



Federal Foreign Office



**10<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE  
OSCE'S BERLIN CONFERENCE ON ANTI-SEMITISM**

**HIGH-LEVEL COMMEMORATIVE EVENT AND  
CIVIL SOCIETY FORUM**

**12-13 November 2014  
Weltsaal, Federal Foreign Office, Berlin**

**AGENDA**

**12 NOVEMBER 2014 – CIVIL SOCIETY FORUM ON ANTI-SEMITISM**

09:00 – 09:30

**OPENING SESSION**

*Welcome Remarks:*

**Felix Klein**, Ambassador, Special Representative for Relations with Jewish Organisations, Federal Foreign Office, Germany

**Heidi Grau**, Ambassador, Head of the OSCE Chairmanship Task Force, Swiss Federal Department of Foreign Affairs

**Rabbi Andrew Baker**, Personal Representative of the OSCE Chairperson-in-Office on Combating Anti-Semitism

**Cristina M. Finch**, Head, Tolerance and Non-Discrimination Department, OSCE Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights

09:30 – 11:00

**PLENARY SESSION**

*Panellists:*

**Dániel Bodnár**, Chariman of the Board, Action and Protection Foundation, Hungary

**Ilja Sichrovsky**, Founder and Secretary-General, Muslim-Jewish Conference (MJC)

**Jane Braden-Golay**, President, European Union of Jewish Students (EUJS)

**Hanne Thoma**, Coordinator, Task Force Education on Antisemitism, Germany

**Karen Polak**, Project Manager, Anne Frank House, Netherlands

**Vitalii Bobrov**, Coordinator of Educational Programs, Ukrainian Center for Holocaust Studies

**Moderators:**

**Deidre Berger**, Director, American Jewish Committee (AJC) Berlin Ramer Institute for German-Jewish Relations, United States of America

**Juliane Wetzel**, Senior Researcher and Senior Staff Member, Center for Research on Antisemitism, Technical University Berlin, Germany

11:00 – 11:30 Coffee Break

11:30 – 13:00 **WORKING GROUPS**

***Working Group I: Strengthening Political Leadership in the Fight against Anti-Semitism***

**Roger Cukierman**, President, Representative Council of Jewish Institutions in France (CRIF)

**Jardena Lande**, Director, Inter-parliamentary Coalition for Combating Antisemitism (ICCA)

**Wade Henderson**, President and CEO, The Leadership Conference on Civil and Human Rights, United States of America

**Yury Kanner**, President, Russian Jewish Congress

**Moderator: Sergey Lagodinsky**, Head of Department EU/North America, Heinrich Boell Foundation, Germany

***Working Group II: Challenges to the Security of Jews and Jewish Communities***

**Ron Azogui**, Chief Executive, Jewish Community Protection Service (SPCJ), France

**Elisa Massimino**, President and CEO, Human Rights First, United States of America

**Michael Whine**, Government and International Affairs Director, Community Security Trust (CST), United Kingdom

**Jonathan Alexander Fischer**, Vice Chairman, The Jewish Community in Denmark

**Moderator: Tomáš Kraus**, Executive Director, Federation of Jewish Communities in the Czech Republic

***Working Group III: Countering Anti-Semitism on the Internet***

**Jonathan Leman**, Researcher and Educator, Expo Foundation, Sweden

**Ronald Eissens**, General Director, Magenta Foundation, Netherlands

**Sacha Reingewirtz**, President, Union of French Jewish Students

**Moderator: Anton Troianovski**, Berlin Correspondent, Wall Street Journal, United States of America

***Working Group IV: The Relationship between Nationalism and Anti-Semitism***

**Solomon Bali**, President, B'nai B'rith, Bulgaria

**Ilya Lensky**, Director, Museum "Jews in Latvia"

**David Gergely**, Vice-President, European Union of Jewish Students (EUJS), Hungary

**Moderator: Christian Staffa**, Director of Studies "Democracy and Church", Protestant Academy Berlin, Germany

13:00 – 14:00

Lunch Break

14:00 – 15:30

**WORKING GROUPS**

***Working Group V: Responding to Holocaust Denial and Distortion***

**Mark Weitzman**, Director, Government Affairs, Simon Wiesenthal Center, International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance (IHRA), United States of America

**Stephan J. Kramer**, Director, European Office on Antisemitism, American Jewish Committee (AJC), United States of America

**Stefano Gatti**, Researcher, Foundation Jewish Contemporary Documentation Center (CDEC), Italy

**Eduard Dolinsky**, Director General, Ukrainian Jewish Committee

**Moderator: Alison Smale**, Berlin Bureau Chief, International New York Times, United States of America

***Working Group VI: Addressing Anti-Semitism against the Background of the Conflict in the Middle East***

**Dave Rich**, Deputy Director Communications, Community Security Trust (CST), United Kingdom

**Guy Muller**, Chief Researcher Anti-Semitism, Israel Information and Documentation Centre (CIDI), Netherlands

**Sacha Stawski**, President, Honestly Concerned, Germany (t.b.c.)

**Ido Daniel**, National Director, Israeli Students Combating Antisemitism (ISCA)

**Moderator: Sabine Simkhovitch-Dreyfus**, Vice-President, Swiss Federation of Jewish Communities

***Working Group VII: The Impact of Recent Challenges to Religious Ritual Practices***

**Dan Rosenberg Asmussen**, Chairman, The Jewish Community in Denmark

**David R. Katz**, Member, The Board of Deputies of British Jews

**Rabbi René Gutman**, Conference of European Rabbis, Chief Rabbi of Strasbourg, France

**Anna Chipczyńska**, President of the Board, Jewish Community of Warsaw, Poland

**Moderator: Alexander Hasgall**, Executive Board, Working Group of Jewish Social Democrats, Switzerland

***Working Group VIII: Fostering Civil Society Networks to Combat Anti-Semitism***

**Zainab Al-Suwaij**, Co-Founder and Executive Director, American Islamic Congress, United States of America

**Hillary O. Shelton**, Director, Washington Bureau, and Senior Vice-President, Advocacy and Policy, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, United States of America

**Mee Moua**, President and Executive Director, Asian Americans Advancing Justice (AAJC), United States of America

**Jasjit Singh**, Executive Director, Sikh American Legal Defense and Education Fund, United States of America

**Moderator: Stacy Burdett**, Government and National Affairs Director, Anti-Defamation League (ADL), United States of America

15:30 – 16:00 Coffee Break

16:00 – 18:00 **PLENARY SESSION**

***Panellist:***

**Gideon Behar**, Ambassador, Director of the Department for Combating Antisemitism, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Israel

***Moderators:***

**Deidre Berger**, Director, American Jewish Committee (AJC) Berlin Ramer Institute for German-Jewish Relations, United States of America

**Juliane Wetzel**, Senior Researcher and Senior Staff Member, Center for Research on Antisemitism, Technical University Berlin, Germany

18:45 **Bus transfer to the Embassy of Switzerland  
Otto-von-Bismarck-Allee 4, 10557 Berlin**

19:30-21:30 **Reception hosted by the Embassy of Switzerland and the Federal Foreign Office of Germany**

## 13 NOVEMBER 2014 – HIGH-LEVEL COMMEMORATIVE EVENT

- 10:30 – 11:00      **OPENING REMARKS**  
**Frank-Walter Steinmeier**, Federal Foreign Minister of Germany  
**Didier Burkhalter**, Chairperson-in-Office of the OSCE, Head of the Swiss Federal Department of Foreign Affairs  
**Michael Georg Link**, Director, OSCE Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights (ODIHR)
- 11:00 – 12:00      **HIGH-LEVEL PANEL I: From 2004 to 2014: Reflecting on Efforts Across the OSCE Region since the Berlin Declaration**
- 11:00 – 11:10      **INTRODUCTORY SPEECH by Ambassador Samantha Power**, U.S. Permanent Representative to the United Nations, Member of Cabinet  
*Panellists:*  
**Miroslav Lajčák**, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign and European Affairs, Slovak Republic  
**Lynne Yelich**, Minister of State for Foreign and Consular Affairs, Canada  
**Paavo Lipponen**, Former Prime Minister, Finland  
**Tzachi Hanegbi**, Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs of the State of Israel  
*Moderator:*  
**Melissa Eddy**, New York Times Correspondent in Berlin, United States of America
- 12:00 – 12:45      **Interventions from the Floor**
- 12:45 – 14:00      Lunch Break
- 14:00 – 15:00      **HIGH-LEVEL PANEL II: From Words to Action: Countering Contemporary Anti-Semitism**  
*Panellists:*  
**Petra Pau MP**, Vice-President, German Bundestag  
**Christian Ahlund**, Chair, European Commission against Racism and Intolerance (ECRI), Council of Europe  
**Heiner Bielefeldt**, UN Special Rapporteur on Freedom of Religion or Belief  
**John Mann MP**, Co-founder and Chairman, Inter-parliamentary Coalition for Combating Antisemitism (ICCA)  
*Chair:*  
**Michael Georg Link**, Director, ODIHR
- 15:00 – 15:30      **Interventions from the Floor**
- 15:30 – 16:00      Coffee Break

16:00 – 17:00

**CIVIL SOCIETY PANEL: Mobilizing the Base: Recommendations from Civil Society**

***Panellists:***

**Deidre Berger**, Director, American Jewish Committee (AJC) Berlin Ramer Institute for German-Jewish Relations, United States of America

**Jane Braden-Golay**, President, European Union of Jewish Students (EUIS)

**Wade Henderson**, President and CEO, The Leadership Conference on Civil and Human Rights, United States of America

**Ilja Sichrovsky**, Founder and Secretary-General, Muslim-Jewish Conference (MJC)

**Juliane Wetzel**, Senior Researcher and Senior Staff Member, Center for Research on Antisemitism, Technical University Berlin, Germany

**Michael Whine**, Government and International Affairs Director, Community Security Trust (CST), United Kingdom

***Moderator:***

**Cristina M. Finch**, Head, Tolerance and Non-Discrimination Department, ODIHR

17:00 – 17:30

**Interventions from the Floor**

17:30 – 17:40

**Reflections on the Role of Civil Society in Addressing Anti-Semitism**  
**Harlem Désir**, Minister of State for European Affairs, France

17:40 – 18:00

**CONCLUDING REMARKS**

**Rabbi Andrew Baker**, Personal Representative of the OSCE Chairperson-in-Office on Combating Anti-Semitism

**Ivica Dačić**, First Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs, Serbia