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ELNET Activities This Month



Young European Leaders Delegation at entrance of a Hamas terror tunnel



Delegates attend the Yom HaShoah Ceremony at the Knesset



At Yad Vashem ceremony, delegates together with Reza Pahlavi, Crown Prince of Iran



European Ambassadors attend dinner event with young political leaders



MK Tsega Melaku speaks at dinner event for Ambassadors and young political leaders



Spanish Ambassador to Israel meets with ELNET-Israel CEO Emmanuel Navon



Warsaw Ghetto Uprising 80th Anniversary Daffodil Campaign led by ELNET

Young European Leaders Delegation:

This month ELNET hosted a delegation of young European leaders in Israel. The delegation, organized in partnership with the Israeli Ministry of Foreign Affairs, brought 12 young and promising politicians from Belgium, Croatia, Germany, Italy, Lithuania, the Netherlands, Romania, Slovenia, and Sweden. As part of their trip, the delegation attended the official Yom HaShoah ceremonies at Yad Vashem and at the Knesset, which delegates expressed as being a deeply meaningful and profound experience. The delegation also had the opportunity to meet with MKs from the opposition and coalition, were briefed by the International Spokesperson of the Israel Police on the ongoing terror attacks being perpetrated nearly daily, and visited an Iron Dome defense system battery. At the border with Gaza, the delegation had the rare chance to descend into the depths of a Hamas terror tunnel that had been constructed to carry out terror attacks inside Israel's borders. The delegates also attended an exclusive dinner together with the European Ambassadors to Israel from their countries.

[Watch i24NEWS interview with one of the delegates.](#)

[Watch the impressions of a delegate from inside a Hamas tunnel.](#)

Warsaw Ghetto Uprising Daffodil Campaign: Polish and Israeli diplomats around the world came together to commemorate the 80th anniversary of the Warsaw Ghetto Uprising. ELNET led to their inclusion by inviting the Foreign Ministries of both Poland and Israel to join the Daffodil Campaign of the POLIN Museum. Thanks to ELNET's initiative, over 100 Polish and Israeli ambassadors across the globe shared pictures together with the yellow daffodil in commemoration of the heroes of the Warsaw Ghetto Uprising.

European Diplomats and Politicians Event: ELNET held an exclusive dinner for European Ambassadors to Israel from the countries represented in the young leaders delegation. The meeting between the seasoned diplomats and the future political leaders of Europe led to fascinating discussions on the future of geopolitics and the relations between European countries, Israel, and the region. Speaking at the dinner, which was hosted at the private executive lounge of ELNET-Israel Board Member Sani Sanilevich, was MK Tsega Melaku and Mayor of Hod Hasharon Amir Kochavi.

Spanish Ambassador to Israel: ELNET-Israel CEO Emmanuel Navon met with the Strategic Dialogue in Israel in June.

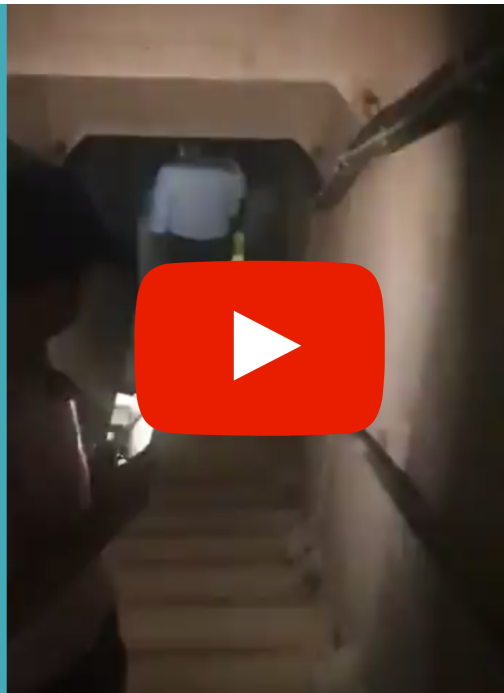
Latest Video Releases



Exclusive interview for ELNET with young European leaders delegate, Belgian MP Theo Francken, who serves as the Special Rapporteur of the Special Group on the Mediterranean and Middle East of the NATO Parliament. He talks about his recently published preliminary report on Iran which will be debated at the NATO Parliament



MK Gideon Sa'ar will be attending the EIPC and invites you to join him there!



Delegates share their impressions of entering into a Hamas terror tunnel: Despite the years and millions of dollars that Hamas spent constructing these tunnels intended to terrorize Israel, "Israeli technology will always beat them"

ELNET in the Press



Jerusalem Post

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*Op-Ed by ELNET-Israel CEO
Emmanuel Navon*



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ELNET's 3rd International Policy Conference

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VIP SPEAKERS

<p>ELNET INTERNATIONAL POLICY CONFERENCE 2023 PARIS MAY 8-10</p> <p>SPEAKER CONFIRMED</p> <p>THE IHRA DEFINITION: STILL A LONG WAY TO GO</p> <p>Katharina von Schnurbein European Commission Coordinator on Combating Antisemitism</p> <p>TUESDAY, MAY 9TH, 2023 3:15PM-4:30PM</p> <p>www.eipc2023.com</p>	<p>ELNET INTERNATIONAL POLICY CONFERENCE 2023 PARIS MAY 8-10</p> <p>SPEAKER CONFIRMED</p> <p>ISRAEL'S CONSTITUTIONAL DEBATE: MAJORITY RULE VS. THE RULE OF LAW?</p> <p>MP Gideon Sa'ar Member, Foreign Affairs and Defense Committee, Knesset; former Minister of Justice</p> <p>TUESDAY, MAY 9TH, 2023 3:15PM-4:30PM</p> <p>www.eipc2023.com</p>	<p>ELNET INTERNATIONAL POLICY CONFERENCE 2023 PARIS MAY 8-10</p> <p>SPEAKER CONFIRMED</p> <p>WHAT STRATEGY FOR A THRESHOLD IRAN?</p> <p>Dr. Ebtesam al-Ketbi President and Founder, Emirates Policy Center (EPC)</p> <p>TUESDAY, MAY 9TH, 2023 11:00AM-12:30PM</p> <p>www.eipc2023.com</p>
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A few days ago, Israel commemorated Holocaust Memorial Day (Yom HaShoah); Memorial Day for the Fallen Soldiers and Victims of Terrorism (Yom HaZikaron); and Independence Day (Yom HaAtzmaut). During Yom HaShoah, ELNET hosted a delegation of young and promising European parliamentarians from across the continent, who attended the official Yom HaShoah ceremony at Yad Vashem, Israel's Holocaust Museum. The ceremony, as well as the siren honoring the victims, left a deep impression on them. The delegation was also hosted for dinner by our Board Member, Sani Sanilevich, who regaled us with his outstanding homemade wine.

This year, the ceremonies for Yom HaZikaron were opened by Rabbi Leo Dee, whose wife Lucy and two daughters –Maia and Rina— were murdered by a terrorist during Passover. The tragedy has shaken the nation. Rabbi Dee's courage and dignity have owed him respect and admiration around the world. British Foreign Secretary James Cleverly wrote to Rabbi Dee: "There can be no justification for such senseless and abhorrent violence, and I unequivocally condemn this act of terrorism. The UK remains steadfast in our commitment to work with the Israeli authorities, and all parties in the region, to bring an end to the terrorism that Israel faces, and the cycle of violence which, as we have seen all too clearly, is so destructive."

On Yom HaAtzmaut, the Air Forces of the United States, the United Kingdom, Germany, and Italy participated in Israel's Independence Day flyover. This was not only a symbol of friendship, but also a reminder of the importance of Israel's military ties with Europe. On Independence Day, the Polish Parliament was lit up in the colors of Israel's flag –a testament to the critical role that ELNET has played to restore relations between Israel and Poland. The President of the European Commission, Ursula von der Leyen, recorded a special message of congratulations to Israel. So did the Heads of State of Germany, Hungary, and Latvia. These shows of friendship and support are unprecedented.

One of ELNET's new priorities is to have Israel become a full member of the European Sky Shield Initiative (ESSI), a German-led project whose purpose is to strengthen NATO's Integrated Air and Missile Defence by facilitating the multinational acquisition and integration of a broad range of air defence capabilities by European countries. ELNET will not be able to help integrate Israel into ESSI without your generous support.

I look forward to seeing you all in Paris next week, and to bringing - together with you - the Europe-Israel relations to new achievements and new heights.

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

- ELNET's 3rd International Policy Conference
- Brussels Forum - ELNET is one of the partners
- Herzliya Conference - ELNET is a partner and will be hosting a roundtable
- Delegation of Lords from the UK
- Central Eastern Europe Delegation
- Delegation of Members of the European Parliament
- 5th Spanish-Israel Dialogue
- Delegation of Members of Parliament from Germany
- Delegation of Journalists from the UK
- European Delegation on Climate

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