

## Program outline

<b>12:30</b>	<b>Registration opens</b>
<b>1:00 - 2:30</b>	<p><b>Opening Session: Unpacking the Dangerous Pre-October 7th Misconceptions</b></p> <p>The horrific Hamas terror attacks on October 7th have left Israelis hurt, traumatized, and feeling unsafe. As 134 hostages still remain in captivity in Gaza, and as a war rages on, more and more Israelis are taking to the streets, blaming Netanyahu for the events of October 7th and the lack of progress on a hostage deal.</p> <p>What were the security and foreign policy conceptions that failed? How did these core beliefs within Israeli society and the halls of power lead to October 7th? Could the attacks have been prevented? Can future attacks be prevented through a different understanding of the dynamics in the region?</p> <p><b>Panel discussion with Rebecca Metzger, Nadav Weiman, Mauricio Lipchik, and Dr. Gil Murciano and moderated by Maytal Kowalski</b></p>
<b>2:45 - 3:45</b>	<b>Workshops</b>
	<p><b>Resisting De Facto Annexation, Promoting the Two-State Solution: Peace Now's Vision and Actions Towards a Better Path Forward</b></p> <p>With Mauricio Lipchick of Peace Now</p> <p>Since October 7th, the Netanyahu-Smotrich-Ben Gvir government has continued, and even accelerated, its trend of land grabs, establishment of new illegal outposts, and provocations in the West Bank. In this session, Mauricio will delve into the dynamics behind these actions, highlighting their impact on the prospects for a two-state solution. He will outline Peace Now's vision for achieving a two-state solution and discuss the critical role of the movement and the Israeli peace camp in promoting meaningful progress. Drawing on insights from Peace Now's renowned Settlement Watch team, Mauricio will offer strategic perspectives on countering annexation efforts and advancing the cause of a two-state solution.</p>
	<p><b>Presenting the Israeli Initiative: A Roadmap for Long-Term Security</b></p> <p>With Dr. Gil Murciano of Mitvim: The Israeli Institute for Regional Foreign Affairs</p> <p>The Israeli Initiative aims to turn the tragedy of October 7th and the ensuing war into a political turning point between Israel, the Palestinians, and the Arab World. This three-phase roadmap stands out as the first comprehensive alternative published in Israel since the beginning of the war.</p>

	<p>It serves as a feasible policy plan for those who have long opposed the government's policies and its unwillingness to offer, or even deal with, political planning for the day after.</p>
	<p><b>Myths and Facts about Gaza: The Past, the Present, and How We Move Forward</b></p> <p>With Rebecca Metzger of Gisha: The Legal Center for Freedom of Movement</p> <p>Under the fog of war, and with the propaganda machines on overdrive on all sides, it's hard to parse out what is fact and what is fiction, what is meant to harm, and what is meant to provide solutions. Rebecca Metzger, Director of International Relations of Gisha, will separate myth from fact, and offer practical steps Israel, its partners on the ground, and its international allies can take to alleviate the suffering.</p>
	<p><b>This is How We Fought in Gaza: Israel Must Rethink its Military Strategy</b></p> <p>With Nadav Weiman and Luiz Aberbuj of Breaking the Silence</p> <p><i>Description forthcoming</i></p>
<b>3:45 - 4:15</b>	<b>Coffee break</b>
<b>4:30 - 6:00</b>	<p><b>Closing Session: The Road to a Safer Shared Future for All</b></p> <p>We know a two-state solution is necessary. But is it possible? What are the short-term and long-term steps that could lead us there? What can/should the international community do to support the process? What could Canada do and how can our Jewish community here in Canada help?</p> <p><b>Panel discussion with Rebecca Metzger, Nadav Weiman, Mauricio Lipchik, and Dr. Gil Murciano and moderated by Gabriella Goliger</b></p> <p><b>Closing remarks by Jon Allen, former Canadian Ambassador to Israel</b></p>