



The 5th Global Forum for Combating Antisemitism

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Program

Tuesday, May 12, 2015 Plenary Session - Teddy Hall, International Convention Center

- 16:00** Registration Opens
- 18:00-20:00** **Official Opening Session of the Global Forum**
- Greetings:
Ambassador Gideon Behar, Director of the Department for Combating Antisemitism, MFA, Israel,
Conference Chair
- Speakers:
Benjamin Netanyahu, Prime Minister of Israel (TBC)
Mr. Frans Timmermans, First Vice President for Better Regulation, Interinstitutional Relations,
the Rule of Law and the Charter of Fundamental Rights, European Commission
Yuli (Yoel) Edelstein Speaker of the Knesset
Mr. Heiko Mass, Federal Minister of Justice, Federal Republic of Germany
Minister of Foreign Affairs, Israel (TBC)
Minister for Jerusalem and Diaspora Affairs, Israel (TBC)
- Musical Interludes**
- 20:00-22:00** **Gala Dinner Reception**
Stones, Performance by ORTO-Da Theater Group

Wednesday, May 13, 2015 Plenary Sessions - Teddy Hall, International Convention Center

- 8:00** Registration (for previously unregistered)
- 9:00-10:30** Panel: **The Oldest Hatred in the Newest Vessels: Confronting Antisemitism and Hate Speech on the Internet and in Social Media: Defining the Problem**
Chair: **Ronald Eissens**, Chairperson, INACH, The Netherlands
- Panelists:
John Mann MP, Chair of the Inter-parliamentary Coalition and the United Kingdom All-Party Parliamentary Coalition for Combating Antisemitism
Art Reidel, Co-Chair, ADL Cyberhate Working Group, United States
David Friggieri, Legal and Policy Officer, Directorate-General for Justice, European Commission
Ido Daniel, National Program Director, ISCA, Israel
- 10:30-11:00** **Coffee break**
- 11:00-12:30** Panel: **The Oldest Hatred in the Newest Vessels: Toward Solutions**
Chair: **Ira Forman**, US State Department Special Envoy to Monitor and Combat Antisemitism
- Panelists:
Paul Giannasi, Head, Cross Government Hate Crime Programme, UK Ministry of Justice
Professor Raphael Cohen Almagor, University of Hull, United Kingdom
Simon Milner, Policy Director, UK, Middle East and Africa, Facebook, United Kingdom
Juniper Downs, Senior Policy Counsel, Google, United States
- 12:30-14:00** **Lunch** – Exhibition Hall
Chair: **Akiva Tor**, Head, Bureau of World Jewish Affairs and World Religions, MFA, Israel
Mr. Nir Barkat, Mayor of Jerusalem - *Coexistence in Israel's Capital*
- 14:00-15:30** Panel: **The Rise of Antisemitism in Europe's Cities Today: Means of Response**
Chair: **Mr. Roger Cukierman**, CRIF President, France
- Panelists:
Prof. ScD Todor Tanev, Minister of Education and Science of the Republic of Bulgaria (TBC)
MEP Lopez Aguilar, Member of the European Parliament (Committee for Liberty, Security and Justice). Chair of the European Parliament Intergroup on Antisemitism, Spain
Ambassador Szabolcs Takács, Chair of the International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance IHRA in 2015, Hungary
Mr. François Pupponi, Mayor of Sarcelles, President of the Study Group on Antisemitism, French National Assembly
- 15:30-16:00** **Coffee break**
- 16:00-17:30** Panel: **Faith as a Resource for Tolerance: Muslim Leaders in Europe on Combating Antisemitism and Extremism, and Promoting Inter-Communal Dialogue**
Chair: **Rabbi Michael Melchior**, Former Minister and Member of Knesset, Israel
- Panelists:
Sheikh Dr. Usama Hasan, Senior Researcher in Islamic Society, United Kingdom
Lars Aslan Rasmussen, Councilor, Social Democratic Party spokesperson, Copenhagen Municipality, Denmark
Imam Yahya Pallavicini, Al-Wahid Mosque in Milan and Vice President of the Islamic Religious Community of Italy
Imam Hassen Chalhouni, Imam of the city of Drancy and President of the Conference of Imams of France
- 17:45-19:00** **Closed side event for co-chairs only:**
Working Group Chairs Reception at Israel Ministry of Foreign Affairs
Host: **Nissim Ben-Shitrit**, Director General, MFA, Israel
Chair: **Ambassador Yuval Rotem**, Deputy of Public Diplomacy, MFA, Israel
- Speakers:
President Justice Miriam Naor, President of the Supreme Court
Minister of Foreign Affairs, Israel
Justice Elyakim Rubinstein, Deputy President of the Supreme Court
Member of Knesset Nachman Shai (TBC)
- 19:30-21:30** **Dinner – Teddy Hall**
Tribute to **Abraham H. Foxman** on Life Achievement
Edward James Olmos, Filmmaker and Social Activist, United States
We are One: Humanity Must Stand United Against Antisemitism

Thursday, May 14, 2015

This day is devoted to the Working Groups deliberations under the leadership of the respective Co-Chairs in 12 separate halls. The WGs are:

- Antisemitism in the Muslim and Arab World – Room Teddy C
- Antisemitism in Latin America – Room Oren 2
- Antisemitism in the Former Soviet Union and Eastern Europe Region– Room 311
- Antisemitism in the EU and Western Europe Region – Room Teddy A
- Antisemitism in the Guise of Delegitimization and Anti-Zionism- Room Oren 1
- Antisemitism on the Internet and in the Media – Room Teddy B
- Law, Legislation and Enforcement in Combatting Antisemitism – Room Oren 3
- Interfaith Dialogue as a Means for Mitigating Antisemitism – Room 314
- Protecting Jewish Religious Practice – Room 312
- Antisemitism on Campus and Education for Tolerance and Mutual Respect – Room 313
- The Role of International Organizations in Combating Antisemitism – Room Oren 4
- Combatting Holocaust Denial and Distortion – Room 310

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Direction to Working Group Halls at Information Desk
- 9:00-10:30** **Working Groups – Session 1**
- 10:30-11:00** **Coffee break**
- 11:00-12:30** **Working Groups – Session 2**
- 12:30-14:00** **Lunch** – Exhibition Hall
- Chair: **Yogev Karsenty**, Ministry of Jerusalem and Diaspora Affairs, Israel
Mr. Malcolm Hoenlein, Executive Vice Chairman, Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations, United States
Professor Robert S. Wistrich, Head of the Hebrew University Vidal Sassoon International Center for the Study of Antisemitism, Israel
- Closed side event: Antisemitism and Terror – The Connection**
Chair: **Dr. Simon Samuels**, Director for International Relations, European Office of the Simon Wiesenthal Center, France
- 14:00-15:30** **Working Groups – Session 3**
- 15:30-16:00** **Coffee break**
- 16:00-17:30** **Parallel Summary WGs Meetings and Presentation of the Action Plans**
- Teddy Hall A:**
Chair: **Daniel S. Mariaschin**, B'nai B'rith International, Executive Vice President and CEO, United States
- Antisemitism in the Muslim and Arab World
 - Antisemitism in the Guise of Delegitimization and Anti-Zionism
 - Antisemitism in Latin America
 - Antisemitism on the Internet and in the Media
 - Protecting Jewish Religious Practice
 - Combatting Holocaust Denial and Distortion
- Teddy Hall B:**
Chair: **Rabbi Abraham Cooper**, Associate Dean, Simon Wiesenthal Center, United States
- Antisemitism in the Former Soviet Union and Eastern Europe Region
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 - The Role of International Organizations in Combating Antisemitism
- 17:30-18:30** **Coffee break**
- 18:30-19:45** **Summation Plenary**
Moderator: **Prof. Irwin Cotler**, Member of the Canadian Parliament, former Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada
- Presentation of the Global Forum Conference Summary**
Professor Dina Porat, Head, Kantor Center for the Study of Contemporary European Jewry, Tel Aviv University, and Chief Historian, Yad Vashem, Israel
- Closing Statement**
Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs, Israel (TBC)
Presentation of Certificates of Appreciation to WGs Co-Chairs
- 19:45-21:15** **Farewell Cocktail - Foyer**

The Forum is open to Invitees Only - For those invitees who have not yet registered, and still wish to register please write to global.forum@mfa.gov.il before 10th April 2015.

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