GERMAN-ISRAELI FUTURE WORKSHOP

Germany's and Israel's International Green Agendas BERLIN, May 9th-11th, 2014



Action seminar on German and Israeli green agendas and Scenario workshop on if and how to complement each other.

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Why international green politics?

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What is international green politics?



How does implementation look like?

Germany's and Israel's Green International Agendas!

- Fireside chat with
 - Prof. Uriel Safriel. Chair of the Committee of Science and Technology and Israeli Focal Point to the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD)
 - Ronnie Cohen-Ginat. Israeli Focal Point to the U.N. Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC), Ministry of Environmental Protection
 - Walter Engelberg. Head of Sector Project Desertification at the German Society for International Cooperation (GIZ)
 - Facilitated by Eric Marx. Journalist

At the exclusive Permanent Representation of the Federal State Saxony

- Speakers from German and Israeli (public) institutions and practitioners from Federal Foreign Office, German and Israeli Ministries of Environment, Konrad-Adenauer-Foundation, Jewish National Fund (KKL-JNF), Free University of Berlin
- Scenario workshop on a pressing issue figuring out your best approach how to deal with it.

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Friday, May 9th, 2014

Program

1 Arrival Until 17:00

2 Welcome and get-to-know of participants 17:30-18:00

Fireside chat on 18:00-19:30

Green Agendas – Common Agendas? – Germany's and Israel's endeavors in international green politics

- Welcome addresses by
 - Emmanuel Nahshon, Minister Israeli Embassy
 - Reinhold Robbe, President of the German-Israeli Society
 - Dr. Schaul Chorev, Principal Emissary of KKL-JNF in Germany
- *Professor Uriel Safriel*. Chair of the Committee of Science and Technology and Israeli focal point to the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD)
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Welcome reception From 19:30

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Saturday, May 10th, 2014

Program

| | 1 | Introduction Seminar Day | 09:00-17:00 |
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| | 2 | What are national dimensions/ determinants of Germany's and Israel's environmental politics and what are its implications for the international agenda? ¹ | 09:30-12:00 |
| | | 2.1 Dr. Nadine Mensel. Konrad-Adenauer-Foundation | 09:30-10:15 |
| Break Lunch | | 2.2 Andrew Smith. International Climate Protection, Federal Ministry of the Environment | 10:15-11:00 |
| | | 2.3 Dr. Klaus Jacob. Research Director Environmental Policies, Free University of Berlin | 11:10-12:00 |
| Break | 3 | How is the political agenda translated to an international level? 1 | 13:00-14:30 |
| | | 3.1 Ronnie Cohen-Ginat. Israeli Focal Point to the UNFCCC, Ministry of Environmental Protection | 13:00-13:45 |
| | | 3.2 Jan-Axel Voss. International Climate and Environmental Policy, Foreign Office | 13:45-14:30 |
| | 4 | How does implementation of the green agenda look like?¹ | 15:00-16:30 |
| | | 4.1 Katharina Rimpler. Initiative "Half-Time Vegetarians" | 15:00-15:45 |
| | | 4.2 Dr. Schaul Chorev. Principal Emissary of the Jewish National Fund (KKL-JNF) in Germany | 15:45-16:30 |
| | 5 | Wrapping-up the day/ Outlook Seminar Day 3 | 16:30-17:00 |
| Dinner | | | Page 4 |

¹Spearheaded by impulse speeches of participants

Sunday, May 11th, 2014

Program

| 1 | Introduction Seminar Day | 09:00-09:30 |
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| 2 | Scenario workshop | 09:30-11:30 |
| | 2.1 Evaluate similarities and common traits | |
| | 2.2 Compose policy paper to encourage cooperation | |
| | 2.3 Develop ideas of future cooperation | |
| 3 | Presentation and outlook from scenario workshop | 11:30-12:00 |
| 4 | Wrapping-up the seminar | |
| 5 | Departure | From 13:00 |

Background and aim of the workshop

We invite young people from Israel and Germany to try new paths

Hundreds of young people from Germany and Israel are engaged with the respective other country for a multitude of reasons. They live and work there and collect intensive experiences. We want to use this potential of ideas and vivid experiences to define the presence and future of German-Israeli relations for the young generation. The German-Israeli Future Workshop of the German-Israeli Society's Young Forum aims at picking up developments of bilateral relations and marking new possible courses.

In irregular workshops we invite young people from Israel and Germany to develop ideas and try new paths for the presence and future. In an annual seminar we aim at picking up notions of German-Israeli bilateral relations and thus showcase the diversity of those relations.

Experiences and practices of Germany and Israel shall be compared

This year's seminar of the German-Israeli Future Workshop is organized in cooperation with greenXchange on Israel's and Germany's International Green Agendas. Experiences and practices of both countries shall be compared, especially with a view on international politics. Further aim is to exchange best practice ideas, respectively generate bilateral learning effects. Next to the reflection of global and national necessities for becoming active, programs and projects to meet respective challenges, i.e. regarding climate change, are going to be addressed.

Seminar content is going to be presented by external speakers and participants. Part of the seminar makes a scenario workshop which enables a deepened and interactive discussion. A detailed documentation is going to result from the workshop describing content and conclusions drawn. The documentation is going to be published on the internet pages/ in print publications of the cooperation partners.

Questions to be addressed

What are national dimensions/ determinants of German and Israeli environmental politics and what are its implications for the international agenda?

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- What are national and international driving/ motivational factors?
- How does society influence the green agenda?
- What role does the phenomenon climate change play?
- How do other countries' policies influence formulation of national goals?
- How are economic aspects taken into account?

How is the political agenda translated on the international level?

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- How do determinants of international agendas influence green international politics?
- What role does the green agenda play compared to other policies?
- How are non-state actors involved in respective political activities?
- How can global/ inter-governmental cooperation support enforcement?
- Why can national politics conflict with translation of international politics?

How does implementation of the green agenda look like?

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- Which projects proved especially effective/ best-practices?
- What are current and future implementation projects?
- How is the private sector/ society involved into implementation?
- How are addressees selected?
- How can sustainable implementation for addressees be ensured?
- How is knowledge transfer guaranteed?



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