

## Europe Day Celebrations 2015

6-7 May 2015

The University of Haifa

Conveners:

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### DRAFT CONFERENCE PROGRAM

## The Idea of Europe

“Europe will not be made all at once, or according to a single plan,” proclaimed Robert Schuman, then France’s foreign minister in May 1950, in his historic declaration. 65 years on, the European Union can mark noticeable successes in maintenance of peace and economic prosperity in Europe alongside challenges – notable in Euro-skepticism and in the search for coherent defense and security politics, in face of the not far from home Syrian and Ukrainian crises. Marking Europe Day, the conference takes stock of the EU’s major achievements and looming challenges in international affairs, democratic politics and political economy. With distinguished speakers and guests from academia, politics and diplomacy from Israel, Europe and the United States, the conference explores the European Union in historical perspective – as renewed European order, following the collapse of the old in the First World War; the challenges to democracy and the rule of law within the EU today; the future of European models of capitalism beyond the financial crisis; and the EU’s international role in security and defense, with focus on the relations to the Middle East.

### Additional Program:

**Lectures and Discussion with High School Students from all backgrounds, Thursday, 7 May 2015 (14:00 – 18:00)**

**European Market, Thursday, 7 May 2015 (10:00 – 18:00)**

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Wednesday, 6 May 2014

[Venue: Sammy and Aviva Ofer Observatory, 30<sup>th</sup> floor, Eshkol Tower]

10:00-10:15 Greetings

**Gustavo Mesch** (Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Haifa)

**Eli Salzberger** (Director, Haifa Center for German and European Studies, University of Haifa)

**Michael Gross** (Director, School of Political Sciences, University of Haifa)

10:15-11:45 Panel 1 – The EU, Democracy, and the Rule of Law

**Gayil Talshir** (The Hebrew University of Jerusalem)

**Amichai Magen** (Interdisciplinary Center Herzliya)

**Gal Gerson** (University of Haifa)

11:45-12:15 Coffee Break

12:15-13:15 Keynote 1

**Simon Glendinning** (London School of Economics and Political Science)

13:15-14:45 Lunch Break

14:45-16:15 Panel 2 – Political Economy of the EU

**Tal Sadeh** (Tel Aviv University)

**Werner Puschra** (Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung)

**Luigiandrea Pratolongo** (The Delegation of the European Union to Israel)

16:15-16:30 Coffee Break

16:30-17:30 Keynote 2

**Fania Oz-Salzberger** (University of Haifa)

Thursday, 7 May 2015

[Venue: Student Building Auditorium, Room 101, Student Building]

09:30-10:30 Panel 3 – Perspectives of Security and Defense

**Zach Levey** (University of Haifa)

**Rachel Suissa** (University of Haifa)

10:30-11:00 Coffee Break

11:00-12:30 Panel 4 – Europe's External Relations

**Sharon Pardo** (Ben Gurion University of the Negev)

**Udi Eiran** (University of Haifa)

**Marc Gallagher** (The Delegation of the European Union to Israel)

12:30-14:00 Lunch Reception (for invitees only)

[Venue: 0 Floor, Student Building]

14:00-15:00 Keynote 3: Under the Auspices of the School of History

**Jay Winter** (Yale University)

*Imagining war in the 20<sup>th</sup> century and beyond - Writing War*

15:00-15:15 Coffee Break

15:15-16:15 Dialogue: "The EU-Israeli Relations"

**Lars Faaborg Andersen** (The Delegation of the European Union to Israel)

**Avivit Bar-Ilan** (Israeli Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Israel) (tbc)

16:15-16:30 Coffee Break

16:30-18:00 Roundtable: "Europe and the Middle East - New Directions?"

Moderation: **Annabel Herzog** (University of Haifa)

Ambassadors: **Andreas Michaelis** (Germany), **Pjer Simonovic** (Croatia), **Michalis S.**

**Firillas** (Cyprus) (tbc), **Leena-Kaisa Mikkola** (Finland) (tbc), **Hennadii Nadolenko**

(Ukraine) (tbc)

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