



## **Human Rights Council 58<sup>th</sup> Session (March 2025)**

### **Agenda Item 2 General Debate**

**NGO:** The International Association of Jewish Lawyers and Jurists (IJL)

**Representative delivering the statement:** Hila Kugler Ramot

Thank you, Mr. President,

Since October 7, 2023, we have seen a global tidal wave of antisemitism. This is not just a crisis for Jewish communities—it is a fundamental human rights emergency.

When synagogues are set on fire; when Jews are stabbed for their identity; when soccer fans, including children, are assaulted for being Israeli; and when students hide their identity out of fear— we must recognize that the scourge of antisemitism, which belongs in the world's dark past, has returned to plague us.

This alarming trend has been fueled by the spread of distorted and libelous narratives about the Jewish State of Israel. The tragic irony is that demonstrably false accusations of genocide, ethnic cleansing, deliberate starvation of civilians, and the like, have been normalized and amplified through platforms provided by UN institutions and the abuse of international legal bodies - the very institutions designed to prevent human rights abuses such as antisemitism.

We call upon the international community to safeguard the integrity of legal frameworks and UN institutions by preventing their weaponization and misuse. The credibility and effectiveness of our global human rights system depend on it.