



Civil Society Forum on **COMBATING ANTISEMITISM AND FOSTERING JEWISH LIFE**

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PROGRAMME

TUESDAY, 1 APRIL 2025

11:00 – 13:00 **Welcome and Registration**

12:30 – 13:30 **Lunch**

13:30 – 14:00 **Opening session**

Opening by **Dr. h.c. Katharina von Schnurbein**, Coordinator on Combating Antisemitism and Fostering Jewish Life, European Commission

Message by **Magnus Brunner**, Commissioner for Internal Affairs and Migration, European Commission

Keynote by **Elisabeth Werner**, Deputy Secretary-General, Policy Coordination, European Commission (SG)

Conversation with **Emily Bowman**, World Jewish Congress

Introduction of the agenda by Moderator of the day, **Jacki Davis**

Picture moment of plenary speakers engaged by the moderator

14:00 – 15:00 **Plenary session: Jewish life in Europe since 7 October 2023**

Moderator: **Jacki Davis**

Presentation: **Dr. Jonathan Boyd**, Executive Director, Institute for Jewish Policy Research

Speakers:

- **Yonathan Arfi**, President, Representative Council of French Jewish Institutions - Conseil Représentatif des Institutions juives de France
- **Ariella Woitchik**, Director of European Affairs, European Jewish Congress
- **Hanna Veiler**, Former President, German Union of Jewish Students - Jüdische Studierendunion Deutschland

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Open floor discussion

15:00 – 15:15

EU funding opportunities

Presentation: **Srd Kisevic**, Deputy Head of Unit, Citizens and EU Values, European Education and Culture Executive Agency (EACEA)

15:15 – 15:45

Networking coffee

15:45 – 17:30

Workshops round 1 - Parallel sessions

- 1. The rise of antisemitism online since 7 October 2023**
- 2. Research on Jewish life and antisemitism**
- 3. Addressing radicalisation and ensuring the security of Jewish communities**
- 4. Holocaust distortion and remembrance**

17:30 – 18:00

Plenary session

Feedback from the workshops Day 1

18:00 – 19:00

Networking reception

19:00 – 22:00

Dinner & Music

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WEDNESDAY, 2 APRIL 2025

08:30 – 09:00 **Welcome and Registration**

09:00 – 10:45 **Workshops round 2 – Parallel sessions**

1. How to rebuild bridges?
2. CSO involvement on victims' rights and the registration of incidents since 7 October 2023
3. Safeguarding Jewish culture and heritage: moving from collecting to education
4. Empowering teachers and students in educational settings

10:45 – 11:15 **Networking coffee**

11:15 – 12:50 **Closing Plenary**

1. Feedback from the workshops Day 2
2. Closing session: Jewish life in Europe, the way forward

12:50 – 13:00 **Closing remarks**

13:00 – 14:00 **Lunch**

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