



The 1st *liberal* CONGRESS

Jan. 28-29 | Expo Tel Aviv

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MQG IN ISRAEL

28.1.2026 - Day 1

13:00-13:45 Entrance and Registration

13:45-15:00

Hall A10

Opening Panel - What is Liberalism?

Moderator: Adv. Rotem Bavli-Dvir, Head of the Law Division, The Movement for Quality Government

Speakers:

Dr. Tomer Persico, Senior Researcher at the Shalom Hartman Institute, Author of the book: Liberalism, its Roots, Principles, and Crises

Prof. Yofi Tirosh, The Faculty of Law, Tel Aviv University and the Hartman Institute in Jerusalem

15:00-16:30 | Parallel sessions

Hall A2

Liberalism and Rule of Law

Moderator: Adv. Tomer Naor, VP Legal Affairs and Strategy, Movement for Quality Government in Israel

Panelists:

Retired Judge, Prof. Hanan Melcer, Former Deputy President Supreme Court of Israel, President of the Council of Journalists and Media in Israel | Prof. Ariel Porat, President, Tel Aviv University | Prof. Mordechai Kremitzer, Faculty of Law, Hebrew University, Senior Fellow, Israel Democracy Institute | Prof. Yoav Dotan, Chair in Public Law, Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Prof. Neta Ziv, Vice President and Faculty Member, Faculty of Law, Tel Aviv University

Hall A3

Liberalism, Economy, and the Free Market

Moderator: Ms. Meirav Arlosoroff, Journalist, TheMarker

Panelists:

Prof. Jacob Frenkel, Winner of the Israel Prize in Economics, Former Governor of the Bank of Israel

Ms. Elah Alkalay, Chair, IBI Mutual Funds | Ms. Alona Bar-On, Publisher, Globes | MK Vladimir Beliak, Yesh Atid Party | Lily Ayalon CPA, Former Senior Executive in the business and public sectors

Hall A4

Liberalism and Security

Moderator: Maj. Gen. (Res.) Prof. Amos Gilad, Head, Institute for Policy and Strategy, Reichman University

Panelists:

Deputy Commissioner (Ret.) MK Yoav Segalovich, Yesh Atid Party | Maj. Gen. (Res.) Orna Barlevi, Former Head of the Manpower Division in the IDF, Former Minister of Economy and Industry | Former Head of the Mossad Tamir Pardo | Former Head of Shin Bet Carmi Gillon | Lt. Gen. (Res.) Dan Halutz, Former IDF Chief of Staff

Hall A5

Liberalism, Education, and Academic Freedom

Moderator: Dr. Shahaf Gal, CEO of the Movement for Quality Government

Panelists:

Prof. Aaron Ciechanover, Nobel Laureate in Chemistry | Prof. Rivka Carmi, Former President, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev | Prof. Michal Feldman, Tel Aviv University | Rabbi Shai Piron, President of Panim Movement, Former Minister of Education | Prof. Noga Kronfeld-Shur, Rector, Tel Aviv University | Professor Yaara Bar-On, Dean of the College of Management

Hall B10

The Need for a State Commission of Inquiry

Moderator: Mr. Yizhar Shai, Former Minister of Science and Technology

Panelists:

Mr. Eyal Eshel, Father of Observer Roni Eshel | Ms. Hagit Chen, Mother of Staff Sgt. Itay Chen, who was taken hostage to Gaza and returned after 760 days for burial | Ms. Einav Zangauer, Mother, Citizen | Maj. Gen. (Res.) Noam Tibon, Founder of the Defensive Shield for Israel Forum

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16:30-17:00 Coffee Break

17:00-18:30 | Parallel sessions

Hall A2

The Danger of Fascism in a Liberal State

Moderator: Dr. Ido Baum, Faculty of Law, College of Management; Legal commentator, TheMarker

Panelists:

Retired Judge, Prof. Hanan Melcer, Former Deputy President Supreme Court of Israel, President of the Council of Journalists and Media in Israel | Prof. Ariel Porat, President, Tel Aviv University | Prof. Mordechai Kremitzer, Faculty of Law, Hebrew University, Senior Fellow, Israel Democracy Institute | Prof. Yoav Dotan, Chair in Public Law, Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Prof. Neta Ziv, Vice President and Faculty Member, Faculty of Law, Tel Aviv University

Hall A3

Tyranny as a Threat to Freedom of Expression and the Public's Right to Know

Moderator: Mr. Ben Caspit, Journalist, Author, and Commentator, the State, Politics, and Security at Maariv

Panelists:

Prof. Jacob Frenkel, Winner of the Israel Prize in Economics, Former Governor of the Bank of Israel

Ms. Elah Alkalay, Chair, IBI Mutual Funds | Ms. Alona Bar-On, Publisher, Globes | MK Vladimir Beliak, Yesh Atid Party | Lily Ayalon CPA, Former Senior Executive in the business and public sectors

Hall A4

The Danger of the Disinformation Era to Liberal Governance

Moderator: Mr. Micah Friedman, Journalist and Israeli Television Personality

Panelists:

Adv. Moshe Lador, Former State Attorney | Dr. Ronen Bergman, New York Times, Yedioth Ahronoth, Pulitzer Prize Winner for his account of the war | Prof. Karin Nahon, Dean of the Sammy Ofer School of Communications, Reichman University | Mr. Ron Shamir, Former Division Head, Shabak | Ms. Hadass Klein, Citizen

Hall A5

The Threat of Woke Progressivism to the Liberal State

Moderator: Ms. Einav Galili, Journalist, Television Presenter, and Radio Host

Panelists:

Prof. Yossi Shain, Head of the School of Political Sciences at Tel Aviv University | Dr. Yoav Fromer, Head of USA Research Institute, Faculty of Social Sciences, Tel Aviv University | Prof. Daphne Haker, Lawyer and Sociologist, Tel Aviv University | Mr. Nadav Tamir, CEO Jstreet Israel | Rabbi Noa Sattath, Reform Rabbi and CEO of the Associate for Civil Rights in Israel

Hall B10

Sharing the Burden of IDF Service Equally

Moderator: Brig. Gen. (Res.) Re'em Aminach, Member of the Board at the International Research Center at Tel Aviv University, INSS, Member of the Matkal Forum

Panelists:

Maj. Gen. (Res.) Dan Harel, Former Deputy Chief of Staff of the IDF | Lt. Col. (Res.) Oren Shvil, Founder, Brothers in Arms | Dr. Rotem Sivan-Hoffman, Leader of the Ima Era Movement

Lobby

Live Podcast

"Adler Hosts"

Host: Guy Adler

Guests:

David Kahan

Leah Lev

Uri Bard

19:00-20:00

Hall A10

Celebratory Panel-Welcomes

Moderator: Lucy Aharish, Journalist, Actress, and Television Presenter

Speakers:

Justice (Ret.) Aviva Procaccia, Former Supreme Court Judge, President of the Movement of Quality Government

Prof. Aaron Ciechanover, Nobel Laureate in Chemistry

Adv. Dr. Eliad Shraza, Founder and Chairman, Movement for Quality Government, Co-Chair Constitution for the Homeland Forum

20:00-21:00 Greetings:

Signers:

Mr. Ron Huldai, Mayor of Tel Aviv-Jaffa

Lieutenant General (Ret.) Gadi Eisenkot, Chairman of the Yesh Atid Party

Maj. Gen. (Res.) Yair Golan, Chairman of the Democrats Party

MK Yair Lapid, Head of the Opposition, Former Prime Minister

MK Chief of Staff (Res.) Benny Gantz, Former Defense Minister and former Chief of Staff

Throughout the Congress, a wide range of public participation activities will take place, including live podcast recordings and more.

29.1.2026 - Day 2

8:30-9:30 Entrance and Registration

9:30-10:30

Hall A10

Opening Panel - The Need for A Written Constitution

Moderator and Panelist: Prof. Barak Medina, Faculty of Law, Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Speakers:

Prof. Suzie Navot, Vice President Israel Democracy Institute

Prof. Yaniv Roznai, Rubinstein Center for Constitutional Challenges, Reichman University

Ms. Tzipi Livni, Former Minister of Foreign Affairs and Justice

10:30-11:30

The Constitution for the Homeland Project

Moderator and Panelist: Adv. Dr. Eliad Shrada, Founder, Chairman Movement For Quality Government, Co-Chair Constitution for the Homeland Forum

Speakers:

Justice (Ret). Dr. Ayala Procaccia, Former Supreme Court Justice, President of the Movement for Quality Government

Justice (Ret.) Meni Mazuz, Former Supreme Court Justice, Former Attorney General

11:30-11:45 Coffee Break

11:45-13:15 | Parallel sessions

Hall A2

How the Past Informs our Current Constitution

Moderator: Boaz Shapira, Lauder School of Government, Diplomacy and Strategy, Reichman University

Panelists:

Prof. Uriel Reichman, Founder, Reichman University | Adv. Uriel Lin, Chairman of the Knesset Committee of Constitution, Law and Justice in the 12th Knesset and Author of the book "The Birth of a Revolution" | Prof. Yaffa Zilbershatz, Former Director of Higher Education and Chair of the Council's Planning and Budgeting Committee Bar-Ilan University, Vice President Bar-Ilan University | Prof. Ariel Bendor, Faculty of Law, Bar-Ilan University and the Jewish People Policy Institute | Prof. Eric Carmon, Educator, Founder Israel Democracy Institute

Hall A3

Constitution and Human Rights

Moderator: Prof. Michal Tamir, Professor of Law and Head of the Master's Program, Sha'arei Mishpat Academic Center for Law and Science; former President of the Israeli Association for Law and Society.

Panelists:

Prof. Noa Rimmelt, Faculty of Law, University of Haifa | Prof. Yuval Shany, Former Dean of the Faculty of Law, Hebrew University in Jerusalem | Prof. Adam Shinar, Harry Radzyner School of Law, Reichman University | Dr. Meital Pinto, Dean of the School of Law at Safed Academic College | Prof. Osnat Akirav, Professor of Political Sciences, Head of the Research Institute for Western Galilee College

Hall A4

Constitution, Religion, and The State

Moderator: Prof. Gila Stopler, Former Dean of Law, the Academic College for Law and Business

Panelists:

Rabbi Dr. Shraga Bar-On, Head of Research, Shalom Hartman Institute | Rabbi Yuval Cherlow, Head of Yeshiva "Orot Shaul" and Head of the Center for Ethics at Tzohar | Ms. Tehila Friedman, Public Figure, Former MK in Blue and White, Head of the Libba Center, One Hundred Initiative | Emir Muhammad Sharif Odeh, Head of the Ahmadiyya Islamic Community | Ms. Anat Hoffman, Chairwoman of Women of the Wall, Head of the Reform Center for Religion and State

Hall A5

Constitution, Separation of Powers, and Broad Oversight

Moderator: Merav Betito, Journalist, Investigative Reporter, and Television Presenter

Panelists:

Dr. Amir Fuchs, Senior Researcher at the Israel Democracy Institute | Ronit Levin-Schnorr, Faculty of Law, Tel Aviv University | Adv. Dina Zilber, Former Deputy Attorney General | MK Moshe Tur Paz, Yesh Atid Party | Adv. Iris Shmueli, Member of the Board, Movement for Quality Government

Hall B10

Protest, Police, and Violence

Moderator: Prof. Simon Perry, Vice Chairman of the Movement for Quality Government

Panelists:

Commissioner (Ret.) Moshe Karadi, Former Commissioner, Israel Police | Cmdr. (Ret.) Shlomit Korem | Col. (Res.) Udi Uri | Cmdr. (Ret.) Ami Eshed, Former Commander of the Tel Aviv District

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Constitution and the Judicial Coup

Moderator: Adv. Amit Becher, Chairman of the Israel Bar Association

Panelists:

Prof. Eyal Winter, Center for the Study of Rationality, Hebrew University in Jerusalem | Adv. Dan Meridor, Former Minister of Justice | Prof. Gabriela Shalev, Former Israeli Ambassador to the UN | Prof. Mohammed Wattad, President of the Ramat Gan Academic College | Prof. Avichai Mandelblit, Former Attorney General of Israel

Constitution, Defense of the Government Apparatus and AI

Moderator: Mr. Dror Globerman, Journalist

Panelists:

Prof. Isaac Ben-Israel, Head of the Cybersecurity Center at Tel Aviv University | Prof. Eirad Ben Gal, Researcher at Tel Aviv University | Dr. Tomer Shadmi, Tel Aviv University | Prof. Niva Elkin-Koren, Faculty of Engineering, Tel Aviv University | Prof. Eran Toch, Faculty of Engineering, Tel Aviv University

Constitution and Constituent Assembly as a Solution to the Crisis

Moderator: Justice (Ret.) David Cheshin, Former President of the Jerusalem District Court

Panelists:

Prof. Netta Barak-Corren, The Faculty of Law, Hebrew University of Jerusalem | Prof. (Emeritus) Yosef Adrai, Faculty of Law, University of Haifa | MK Adv. Efrat Rayten, The Democrats | Dr. Yael Shomer the Faculty of Social Sciences, Tel Aviv University | Prof. Ofer Kenig, Israel Democracy Institute, Ashkelon Academic College

Hall A5

Constitution, Industry, Trade, Pensions, and Hi-Tech

Moderator: Mr. Sammy Peretz, Journalist, Former Editor in Chief TheMarker, Print and Digital

Panelists:

Dr. Shmuel Harlap, Businessman, Entrepreneur, Owner of Colmobil Group | Dr. Nadien Baudot-Trachtenberg, Former Deputy Governor, Bank of Israel | Maj. Gen. (Res.) Ilan Biran | Prof. Itai Ater, Tel Aviv University, Head Economists for Democracy Forum | Mr. Natan Hetz, Business Executive and Entrepreneur, Owner of Aloni Hetz Company, Amot, and Energix

Hall B10

Constitution and The Protection of Minorities in Society

Moderator: Adv. Nidal Haik, Founder and CEO Lawyers for the Advancement of Good Management

Panelists:

Brig. Gen. (Res.) Amal As'ad, Druze-Israeli, Leader of the protest to amend Basic Law-The Nation State | Adv. Gaby Lasky, Former MK from Meretz, Human Rights Activist, Social and Political Activist in Israel | MK Rabbi Gilad Kariv, The Democrats

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13:15-14:00 Coffee Break

15:45-18:30

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Roundtables on the Constitution & Activism

18:30-19:30 Happy Hour

19:30-20:00

Hall A10

Final Panel

Moderator: Adv. Michael Partem, Deputy Chair, Movement for Quality Government

Speakers:

Mr. Lior Shlein, Free Israel

Major (Res.) Ami Ayalon, Former Head of the Shin Bet

20:00

Special Guest Performance

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