

German-Israeli Summer Course 2010

„Diversity in Society:
Challenges for
Germany and Israel“

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Target groups

- PhD students and advanced students from Israel and Germany working on research projects relevant to the above-mentioned questions
- Members of international organizations and NGOs working on practical projects dealing with the above-mentioned questions.

All participants will provide their own analyses, research results or projects for presentation and discussion.

Perspectives

A subsequent conference is intended for 2011, hosted by the cooperation partner (Faculty of Social Sciences, University Tel Aviv / Israel)

Application

Applicants are requested to send an exposé of their project (Doctoral thesis/practical project/other research project, 1.300 words max.) under specification of their academic degree, field of studies, university and status of their project. Applications can be submitted via e-mail until 31st of march to the following address:

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Contents

The German-Israeli summer academy is dedicated to analyze and compare perspectives on diversity in German and Israeli society. The increasing pluralization of both societies is being enforced by (among others) migration and demographic changes. In addition, minorities and marginalized groups demand equality and recognition. How can societies deal with the impact of ethnic, religious, class, gender and age categories and see the positive aspects of diversity?

Questions relating to those processes that are of prior interest for the summer academy are on a socio-cultural level as well as on a political/philosophical and juridical level:

- How are diversities experienced in Israel and/or in Germany (inter-group contact, interrelations of people within private and public spaces such as workplaces or schools)?
- Which processes lead to a creation of a social hierarchy and to discrimination based on categories of differentiation?
- How do categories interact in contributing to social inequality?
- How are these processes affected by globalization?

- How are processes of immigration defined and organized?
- How are gender relations defined and organized?
- How can civil-society organizations be strengthened to fight discrimination and to promote a culture of non-discrimination and human rights?
- How are differences and identities constructed in German and Israeli government policy and public discourses?
- Which arrangements do “nation-states” (Israel, Germany) enforce and how can and how should diversity be governed?
- How can societies establish, put forward or maintain social cohesion?

Organisation

The summer academy takes place at the University of Kiel/Germany. The program entails presentations and discussions, a special workshop on diversity and democracy as well as dialogues with key figures from cultural, political and media realm. Besides Kiel as the main venue, the course will also hold meetings in Berlin and Lübeck where a cultural program will be offered, i.a. a guided city tour through “political Berlin”.

The conference language is English. Participants will receive an attendance certificate and 10 credit points. Personal contribution will be 200 € p.p. It includes housing, full board and frame program. Flights from Israel to Germany will be compensated. Accommodation will be carried out in single rooms (Kiel), respectively in double rooms (Berlin). For those Israeli students who are interested, we help to organize internships in the area of politics, culture, economy, NGOs and media or a place in a German language course either before or after the conference.

