



Call for Papers: EAIS 8th Annual Conference on Israel Studies

Democracy in Challenging Times: Israel, Europe and the World

Charles University, Prague

8 - 10 September 2019

Introduction:

The EAIS 8th Annual Conference on Israel Studies will take place from Sunday, 8 September to Tuesday, 10 September 2019 at the Faculty of Arts, Charles University, Prague. The conference will be held in English.

The aim of the conference is to bring together international scholars from a variety of disciplines, who are engaged in research in any aspect of Israel Studies – including, but not limited to, Politics, Literature, Security, Minorities, Social Studies, History, Migration Studies, Gender Studies, Economics, Law, Religion, Anthropology, Language, Culture, Film, Music and Art.

Conference Themes:

The EAIS 8th Annual Conference will examine the current state of Israel and its historical development by focusing on several changes that are presently challenging the contemporary democracies. The rise of populisms (on the right and left side of the political map) questions the origin of states and raises issues concerning identity, borders, culture, political party systems and the formation of elites.

The conference aims to address the general issues relating to these challenges to democracy as well as more specific questions such as:

- To what extent are fundamental human values and principles evolving both in terms of substance and perception?
- Do the changes occurring in the contemporary world provide new ways to conceptualize the idea of democracy in the past and the present?
- How do old and new patterns of global migration challenge our perceptions of national and individual self-identity?
- How can we conceptualize the relation between culture, nation, globalization, capital and politics in the past and in these challenging times?

This is an open call for panels and papers. We encourage applications from established scholars



as well as PhD students working on all aspects of Israeli history, society, politics and culture. This broad topic is intended to reinforce the multilingual and multidisciplinary nature of Israel Studies.

Key Dates:

In a departure from previous EAIS Annual Conference calls we have published, we would like to invite EAIS members to propose, in the first instance, titles for panels which they are happy to chair and / or on which they are happy to present a paper. These panel proposals may include a confirmed list of presenters, or simply a panel title which, if approved by the EAIS Annual Conference Selection Committee, would be made available for other prospective presenters to join with a relevant paper.

The deadline for panel proposals is: Sunday 24 February 2019.

Once the panel titles have been confirmed, we will invite you to submit your paper proposals relating to one or more of the panels.

The deadline for papers is: Sunday 24 March 2019

The EAIS has a limited number of stipends available to junior scholars attending the conference without institutional support.

The deadline for stipend applications is: Sunday 21 April 2019

Instructions for Submission:

Both panel and paper proposals are to be submitted via our website: www.israelstudies.eu

Panel proposals can be submitted here now: <http://www.israelstudies.eu/panel-title-proposals-eais-8th-annual-conference-on-israel-studies/>

Once we have our list of confirmed panel titles, we will publish further instructions here for submitting paper proposals for these panels.

In case of any difficulties, please contact info@israelstudies.eu

How do I register for the Conference?

Online registration will open on the EAIS website in April 2019. The conference fees remain unchanged from last year, as follows:

EAIS Member delegate rate	£100
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Non-member delegate rate	£175
EAIS Member student rate	£50
Non-member student rate	£80

Financial Support

To make a request for financial support, please complete the online application form, via our website: <http://www.israelstudies.eu/stipend-application-eais-8th-annual-conference-on-israel-studies/>

Contact Details

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