

Conference Program

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Sunday, November 1, 2026 – Opening Event

Museum of Tolerance, 32 Hillel Street

16:00 Optional Tour of the Museum of Tolerance (registration required)

17:30 Gathering and reception

18:00 Greetings:

H.E. **Isaac Herzog,** President of Israel

Meir Linzen, President, IJL

H.E Mr. **Mike Huckabee,** Ambassador of the United States of America to the State of Israel

Mr. **Moshe Lion**, Mayor of Jerusalem

Mr. **Amit Becher**, President, Israel Bar Association

18:30 Presentation of the IJL Founders' Awards

19:30 Gala Dinner

Monday, November 2, Seminar day + Tours

The Israel Museum, 11 Derech Ruppin, Springer Auditorium

08:30 Registration and Light breakfast at the Upper Hall

09:00 Opening – **Meir Linzen**, President, IJL

09:15 Keynote Address: **Michael Eisenberg,** Co-Founder and General Partner, Aleph; Special Envoy and Advisor to the Prime Minister

Interviewed by: *Colonel (res.)* ***Pnina Sharvit-Baruch****, Vice President, IJL; Senior Researcher at the Institute for National Studies (INSS), Israel*

09:45 Elections

10:15 **Iran Lawfare**

Moderator: ***David Benjamin***

Strategic Brief: Dr. **Raz Zimmt**, Director of Iran and the Shiite Axis Program; Co-editor of Strategic Assessment, INSS journal, The Institute for National Security Studies (INSS): "*Iran's Malign Activities After a Year of Upheaval*"

Prof. **Irwin Cotler,** IJL Board Member and Former Minister of Justice, Canada

Dr. **Shlomit Wagman**, former Chair of Israel Money Laundering and Terror Financing Prohibition Authority

Hernán Najenson, Presidente de la Asociación de Abogados de la República Argentina (AAJRA)

Heather Trew, Senior Vice President & Counsel, Illicit Finance, American Bankers Association

11:30 Coffee break

12:00 **Roundtable on Contemporary Issues**

Moderator: ***Meir Linzen****, President, IJL*

Irit Kohn, former President and Board Member, IJL

Justice Prof. **Elyakim Rubinstein** – Former Deputy President, the Supreme Court of Israel

Prof. **Yedidia Stern,** President of the Jewish People Policy Institute (JPPI), Israel

Josh Halpern, Chief Legal Officer & General Counsel, Board of Peace

13:15 Lunch

14:30 **Legal Tool-chest for Combating Antisemitism**

Moderator and Panelist: ***Talia Naamat****, Head of the Legal Center for Combating Antisemitism, IJL: "Using Every Legal Avenue in the Bar Harel Case"*

Prof. **Fabiana Di Porto**, President, Associazione Italiana Avvocati e Giuristi Ebrei (AGE); Professor of Law and Technology: "*From Exclusion to Accountability: The Keshet Case and the Legal Toolbox Against Antisemitism in Italy"*

James Libson, Senior Partner, Mishcon de Reya LLP, UK: "*Developing a Strategic Legal Approach to Dealing with Post 7 October Antisemitism*"

Jacques Cohen, President, Comité Français de l'Association Internationale des avocats et Juristes Juifs*: "Updates from France"*

David Lipkin, Chairman of Jewnited, Latvia: "*Recent Case Law on Combating Antisemitism in Latvia"*

Rhonda Lees, Vice President, American Association of Jewish Lawyers and Jurists: "*Grand v. University Heights: Religious Freedom at Home and Access to Justice* "

15:45 **Optional activities**

- Workshop: "*Business Boycotts Targeting Israeli Companies and Investors*", with Dr. **Roy Schondorf**, Former Deputy Attorney General, Israel and **Ben Wahlhaus**
- National Library of Israel Tour
- Israel Museum Tour

19:45 **Festive Dinner Event**

David Citadel Hotel

Keynote address - Justice **Daphne Barak-Erez,** Supreme Court of Israel: *"Judging and Justice in the Hebrew Bible"*

20:15 Dinner



Tuesday, November 3

The Israel Museum, 11 Derech Ruppin, Springer Auditorium

08:40 Registration and light refreshments at the Upper Hall

09:00 Keynote Address: Major General **Itay Offir**, Military Advocate General: "A Law-Abiding Army at War: Challenges and Dilemmas"

In loving memory of Daniel Reisner

09:30 **International Law, Israel and the New World Order**

Moderator: Colonel (res.) ***Pnina Sharvit-Baruch****, Vice President, IJL; Senior Researcher at the Institute for National Studies (INSS), Israel*

Prof. **Yuval Shany,** Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Dr. **Roy Schondorf**, Former Deputy Attorney General, Israel

Prof. **Laurie Blank**, Clinical Professor of Law and Director, International Humanitarian Law Clinic, Emory Law School

Dr. **Gilad Noam**, Deputy Attorney General (International Law), Ministry of Justice, Israel

10:45 Coffee Break

11:15 **Antisemitism on University Campuses: The Challenge of Free Speech, Hate Speech and Unprotected Speech**

Moderator: Sir ***Clive Freedman****, international arbitrator, formerly High Court Judge: Chairman UK Association of Jewish Lawyers (UKAJLJ)*

Prof. **Pamela Nadell,** Patrick Clendenen Chair in Women's and Gender History, American University

Prof. **Georges Haddad,** Honorary President, Pantheon Sorbonne University

Prof. **Yaffa Zilbershatz**, Former Dean of the Faculty of Law and Deputy President of Bar-Ilan University; Former Chair of the Planning and Budgeting Committee of the Council for Higher Education in Israel

Ariela Di Gioacchino, Chairperson, World Union of Jewish Students (WUJS)

Ofir Dayan, Head of Antisemitism and Delegitimization Research Team, INSS; Author of Intifada Globalized

12:30 Lunch

13:45 **Confronting Antisemitism in the Era of Social Media and AI**

Moderator: ***Sharon Banyan****, Chief Executive Officer, IJL*

Lior Weintraub, Head of Public Policy, TikTok Israel

Dr. **Shlomit Lir**, Researcher, University of Haifa and Bar-Ilan University

Hadas Yogev Hart, Co-Founder & CEO, HereForGood

15:00 **Closing Remarks**
Meir Linzen, President, IJL
Prof. **Irwin Cotler,** IJL Board Member and Former Minister of Justice, Canada

15:45 **Optional activities**

- Workshop: "*Teaching Holocaust and Law: From Memory to Legal Responsibility",* with **Rachel Levitan**, Vice President, IJL, and Prof. **Lior Zemer,** Dean, Harry Radzyner Law School, Reichman University, Herzliya
- Knesset Museum Tour

- Program is subject to change
- All presentations are in English
- All meals are kosher

Conference Moderators

Ben Wahlhaus
Talia Naamat

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