



INVITATION

Online Conference & Study Presentation

Israel and Europe: How do we perceive each other?

**Tuesday,
15 March 2022**

**10.30 am
to 12.00 pm**
(Brussels, CET)

**11.30 am
to 1.00 pm**
(Jerusalem, IST)

**Online Conference
(Zoom)**

The EU and Israel share the same values of democracy, freedom and the rule of law. Both have strengthened their political and economic cooperation under the EU-Israel Association Agreement and the European Neighbourhood Policy. Yet, are these positive developments on the official level reflected in the peoples' attitudes towards one another?

The new study, titled "Israeli's attitudes towards the EU and Germany", authored by Prof Dr Gisela Dachs and carried out in cooperation with the Hanns Seidel Foundation and the European Forum of the Hebrew University Jerusalem, provides extensive answers to this question. Namely, it sheds light on the attitude and behaviours of Israelis towards Europe, and vice versa.

The representative survey informs us on the extent to which Israelis feel a sense of belonging to Europe, whether they perceive the EU as a role model, how the EU-Israel relationship has been perceived over the last decades, and whether Israel's population would like to see the EU playing a stronger role in the Middle East.

We cordially invite you to join us for the presentation of the study's main insights and to discuss implications for policymakers and stakeholders alike.

Conference languages: English and German (with simultaneous interpretation)

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Programme

- 10.30 (Brussels)
11.30 (Jerusalem) Introductory remarks
Markus FERBER
*Chairman of the Hanns Seidel Foundation and
Member of the European Parliament*
- 10.35 (Brussels)
11.35 (Jerusalem) Presentation of the study: “Israeli’s attitudes towards the EU and Germany”
Prof Dr Gisela DACHS (Presenter and Moderator)
*Professor and Lecture at the European Forum at the
Hebrew University Jerusalem*
- Julia OBERMEIER** (Presenter)
*Resident Representative,
Hanns Seidel Foundation Israel/Palestinian Territories*
- 10.50 (Brussels)
11.50 (Jerusalem) Reactions and discussion with Q&A
Antonio LÓPEZ-ISTÚRIZ WHITE
*Member of the European Parliament,
Chair of the European Parliament's Delegation for relations with Israel*
- Matthijs SCHÜSSLER**
Executive Director, European Leadership Network - EU & NATO
- Dr Daniel MAHLA**
*Research Associate and Coordinator at the Centre for Israel Studies at the
Department of History at the Ludwig Maximilian University*
- 11.55 (Brussels)
12.55 (Jerusalem) Concluding remarks
Dr Thomas LEEB
Director, Brussels Office of the Hanns Seidel Foundation
- 12.00 (Brussels)
1.00 (Jerusalem) End of online conference