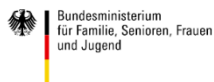




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Facing Diversity – Living Diversity in Germany and Israel

Professional Exchange Forum on German-Israeli Youth Exchange in Theory and Practice

Current Developments – Remaining Challenges – New Materials

The anniversary of the relations between Germany and Israel in the year 2015 marked both new and existing long-lasting linkages for German-Israeli youth contacts. The Federal Ministry for Family Affairs, Senior Citizens, Women and Youth, ConAct and the Israel Youth Exchange Authority have now put a focus on one of those key aspects: Life in open and democratic societies has for decades been an important topic in German-Israeli education and exchange programs and is at the same time in need for new actions and measures.

The project “Living Diversity in Germany and Israel”, which is mainly funded by the German federal program “Live Democracy!” aims at developing a German-Israeli educational network of organizations and professionals who wish to actively deepen the consciousness of democratic values in youth work and exchange projects. The project aims to increase the awareness of the existing diversity – such as in cultural, religious and sexual orientation, ethnic and social belonging and physical and mental abilities – in both countries.

Since more than a year, the project “Living Diversity in Germany and Israel – Challenges and Perspectives for Education and Youth Exchange “ has been offering a platform to professionals and organizations to exchange and discuss on diversity-conscious educational approaches, reflect upon educational strategies, develop materials for youth exchange and expand their network including new target groups.

As part of a mid-term review of the project it is now important to reflect on the achieved results: Which valuable insights could participants and contributors gain in the discourse on diversity and pluralism in both countries until now? Which are focal points of discussion and where can similar or differing perspectives be described? Which implications can be derived for common educational work? What remains to be done in order to achieve the goals of networking, qualification and motivated action for diversity-conscious and democratic educational work?

We cordially invite interested partners, team leaders and youth workers of German-Israeli exchange programs and non-formal education to take part in this professional forum for networking and exchanging ideas – right in the middle of the year 2017!

Program

10.00

Welcome

Christine Mähler,

ConAct – Coordination Center for German-Israeli Youth Exchange

Opening of the Professional Forum

Caren Marks

Undersecretary of State at Federal Ministry for Family Affairs, Senior Citizens,
Women and Youth

Tsach Saar

Representative of the Israeli Embassy in Berlin

10.30

Israel and Germany in the Presence – Current Challenges in Society and Education

Volker Beck

President of the German-Israeli parliamentary group

Prof. Doron Kiesel

Director of the Educational Department at the Central Council of Jews in Germany,
Member of the Advisory Council in the Project “Living Diversity”

11.00

Living Diversity in Germany and Israel – Challenges and Perspectives for Education and Youth Exchange

Mid-term evaluation of the project “Living Diversity”:

Bilateral discourses – current issues

Ilira Alia, ConAct – Project Living Diversity

Falko Kliewe, ConAct – Project Living Diversity

11.30

Coffee & Break

12.00

German-Israeli cooperation in exchange and education - Diversity-consciousness and democracy-focused education as goals?

Impulses

Dr. Meron Mendel, Educational Center Anne Frank, Frankfurt

Orit Nahmias, Actress, Israel/Berlin

Panel

- Dr. Thomas Feist, Member of the German Federal Parliament

- Orit Nahmias, actress, Israel/Berlin
- Jan Holze, German Sports Youth
- Susanne Schwarzenberg, Standing Conference of the Ministers of Education and Cultural Affairs of the German Federal States – Section of International Exchange Projects
- Prof. Dr. Eyal Naveh, University of Tel Aviv
- Dr. Heiko Geue, German Federal Ministry for Family Affairs, Senior Citizens, Women and Youth

Moderation: Dr. Alexandra Nocke, Cultural Scientist, Berlin

13.30 **Snack & Break**

14.15 ***Establishing and Strengthening Awareness for Diversity - Inspirations from Theory and Practice for German-Israeli Exchange Programs***
Workshops – framed by two impulses from education and exchange

1. *Commemorating Together and Relating to the Present – Dealing with the Diversity of Narratives in German-Israeli Encounters*

Guests: Dr. Elke Gryglewski,
House of the Wannsee Conference, Memorial and Educational Site
Amram Aklum, Educator, Israel
Member of the Advisory Council of “Living Diversity”

2. *Racism and Antisemitism in Germany as a Migration Society – Implications for German-Israeli Exchange Programs*

Guests: Aycan Demirel, *Kreuzberg Initiative against Antisemitism*
Rinske Reiding, *Anne Frank Center, Berlin*

3. *Diverse Identities on stage – Working with Theater and Dance in German-Israeli Encounters*

Guests: Cirsten Behm, Theaterworkshop No Limit, Berlin
Renate Krekeler-Koch, Ludwig Wolker-House Berlin

4. *Strengthening Democratic Competences & Awareness for Diversity – Empowerment in Youth Work and Youth Exchange*

Guests: Robert Stark, Project ‘Dialog at School’
Mariam Awad, Jugendbewegung „Noar Oved“, Israel,
Member of the Advisory Council of „Living Diversity”

15.45 **Coffee & Break**

16.00

***Awareness for Diversity and Democracy Education in Germany and Israel –
What needs to be done?***

Round Table with Impulses & Panelists from Politics, Education and Exchange

Impulse:

Immanuel Benz, German Youth Council

- Kerstin Griese, Member of the German Federal Parliament
- Ron Zohar, Association of Scouts in Israel – HaZofim,
Member at the Advisory Council for ‚Living Diversity‘
- Hellmut Königshaus, German-Israeli Friendship Society
- Keren Pardo, Volunteer Association, Israel
- Norbert Kron, Journalist & Author, Berlin

Moderation: Bernhard Krane, Educator

Closing Remarks:

Ariella Gill, Israel Youth Exchange Authority

Christine Mähler, ConAct– Coordination Center for German-Israeli Youth Exchange

17.30

End of the Professional Forum

Participation

The participation at the professional exchange program is free of charge.

Lunch and coffee break refreshments will be provided for all participants.

Travel costs cannot be covered.

Registration

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