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The Israeli Association for the Study of European Integration (IASEI)
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The EU studies program at the School of Political Science, Government and International Affairs, Tel Aviv University
and
The Frances Brody Institute for Applied diplomacy
cordially invite you to the

Israeli Association for the Study of European Integration 2024 Annual Conference

Thursday | December 5, 2024 | 08:30-19:00 | Naftali Building

(attending participants in bold font)

08:30	Registration and coffee
09:00	<p>Welcome Greetings: Prof. Tal Sadeh, President IASEI, EU studies program, Tel Aviv University Prof. Emeritus Alfred Tovias, Co-Founder of the Association, Hebrew University of Jerusalem Prof. Milette Shamir, Vice President, International, Tel Aviv University</p>
09:15	<p>Panel I: The Role of the East Mediterranean for EU's Energy Security (parallel session, Hall 003) Chair: Prof. Lior Herman, Hebrew University of Jerusalem Dr. Elai Rettig, Bar Ilan University: <i>The East Mediterranean's Role in EU Energy Security Following the Wars in Ukraine and Gaza</i> Prof. Arie Reich and Igor Klotsman, Bar Ilan University: <i>The East Mediterranean Gas Forum as a Platform for a Regional Energy Treaty</i> Dr. Yossi Mann, Bar Ilan University: <i>Energy Security: The Case of the "Swords of Iron" War</i> Discussant: Prof. Lior Herman, Hebrew University of Jerusalem</p>
09:15	<p>Panel II: Political Economy Issues (parallel session, room 206) Chair: Prof. Arie Krampf, Academic College of Tel Aviv Yaffo Prof. Tal Sadeh, Gal Bitton and Yuval Hirshorn, Tel Aviv University and Benjamin Dassler Ludwig Maximilian University of Munich: <i>Bank-Supervision and blame avoidance in Germany</i> Dr. Hila Levi, Hebrew University of Jerusalem: <i>Ideologist Technocrats: Reconciling the Contradictory Concepts of Ideology and Technocracy: Evidence from the European Central Bank Staff Members</i> Dr. Rachel Frid, Ono Academic College: <i>EU Economic Sanctions and the Rule of International Trade Law</i> Discussant: Prof. Arie Krampf, Academic College of Tel Aviv Yaffo</p>



10:30	<p>Panel III: Israel's Contemporary Environmental Challenges: Strategies and Solutions (parallel session, Hall 003) Chair: Dr. Hila Levi, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem Tamar Zandberg, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev: <i>Israel's Role in East Mediterranean Shared Climate Action</i> Maya Jacobs, Climate Net: <i>From Devastation to Opportunity: Implementing Climate Solutions in the Reconstruction of War Torn Communities</i> Adam Schalimtzek, Ministry of Environmental Protection: <i>European Integration: Aligning Israel's Environmental Licensing with EU Standards</i> Discussant: Dr. Roee Kibrik, Yezreel Valley College and the Mitvim Institute</p>
10:30	<p>Panel IV: Presentation of Two New Books on the EU (parallel session, room 206) Chair: Prof. Sharon Pardo, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev <i>This is Indeed Europe: Israel and the European Union</i> (in Hebrew) Dr. Hila Zahavi, Ben Gurion University of the Negev and The Open University of Israel Ambassador Aharon (Ronny) Leshno-Yaar, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev Prof. Sharon Pardo, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev <i>The European Union as a Normative Power: The Role of the CJEU</i> Dr. Yuval Reinfeld, Reichman University and Ben-Gurion University of the Negev Discussant: Prof. Sara Kahn-Nisser, The Open University of Israel</p>
12:00	<p>Coffee Break</p>
12:15	<p>Keynote speech (Hall 003) Prof. Emeritus Assaf Razin, Tel Aviv University, affiliated with NBER (USA), CEPR (Europe) and CESifo (Germany) <i>The Transition to Illiberal Democracy: Economic Drivers and Consequences</i></p>
13:15	<p>Lunch Break</p>
14:15	<p>Roundtable: Whither European-Israeli Relations? (Hall 003) Chair: Prof. Emeritus Gerald Steinberg, Bar Ilan University Dr. Roby Nathanson, Macro Center for Political Economics Ohad Cohen, former head of the Foreign Trade Administration at the Ministry of Economy Prof. Guy Harpaz, Hebrew University of Jerusalem Dr. Maya Sion Tzidkiyahu, Tel Aviv University, Hebrew University of Jerusalem and Mitvim Institute Dr. Hila Zahavi, Ben-Gurion University and the Open University of Israel</p>
16:15	<p>Coffee Break</p>



16:30	<p>Panel V: Historical Research on the EC and the EU (parallel session, Hall 003) Chair: Prof. Gadi Heimann, Hebrew University of Jerusalem Prof. Emeritus Alfred Tovias, Hebrew University of Jerusalem: <i>European Integration and Raison d'Etat: Overcoming Public Sentiment in Dealing with West Germany after 1949</i> Prof. Sharon Pardo, Ben Gurion-University of the Negev and Dr. Hila Zahavi, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev and The Open University of Israel: <i>The History and Importance of European Integration Studies in Israel</i> Naama Barak, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem: <i>Between a Rock and a Hard Place: Why the European Community found itself in trouble over the 1979 Egypt-Israel Peace Treaty</i> Discussant: Prof. Gadi Heimann, Hebrew University of Jerusalem</p>
16:30	<p>Panel VI: Governance Issues at the International, European, National and Municipal Levels (parallel session, room 206) Chair: Dr. Daniel Wajner, Hebrew University of Jerusalem Dr. Eyal Rubinson, Ariel University and Dr. Tal Dingott, Hadassah Academic College: <i>Signaling Virtue: The Role of Legitimacy and Reputation in NATO's Enlargement Strategies</i> Dr. Emmanuelle Blanc and Yuval Finkel University of Haifa, and Dr. Steffen Hagemann, Technical University Kaiserslautern: <i>Unpacking Constructive Criticism: The Case of the European Response to Democratic Backsliding in Israel</i> Ina Kubbe, Tel Aviv University: <i>Corruption, Populist Rule and Democratic Backsliding in Europe: Case Studies from Hungary, Poland, and Italy</i> Einat Elazari, Hebrew University of Jerusalem: <i>Mapping Essential Components of Urban Climate Experiments-The Cases of Vienna's Graetzlmarie and Stockholm's Congestion Tax</i> Discussant: Dr. Daniel Wajner, Hebrew University of Jerusalem</p>
18:00	<p>Concluding remarks (Hall 003) Prof. Emeritus Alfred Tovias, Co-Founder of the Association, Hebrew University of Jerusalem</p>
18:15	<p>IASEI General Assembly (Hall 003)</p>

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