

Projects in 2019 preparing the foundation of a German-Israeli Youth Office

Towards the Future of German-Israeli Youth Exchange...

Call for Projects: Invitation to design German-Israeli projects in the process of foundation of the German-Israeli Youth Office

Background

Organized programs for encounters between young people from Germany and Israel exist for more than 60 years. A vast number of organizations are realizing hundreds of exchange programs each year, in the field of youth exchange, student exchange as well as through voluntary services. As many as 10,000 young people visit the respective other country annually and get to know its people, culture, history and everyday life. They become young ambassadors that will report about the latest insights in both societies and contribute to a mutual understanding. This way they uphold German-Israeli relations for the future.

In October 2018 the German Federal Minister for Family Affairs, Senior Citizens, Women and Youth Dr. Franziska Giffey and the Israeli Minister of Education Naftali Bennett agreed on the foundation of a German-Israel Youth Office. The relations between young people in Germany and Israel shall become even closer, deeper and more numerous.

"We have agreed to found a German-Israeli Youth Office, because we are convinced that history is also a mission for the future. More than half a century after the Holocaust, we want to lay the foundation for passing on knowledge from generation to generation. It is important that young people in Germany and Israel develop a common, realistic picture of the past and the present. Only then will it be possible to shape the future together." (Dr. Franziska Giffey, Press release, Federal German Ministry for Family Affairs, Senior Citizens, Women and Youth, October 4, 2018)

The Federal Ministry for Family Affairs, Senior Citizens, Women and Youth (BMFSFJ) will realize different projects throughout 2019, that would accompany the foundation of a German-Israeli Youth Office. One of these planned projects is the following call for applications for funding of selected encounter projects in the year 2019. ConAct – Coordination Center German-Israeli Youth Exchange is responsible for the implementation of this project.



Call for funding of selected projects in the year 2019

Towards the Future of German-Israeli Youth Exchange - Call for Projects 2019

The "Call for Projects 2019" is aimed at active and interested organizations in the collaborative work of German-Israeli exchanges. The target is, to actively engage German and Israeli organizations working in youth- and specialists exchanges, as well as in related fields from the German-Israeli youth contacts, in the foundation of a German-Israeli Youth Office. In bilateral encounter projects, the following questions could and should be discussed, and their results must be documented:

- How can your organization meaningfully accompany and contribute to the foundation of a German-Israeli Youth Office, in the framework of a bilateral encounter project in Germany or Israel?
- Which topics are moving young people in both countries today, what connects them? Which new- or further formats of encounter, exchange, cooperation and shared future should be developed?
- Which means of communication, public relations and networking should be used, developed or expanded?
- What basic conditions for support and funding are necessary, to meaningfully realize German-Israeli exchange projects?
- Where and how can further resources be ascertained and developed, in addition to public funding?
- What should the future of the German-Israeli youth contacts look like? How can these wishes, ideas or visions of young people be depicted in image, sound and film?

For the implementation of an encounter project with youth /specialists in the year 2019, the most convincing projects will be provided with the following funding:

- ➤ Travel costs to Germany or Israel in the amount of € 360,- per Person
- Maximal number of 20 participants per project equal number of participants from each country
- Project duration of maximum 7 days and minimum 5 days per project, including days of arrival and departure; combined with a daily rate of 40 € per participant, whether from Germany or from Israel, in either of the countries
- ➤ Share of costs for documentation of results of up to 800 €
- ➤ Coverage of language mediation (translation / interpretation) costs up to 2,000 €
- > Funding: A maximum of 12,000 € per encounter project in Israel or Germany



Criteria for the selection of the most convincing projects

Bilateral collaboration: Application in the framework of a German-Israeli partnership / cooperation; attendance of all participants from Germany and from Israel on site during the entire duration of the program

- Substantial conceptualization: Focus on one topic / a gathering of topics / a leading question, which contribute in replying the above-mentioned questions
- > A program outline including time, content and methodological components
- Planning of a visible documentation of the results, and their provision for the process of foundation of a German-Israeli Youth Office
- Youth Associations are kindly invited to use this call to apply for funding for their overriding German-Israeli collaboration, and withdraw their applications for projects from the regular funding of 2019

Process of application and transfer of the subsidies

- The applications must be submitted by the German project partners.
- Applications within the framework of "Call for Projects 2019 Towards the Future of German-Israeli Youth Exchange ", are to be submitted latest by the 31.07.2019 by the German Partner organization to the responsible Association- and State Central Offices in Germany.
- ✤ Time for the realization of the projects: 01.07. 31.12.2019.

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