKS

11:00 AM – 12:30 PM | Location: Student Building 101 - RECORDED

LAW/ WORKPLACE TRACK

- Israel in Court: The Jewish State and International Law – John Strawson (University of East London)
- Contemporary International Human Rights Discourse: Israel Vilification as Incitement and Permission Structure to Hold Jews in Contempt – Peter Biro (Raoul Wallenberg Centre for Human Rights)
- From Blogs to Boycotts: Anti-Zionist Biases in Legal Academia as Contemporary Antisemitic Discrimination – Avraham Shalev (Kohelet Policy Forum)

Chair: University of Haifa Law School (TBD)

Speakers



John Strawson

Professor | University of East London



Peter Biro

Senior Fellow | Raoul Wallenberg Centre for Human Rights



Avraham Shalev

LW06: CONTEMPORARY ANTISEMITISM IN THE WORKPLACE II

11:00 AM – 12:30 PM | Location: Student Building 134 - HYBRID

LAW/ WORKPLACE TRACK

- Formulating a Neo-Durkheimian Institutional Theory of Antisemitism – Yochanan Altman (WU Vienna, Austria)
- On Being the Inside Outsider: The Positionality Question When Studying Antisemitism at Work. An Autoethnographic Inquiry – Wolfgang Mayrhofer (WU Vienna, Austria)
- We know who we are: Defined and lived antisemitism in the workplace – Luciana Hakak (UFV, Canada)
- How Antisemitism Becomes Normalized in Progressive Organizations – Belle Ragins (University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee)

Chair: University of Haifa Law School (TBD)

Speaker (remote)s



Belle Rose Ragins

Distinguished Professor of Management | University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee USA



Wolfgang Mayrhofer

Full Professor | WU Vienna



Yochanan Altman

senior fellow | WU Vienna



Luciana Hakak

(UFV, Canada)

AI04b: ACADEMIC PANEL

12:00 PM – 1:20 PM | Location: "Tech and Talk", Matam, Haifa

AI TRACK

- Evaluating Knowledge Base Approaches for LLM-Based Detection and Explanation of Antisemitic Content on Stickers and Leaflets – Katharina Soemer (Goethe University Frankfurt)
- Quantifying the Spread and Scale of Antisemitic Content on YouTube and TikTok – Philip Nottingham (Organic Video)
- Analyzing Multimodal Political Communication in State-Funded News after October 7 – Daniel Miehl (Indiana University)
- Measuring Framing Bias in Academic Discourse: A Reproducible NLP Pipeline for Detecting Differential Sentiment Toward Religious and Ethnic Groups – Louis Shekhtman, Gilat Rotkop, Dolev Ravid (Bar-Ilan)

Speakers



Philip Nottingham

Founder | Organic Video



Daniel Miehl

PhD | Indiana University



Dolev Ravid

Bar-Ilan



Louis Shekhtman

Senior Lecturer | Bar Ilan University - Faculty of Humanities, Department of Information Science and Applied Artificial Intelligence



Gilat Rotkop

PhD Candidate | Bar-Ilan



Katharina Soemer

Research Associate | Goethe University Frankfurt

Chair



Haran Shani-Narkiss

Founder and CEO | Innohives

ED06: DISCUSSION - THE FUTURE OF ANTISEMITISM EDUCATION

1:30 PM – 3:00 PM | Location: "Chadarim" Center, Haifa

EDUCATION TRACK

- Ben M. Freeman, Author and Comper Center Fellow, University of Haifa
- Brandy Shufutinsky, Director of FDD's Education and National Security Program
- Naama Klar, Director of the Koret International School for Jewish Peoplehood
- Challenges across Jewish Education in the Diaspora post October 7 – Rachel Fink (UnitEd Jewish Education)

Speakers



Ben M. Freeman

Author | Comper Center



Brandy Shufutinsky

Director of FDD's Education and National Security Program | Foundation for Defense of Democracies



Naama Klar

Koret International School, ANU Museum



Rachel Fink

Director of Education | UnitEd Jewish Education

Chair



Izabella Tabarovsky

Fellow | Comper Center

LW07: PUBLIC PANEL: BEYOND THE CLASSROOM: LEGAL ACADEMICS ON THE FRONTLINES OF COMBATING ANTISEMITISM

1:30 PM – 3:00 PM | Location: Student Building 101 - RECORDED

LAW/ WORKPLACE TRACK

This public panel brings together legal scholars and practitioners from Israel, North America, and Europe who are confronting antisemitism through research, documentation, and policy work. Drawing on their experiences since October 7 and beyond, panelists reflect on how antisemitism shapes their scholarship and practice, the challenges of translating research into action, and emerging patterns across jurisdictions. Through open dialogue with the audience, participants explore what has changed, what remains unchanged, and pathways forward for legal scholarship and civil society in addressing contemporary antisemitism.

Panelists:

- Michael Geist
- Cochav Elkayam-Levy
- Nizan Geslevich Packin
- Sagit Sade Attia

Chair: University of Haifa Law School (TBD)

Speakers



Michael Geist

Professor Of Law | University of Ottawa



Cochav Elkayam Levy

Chair | Chair



Nizan Packin

Professor | Zicklin school of business, Baruch, CUNY



Sagit Sade Attia

National Sr. Director of Academic Action | Israeli American Council

QU03: DISCUSSION: TOWARDS A QUANTATATIVE TURN IN ANTISEMITISM RESEARCH

1:45 PM – 3:00 PM | Location: Keller House, Merkaz Hacarmel, Haifa

QUANTATIVE TRACK

Speaker



Ayal Feinberg

Gratz College | Director of the Center for Holocaust and Antisemitism Studies

AI05: ANTISEMITISM EXPOSED: MERGING TECHNOLOGY AND ADVOCACY

2:00 PM – 2:30 PM | Location: "Tech and Talk", Matam, Haifa

AI TRACK

- Shaping unengaged public perceptions and large-scale monitoring of social media – Steven Fransblow, CTO & Chief Scientist, Blue Square Alliance
- Antisemitism Exposed: Merging Technology And Advocacy - Hadas Maimon, Ministry of Diaspora Affairs and Combatting Antisemitism

Speakers



Steven Fransblow

Chief Data and Technology Officer | Blue Square Alliance Against Hate



Hadas Maimon

Executive Director | Ministry of Diaspora Affairs and Combatting Antisemitism

AI06: AI PUBLIC PANEL

2:30 PM – 3:30 PM | Location: "Tech and Talk", Matam, Haifa

AI TRACK

- Bias in The New York Times – Lilach Sigan (Maariv)
- Between Conflict and Contribution: Jewish Editors and the Politics of Knowledge on Wikipedia – Shlomit Lir (University of Haifa; Bar Ilan University)
- Generative AI for Good, "Responsible AI to Address Hate: Amplification of What Must Be Heard" – Tal Harary (Generative AI for Good)
- Countering Antisemitism: From Physical Security to AI-powered Cognitive Impact – Liron Shaul (Vortex)

Speakers



Shlomit Lir

Bar-Ilan University, University of Haifa



Tal Harary

Creative Lead | Generative AI for Good



Liron Shaul

CEO | Vortex

Speaker and Chair



Lilach Sigan

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S12: "ISRAEL ALONE"? CLOSING KEYNOTE EVENT WITH BERNARD HENRI LEVY

4:00 PM – 6:00 PM | Location: Rappaport Hall, HaNassi Blvd 138, Haifa

This closing session also marks the publication of *Israel Alone* in Hebrew, a powerful and personal reflection on Israel's isolation after October 7, the resurgence of global antisemitism, and the moral and political challenges facing Israel and the democratic world today.

In his book *Israel Alone*, Bernard-Henri Lévy weaves together fifty years of profound familiarity with Israel, revealing an in-depth portrait of the world's reactions to the October 7 massacre. He exposes the bitter, new waves of the oldest hatred—antisemitism, the very reason Israel bears the war for its existence alone—and uncovers what this campaign truly means for both Israel and the entire world. The book is published by Pardes Publishing (2026), in collaboration with The Elizabeth and Tony Comper Interdisciplinary Center for the Study of Antisemitism and Racism at the University of Haifa

We are honored to feature Bernard-Henri Lévy as the keynote speaker for the closing session. A philosopher, filmmaker, and author of more than forty-five books, Lévy's work spans philosophy, literature, and frontline reporting, and is deeply intertwined with humanitarian activism. His books include *Israel Alone*, *The Genius of Judaism*, *American Vertigo*, *Barbarism with a Human Face*, *Who Killed Daniel Pearl?*, and *The Empire and the Five Kings*. Over five decades, he has reported on the world's "forgotten wars" and made films in Bosnia, Libya, Iraqi Kurdistan under ISIS, and in Afghanistan, Somalia, Bangladesh, Nigeria, and Ukraine.

Speakers



Bernard Henri-Levy

Author, "Israel Alone"



Yona Yahav

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