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JCC GLOBAL 2015

WORLD CONFERENCE NOV. 3-6

AMITIM-FELLOWS CONFERENCE NOV. 1-6

JERUSALEM • ISRAEL

The 9th World Conference of JCC Global
in conjunction with

Amitim- Fellows- A Global Leadership Network
2nd Conference

November 1-6, 2015

"Jewish Peoplehood – from Vision to Action"

Jewish Peoplehood –*Klal Israel*- is an ancient concept that is very relevant today. It connects Jews historically to past and future generations; geographically, ethnically and culturally to Jews in other countries; and religiously to Jews who may belong to different denominations or those who are not religiously observant at all. It assumes a shared past and longs for a shared destiny. While it does not have a prescribed road map, many will agree that it adds richness and meaning to the personal lives of the individuals involved, strengthens the local Jewish community and creates a sense of shared responsibility.

In this conference we are going to discuss and debate the concepts and precepts of Jewish Peoplehood and then look for ways of implementing them in our JCCs. In light of recent

events in Europe and elsewhere, we will learn about the challenges facing many Jewish communities and find out how they develop community resilience. We are going to showcase the *Amitim*-Fellows' global projects and think together on how to widen the network based on their experience. We will meet, speak and get to know Jewish leaders, the world over, who are dedicated to the prosperity of Jewish communal life. Thus, we will add another milestone to the continued vitality and purpose of the worldwide movement of JCC Global.

Conference Goals:

1. To further nurture and revitalize the worldwide movement of JCCs by learning and debating Jewish Peoplehood concepts, with leading scholars and experts.
2. To explore practical ways of how to bring Jewish Peoplehood to your JCC, how to expand your Jewish Peoplehood tool kit and how to connect with global affinity groups.
3. To meet the *Amitim*-Fellows' network and learn about the achievements and challenges of implementing 7 global projects.
4. To acquire tools on how to strengthen community resilience in light of current global and local events.
5. To network with peers and colleagues from all over the world.

The conference is open for Executive Directors of JCCs, Presidents of JCCs, senior staff members of JCCs, senior lay leaders of JCCs and senior personnel of JCC networks and organizations who work with JCCs.

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Program Draft

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Sunday, November 1st

All day	Arrival of Fellows and guests. Check in at the Yehuda Hotel, Jerusalem
4:00 pm	Conference registration opens
6:30 pm	Opening event and dinner for *Amitim*-Fellows and honoured guests at one of Jerusalem's Community Centers Guest speaker – inspirational scholar from a leading field of interest (TBD)
9:30 pm	Return to hotel

Monday, November 2nd

7:00 am	Breakfast at hotel Mentors available for consultation (optional)
8:30 am	Reacquainting *Amitim* – Fellows Depart for an outdoor team building workshop: - Networking - Team work - Building our interpersonal and intercultural communication skills using improvisation and humour
1:00 pm	Lunch on site
2:30 pm	The role of the JCC in building and shaping community leadership - experiencing the Jerusalem model - track visits to grass root organizations followed by panel discussion with senior leadership from the Jerusalem Municipality
5:00 pm	Return to hotel and free time
6:00 pm	Free evening – group dinners with project partners

Tuesday, November 3rd

7:00 am	Breakfast at hotel Mentors available for consultation (optional)
8:30 am	Learning from corporate global companies how to successfully implement global projects
10:00 am	Coffee Break
10:30 am	Global projects time

- Working on problem solving (Samoan Circle activity)
- A time for Fellows to continue developing projects: budget, communication, curriculum, Jewish Peoplehood in our JCCs

12:30 pm Lunch

1:30 pm Expanding our toolkit- suggestions:
Fundraising session
Crowdsourcing for NGOs
Other?

2:30 pm What's next? The day after *Amitim*-Fellows program ends

4:30 pm Free time for Fellows

Arrival of **World Conference** delegates and hotel registration

12:00 pm – 5:00 pm Optional pre-tour of Jerusalem for early arrivals to the World Conference

6:30 pm Opening event and dinner for the World Conference at the Yehuda hotel, Jerusalem:

6:30-7:00 Cocktail

7:00-8:00 Dinner

8:00-9:30 Evening Program:
Cultural interludes
Welcome and Greetings
Recognition of UJA Federation of New-York
Recognition of donors
Cultural interludes
"Jewish Peoplehood in the next Millennium / for the Next generation", Key note speaker, TBD (Binyamin Lau / Michah Goodman / Ruth Calderon ?)
Cultural interludes

9:30 pm End of day

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Wednesday, November 4th

7:00 am	Breakfast at hotel Fellows present their project at breakfast tables (optional)
9:00 am	Welcome to the program and Shir Shel Yom
9:30 am	Opening Plenary "Jewish Peoplehood – From Theory to Action" – Panel of Leaders, Chaired by Jane Gellman- an in informal Q and A setting: - North America - Stephan Hazan Arnoff, JCCA - Israel - Aviad Friedman, IACC - Latin America - Anabella Jaroslavsky, CLAM - Europe - Diego Ornique, JDC Europe - FSU - Ofer Glantz, JDC
10:30 am	Coffee Break
11:00 am	"The Dilemmas of Jewish Peoplehood" – interactive workshop led by an artist
12:30 pm	Lunch
2:00 pm	World Café Mix and match by country and professional/lay affiliation to discuss Jewish Peoplehood in action
4:00 pm	Coffee Break
4:30 pm	JGlobalTalks (to be explored) followed by
5:15 pm	Great Ideas from JCCs around the World- in a "speed dating" set up
6:15 pm	Free time
7:00 pm	Depart hotel for dinner on your own and free evening in down town Jerusalem (dinner registration in advance in order to meet new peers)
10:00 pm	Optional pick-up from down town Jerusalem

Thursday, November 5th

7:00 am	Breakfast at hotel Get to know a community you didn't know anything about at breakfast (optional)
9:00 am	"Global Perspectives on how Communities Cope with Times of Crisis: Challenges and Solutions" – Panel - Europe - Latin America - FSU - Israel
10:30 am	Jerusalem site visits by tracks. Prior registration required. Suggested themes:

1. Summer Camps
2. Cultural Arts
3. Ecology
4. Jerusalem Entrepreneurship
5. Special women's initiatives
6. Jewish Peoplehood Education
7. Religious dialogue
8. Special Needs
9. Sports
10. Teens
11. Volunteers

Lunch box provided by the hotel.

2:30 pm Open space to brainstorm on ideas regarding:
- Developing Global Networks by Affinity Groups
- Worldwide Joint Projects
- Bringing Jewish Peoplehood to your JCC

3:30 pm Coffee Break

4:00 pm Jewish Peoplehood – The Funders' perspective
Panel discussion
- Representative from UJA Federation of New-York
- Pincus Foundation
- Israeli Philanthropist
- Lay Leader(s) from the Fellows

5:30 pm Free time

6:30 pm Dinner at hotel

7:30 pm Depart for gala evening at the Israel Museum - celebrating its 50'th year anniversary.
Tour of special exhibits followed by closing event.
JCC Global: future vision and call for action – incoming President and Chair

Friday, November 6th

7:00 am Breakfast at hotel

9:00 am End of Conference

9:00 am – 1:00 pm JCC Global Board Meeting (by invitation)
Optional post-tour of Jerusalem (registration in advance. Not including lunch.)