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Zionist Federation of Ukraine (ZFU) Program Report – 2025

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Programs and Projects of the Zionist Federation of Ukraine (ZFU) in 2025

Political and public activities

Election of delegates to the 39th World Zionist Congress



The Zionist Federation of Ukraine conducted democratic elections for its delegation to the 39th World Zionist Congress, held in October 2025.

Ten Zionist parties and movements that are members of the ZFU participated in the elections.

A total of 1,676 voters were registered, of whom 1,357 cast their ballots, resulting in a turnout of over 81%, which is a very high figure for this type of election.

According to the decision of the credentials committee, Ukraine was allocated five mandates in the Congress in 2025. The ranking of movements represented in Ukraine, based on the number of votes received, is as follows: Shas, Eretz Hakodesh, Mizrachi, Ahdut – United for Israel, Likud, Confederation of United Zionists (KUZ), Arzenu, Meretz, Lavi.

The majority of votes were cast within Ukraine, while 32.5% came from abroad, from individuals who left the country after February 24, 2022.

Technical support for the election process was provided by the technical service of the World Zionist Organization (WZO).

More details about how the Ukrainian delegation elections to the 39th World Zionist Congress were conducted can be found via the provided [link](#). The results of the 39th Congress were later [presented](#) by members of the Ukrainian delegation themselves.

[A statement in support of Ukraine was issued by representatives of national Zionist federations at the 39th World Zionist Congress.](#)

Publication of the book by Yehiel Fishzon “How Many Hands Does God Have?”



A new book by poet, historian, and prominent Jewish public figure Yehiel Fishzon, titled “*How Many Hands Does God Have?*”, was published in Ukraine.

The book features poetry written after October 7, 2023, the day of the terrorist attack in Israel that claimed the lives of more than 1,200 Israelis, as well as the events that followed, including the war in the Gaza Strip.

In November 2025, two presentations of the book took place: at the Menachem Begin Heritage Center in Jerusalem and at the Ukrainian Cultural Center in Tel Aviv.

The publication was carried out as part of a project by the “Diye-Slovo” Studio and the Zionist Federation of Ukraine, with financial support from the ZFU and private sponsors.

Fourth phase of the project “Psychology of Trauma – The Israeli Experience”

More than 60 Ukrainian practicing psychologists, divided into two groups, completed a training course led by Israeli specialists. The program consisted of 32 academic hours.

Participants included psychologists working with military personnel and veterans, psychotherapists providing support to people who have lost loved ones or suffered as a result of the war, as well as child and school psychologists and other professionals.

The aim of the project was to introduce Ukrainian specialists to the expertise developed by Israeli professionals in working with individuals who have experienced trauma. The training combined both theoretical and practical sessions focused on crisis counseling and short-term therapeutic support.

The fourth phase of the project “Psychology of Trauma – The Israeli Experience” was taught by Israeli psychologists and psychotherapists Alex Gershanov, Gila Petrova, and Alex Galchinsky.

The project is implemented by the Zionist Federation of Ukraine (ZFU) in cooperation with the Israel Trauma Coalition, with the support of the JReady platform of the Jewish Agency for Israel. The media partner of the project is the “Diye-Slovo” Studio.

Festival of Jewish Knowledge



A total of 45 participants attended the Festival of Jewish Knowledge in Kamianets-Podilskyi in person, including six representatives of the local Jewish community, while 34 participants joined online.

The event was continuously streamed via Zoom.

Participants included representatives of Jewish communities from Kharkiv, Chernivtsi, Kyiv, Chernihiv, Sumy, Hlukhiv, Uzhhorod, and many other regions of Ukraine. Participants also

joined from Wrocław (Poland) and Budapest (Hungary). The Polish participants attended online, while the participant from Budapest traveled to Ukraine in person.

The event featured speakers including leaders of Jewish communities as well as historians specializing in Jewish studies.

The program included lectures and workshops dedicated to the Jewish history of various cities and towns, Jewish archival materials, the restoration of old Jewish documents, and a workshop on preserving Jewish heritage through digitization, among other topics.

In addition, a unique exhibition was presented, specially prepared for the event. It featured Jewish artifacts from the collections of the Kamianets-Podilskyi Museum-Reserve, including Torah scrolls, books from the 18th-19th centuries, jewelry, and more. These items were displayed to the public for the first time.

Participants were given a guided tour, during which they could view the artifacts and ask questions of the museum staff.

At the end of the program, participants visited the old Jewish cemetery, where they attended a special workshop on reading historical epitaphs.

A detailed guided tour was also conducted, introducing participants to the long history of the Jewish community of Podillia and the city of Kamianets-Podilskyi.

The event was held with the support of the Zionist Federation of Ukraine (ZFU) and the Dutch Jewish Humanitarian Fund.

ZFU Statements

- [Statement in support of Ukraine by representatives of national Zionist federations at the 39th World Zionist Congress](#)
- [Statement of the ZFU regarding the terrorist attack in Sydney](#)

Countering Antisemitism

Presentation of the Report on Antisemitism and Attitudes Toward Israel in Russia and Ukraine in the Context of the War (2022–2024)

Vyacheslav Likhachev, a Ukrainian historian and political scientist, member of the expert council of the Center for Civil Liberties, and head of the monitoring group on manifestations of antisemitism and xenophobia in Ukraine, prepared a report reflecting the current state of antisemitism and attitudes toward Israel in Russia and Ukraine in the context of the full-scale war.

The report was presented in Ukrainian on December 17, 2024, and in English on January 30, 2025, on the platform of the “Diye-Slovo” Studio, with the support of the Zionist Federation of Ukraine.

The report was commissioned by UCSJ (Union of Councils for Jews in the Former Soviet Union).

Memorial ceremony for the victims of the October 7 terrorist attack in Israel



On October 8, 2025, a memorial ceremony was held to honor the victims of the October 7, 2023 terrorist attack in Israel.

The event was organized by the Zionist Federation of Ukraine in partnership with the global movement “Beiteinu Olami.”

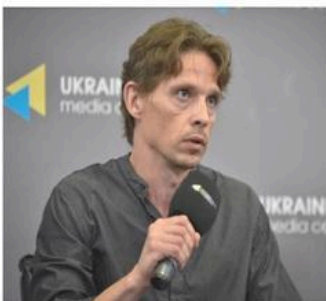
The event was streamed on the “Diye-Slovo” Studio platform and brought together participants from Ukraine and Israel who joined in commemorating the victims of the attack.

Recording of the event:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=h5TNcK64yYg>

Open course by Vyacheslav Likhachev “Antisemitism in the Context of Intellectual History”

3 25 вересня 2025, четвер
20:00 ZOOM



В'ячеслав Ліхачов

Відкритий курс

**Антисемітизм у контексті
інтелектуальної історії**

With the support of the Zionist Federation of Ukraine, the course “Antisemitism in the Context of Intellectual History” by Vyacheslav Likhachev was held.

More than 200 people registered for the course; 60 participants attended all eight lectures, successfully completed the final assessment, and received certificates.

Lecture recordings:

- Introduction: “Antisemitism in the Context of Xenophobia: General and Specific”
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pLIPhsnvtSs&feature=youtu.be>
- “Among Pagans: Antisemitism in the Ancient World”
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wAD2TxfUMn8>
- “Paradoxes of Christianity: What Church Doctrine Says About Jews and Judaism”
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Dz9QGSi35HQ>
- “The Dispute Between Isaac and Ishmael: Attitudes Toward Jews in Islam”
<https://youtu.be/DQD3TGR9vzM>
- “The Age of Reason: Enlightenment, Secularization, and the Jews”
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DPh3NgCsx3U>
- “Nazism: Racial Obsession and Other Preconditions of the Holocaust”
<https://youtu.be/6QHAMwqa-Bg>
- “After the War: How Antisemitism Emerged ‘from the Shadow of Auschwitz’s Chimneys’”
https://youtu.be/-zcGhxh_Q2w
- “Old Myths in New Forms: Key Trends in Contemporary Antisemitism”
<https://youtu.be/ESQq4DcJaBM>

International Interdisciplinary Certificate Program in Jewish Studies under the Auspices of the A. Yu. Krymsky Institute of Oriental Studies, National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine



The Zionist Federation of Ukraine is a partner of the International Interdisciplinary Certificate Program in Jewish Studies under the auspices of the A. Yu. Krymsky Institute of Oriental Studies of the National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine.

The certificate program is a two-year online academic program in Jewish Studies. It has been operating for more than 15 years, but since 2020 it has undergone significant organizational changes. More than 15 new courses have been introduced, new expert instructors have been engaged, and the approach to working with students and alumni has been rethought.

The program provides students with foundational knowledge in Jewish Studies at a level comparable to a minor within a bachelor's degree.

It enables participants to specialize in this field for further academic study or to pursue careers related to Jewish history, culture, and Jewish communities.

The program focuses on the history, culture, and literature of Eastern European Jewry, particularly Ukraine. Special attention is given to applied disciplines such as epigraphy, regional studies, archival work, and museum studies.

More information about the program is available via [the link](#). A recording of the Program's Open Day is also available via [the link](#).

Lecture series

Lecture by Yevhen Shnaider “Architecture of Synagogues in Ukraine in the 15th-18th Centuries: From Gothic to Classicism”

4 грудня, четвер, 2025
20:00 ZOOM



Євген Шнайдер

головний редактор Етнографічного фотомузею
«Мій штетл – єврейські містечка України»

Архітектура синагог України
у 15 – 18 ст.: від ГОТИКИ
ДО КЛАСИЦИЗМУ



Yevhen Shnaider, editor-in-chief of the Ethnographic Photo Museum “*My Shtetl – Jewish Towns of Ukraine*” and a graduate of the International Interdisciplinary Certificate Program in Jewish Studies, delivered a lecture titled “*Architecture of Synagogues in Ukraine in the 15th–18th Centuries: From Gothic to Classicism.*”

Lecture recording: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Okfs1CWIDCM>

The lecture was organized by the International Interdisciplinary Certificate Program in Jewish Studies under the auspices of A. Yu. Krymsky Institute of Oriental Studies of the National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine and was held on the “Diye-Slovo” Studio platform with the support of the Zionist Federation of Ukraine (ZFU).

Lecture by Prof. Yevhen Kotliar “Eastern European Tradition of Synagogue Art”

Yevhen Kotliar, Head of the Department of Monumental Painting at the Kharkiv State Academy of Design and Arts, Candidate of Art History, Professor, and Corresponding Member of the National Academy of Arts of Ukraine, delivered a lecture on the emergence and evolution of the Eastern European tradition of synagogue art.

The lecture explored the conceptual foundations of synagogue mural programs, specific iconographic sources, regional characteristics of synagogue painting, and modern approaches and technologies for their study and preservation.

Lecture recording: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5mo6Xd48mX8>

The lecture was organized by the International Interdisciplinary Certificate Program in Jewish Studies under the auspices of A. Yu. Krymsky Institute of Oriental Studies of the National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine and was held on the “Diye-Slovo” Studio platform with the support of the Zionist Federation of Ukraine (ZFU).

Lecture by Vyacheslav Likhachev “Iran-Israel Relations Through the Lens of History, Culture, and Religion”

21 липня 2025, понеділок
20:00 ZOOM



В'ячеслав Ліхачов

«Коли улігся радіоактивний попіл»
ірано-ізраїльські відносини через
призму історії, культури та релігії

Vyacheslav Likhachev, historian, political scientist, member of the Expert Council of the Center for Civil Liberties, and head of the monitoring group on antisemitism and xenophobia in Ukraine, delivered a lecture titled *“Iran-Israel Relations Through the Lens of History, Culture, and Religion.”*

“While the global community speculates about what remains underground at the sites of Iranian nuclear facilities, and the political elite of the Islamic Republic attempts to locate the Supreme Leader in his bunker, we suggest taking a brief pause from the news – nothing but rumors is likely to emerge in the coming weeks.

Instead, we propose exploring how the destruction of Israel became a national idea in Iran. We will discuss the historical relations between Persians and Jews, attitudes toward Judaism in the Shiite tradition, the political context of the 20th century, and more. Along the way, we will also touch on fascinating aspects of eschatology, messianism, and ritual impurity,” the lecture annotation stated.

Lecture recording: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mWzx39BHQus>

The lecture was held on the “Diye-Slovo” Studio platform with the support of the Zionist Federation of Ukraine (ZFU).

Lecture by Max Lurie “October 8 That Never Came: Social Processes in Israel Before and During the Longest War in Its Modern History”

Max Lurie, a specialist in Jewish education and nonprofit management, and a former emissary of the Jewish Agency for Israel in eastern Ukraine (2014-2018), delivered a lecture titled “*October 8 That Never Came: Social Processes in Israel Before and During the Longest War in Its Modern History.*”

The lecture examined the internal conflicts that shaped Israeli society prior to the outbreak of war, the societal transformations brought about by the war, and how, despite internal contradictions, Israel has managed to maintain unity during times of threat.

Lecture recording: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JVvxxDv52BA>

The lecture was held on the “Diye-Slovo” Studio platform with the support of the Zionist Federation of Ukraine (ZFU).

Second part of the open lecture course “War in Jewish History”

Перші дві лекції - 16 та 23 січня, четвер
Далі по середах 29 січня,
5, 12, 19, 26 лютого
19:30 ZOOM



Єхіель Фішзон (Ізраїль)
Давід Вайнштейн (Ізраїль)

Війна в єврейській історії

Друга частина курсу



In 2025, the second block of the course “*War in Jewish History*” took place, covering the modern and contemporary periods.

Over the course of seven lectures, participants explored how attitudes toward armed self-defense evolved during the transition out of the shtetl, how the Israeli army was formed, which values and ideas shaped it, what organizations preceded this process, and which chapters of its history remain relevant today.

Lecture recordings:

- Yehiel Fishzon — “*From Columbus to Jacob Frank: Adventurers of Jewish Origin (17th–18th Centuries)*”
<https://youtu.be/Wmpr3ZC-6PU>
- Yehiel Fishzon — “*Jews in European Military Conflicts (19th Century)*”
<https://youtu.be/s6ltvnOLfag>
- David Weinstein — “*The Beginnings: Bar-Giora, HaShomer, NILI*”
<https://youtu.be/zY0iGXYPRms>
- David Weinstein — “*World War I: From Mule Drivers to the Legion*”
<https://youtu.be/jOudY6MFwck>
- David Weinstein — “*The Foundations of the Army: Haganah and Palmach*”
https://youtu.be/LAZuDCOC_zM
- David Weinstein — “*Etzel and Lehi*”
<https://youtu.be/evuChvbXJmk>
- David Weinstein — “*The War of Independence (1947–1949): The Early Years of the IDF*”
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9h3J_stagJA

The course was organized by the International Interdisciplinary Certificate Program in Jewish Studies under the auspices of A. Yu. Krymsky Institute of Oriental Studies of the National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine, the International Center for Jewish Education and Field Studies, and was held on the “Diye-Slovo” Studio platform

The course was made possible thanks to the support of partners and sponsors: the Department for Relations with Israeli Citizens Abroad of the World Zionist Organization, the Zionist Federation of Ukraine, and the global movement “Yisrael Beiteinu.”

Course by Michael Bronstein “World War II: The Rise and Fall of Germany’s Submarine Fleet”

A four-lecture course by Israeli historian and analyst Michael Bronstein was conducted.

The course addressed methods of warfare, the weapons used by opposing sides, the course of the conflict, and its lessons. It examined the history of long-range bombing and the Douhet doctrine as the conceptual foundation of strategic aviation, as well as the technological breakthroughs that enabled long-range bombing in the spirit of Douhet.

Topics also included the “Spanish testing ground,” concepts for the use of air power in future wars, and “terror bombing” during the early phase of World War II.

The course covered the Luftwaffe’s bombing campaign against Britain, the debut of long-range radio-guided bombing, the beginning of the Allied bombing offensive against Germany, and the early experiences of British and American forces. It also analyzed

successes and losses, the crisis of autumn 1943, the eventual dominance of bombers, the defeat of German air defense fighters, and shifting strategic priorities.

Additionally, the course examined the impact of the Normandy landings (“the opening of the second front”), the collapse of German military industry, and precision bombing campaigns in 1944–1945.

Lecture recordings:

- Lecture 1: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=P1yrlWBba14>
- Lecture 2: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cdHSTYeEJIU>
- Lecture 3: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lbiFmV6PqV8>
- Lecture 4: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Z9XehHUdDFE>

The course was held on the “Diye-Slovo” Studio platform with the support of the Zionist Federation of Ukraine (ZFU).

Course by Vyacheslav Likhachev “Three Conversations on War, Regression, and the End of History”

In spring 2025, Vyacheslav Likhachev delivered an original course titled “*Three Conversations on War, Regression, and the End of History.*”

More than 115 participants registered for the three-lecture course.

Lecture recordings:

- “*A Jewish Perspective on Trumpism*”
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IZy0YQBoL_8&feature=youtu.be
- “*The Global Crisis of Democracy: Temporary Difficulties or Systemic Failure?*”
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6dJvAE4B9Is&feature=youtu.be>
- “*Freedom vs. Democracy: Neoreaction, the Dark Enlightenment, and Beyond*”
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SfB4kMDvZL8>

The course was held on the “Diye-Slovo” Studio platform with the support of the Zionist Federation of Ukraine.

Open course “Omeljan Pritsak’s Contribution to the Development of Jewish Studies”

With the support of the Zionist Federation of Ukraine (ZFU), an open course titled “*Omeljan Pritsak’s Contribution to the Development of Jewish Studies*” was held.

The four lectures were delivered by Taisiia Sydorчук, Head of the Omeljan Pritsak Center for Oriental Studies at the National University of Kyiv-Mohyla Academy, Candidate of Historical Sciences, senior lecturer in the MA program in Jewish Studies at NaUKMA, and Director of the NaUKMA Museum.

More than 50 participants attended each lecture, and nearly 30 completed the final test and will receive certificates.

Participants explored Omeljan Pritsak's personal scholarly and organizational contributions to Jewish Studies, as well as his collaboration, and that of the Ukrainian Research Institute at Harvard University, which he led – with Jewish scholars and academic institutions. The course also examined the Jewish Studies topics within his academic work.

Together with participants, the lecturers analyzed the significance of Omeljan Pritsak's personal library and archive, preserved at the National University of Kyiv-Mohyla Academy, for Jewish Studies research, using an electronic catalog and digitized materials.

Participant feedback

Ruslana Datsyk:

“I sincerely thank the course organizers and lecturer Taisiia Sydorчук for the deep, meaningful, and truly inspiring lectures. For me, this was not only an opportunity to learn more about Omeljan Pritsak, a brilliant orientalist and founder of world-class academic schools, but also a chance to immerse myself in the complex yet fascinating world of Jewish Studies and to see how closely it is intertwined with the history of Ukraine.

I especially appreciate Ms. Taisiia's ability to explain complex ideas in a simple way and with great respect for the audience.”

The course was held with the support of the Zionist Federation of Ukraine in cooperation with the International Interdisciplinary Certificate Program in Jewish Studies on the “Diye-Slovo” Studio platform.

Open course by Max Lurie “Internal Conflicts in Israel: What Lies Beneath the Surface?”

Щочетверга, з 5 червня
19:30 ZOOM



До 77-річчя Держави Ізраїль

Макс Лур'є

Відкритий курс

**Внутрішні конфлікти в Ізраїлі:
що приховано
під верхівкою айсберга?**

With the support of the Zionist Federation of Ukraine, the open course “*Internal Conflicts in Israel: What Lies Beneath the Surface?*” was held.

The course lecturer, Max Lurie, a specialist in Jewish education and nonprofit management, and a former emissary of the Jewish Agency for Israel in eastern Ukraine (2014–2018), delivered four lectures.

Lecture recordings:

- *“The Conflict Between Religious and Secular Communities”*
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZPWJ_81QF_0
- *“The Jewish-Arab Conflict Within Israel and/or the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict”*
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mo6HBSINAJA>
- *“The Ashkenazi-Mizrahi Divide”*
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pzcpdbm2Bzo>
- *“Right or Left? Political Divisions in Israel”*
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uvWH5RAuYMA>

The course was held with the support of the Zionist Federation of Ukraine and the global movement “Yisrael Beiteinu,” in cooperation with the International Interdisciplinary Certificate Program in Jewish Studies, on the “Diye-Slovo” Studio platform.

Summer lecture session

The International Interdisciplinary Certificate Program in Jewish Studies, with the support of the Zionist Federation of Ukraine (ZFU), traditionally held its summer lecture session.

The series of four thematic meetings took place on the “Diye-Slovo” Studio platform and was open to all interested participants.

Summer session 2025 lectures:

“Jewish Sacred Structures in the Urban Landscape: Search and Localization”

- Kateryna Malakhova, PhD (Philosophy), Academic Director of the International Interdisciplinary Certificate Program in Jewish Studies, Head of the Historical Research Department at ESJF European Jewish Cemeteries Initiative, lecturer at the National University of Kyiv-Mohyla Academy
- Eugene Levinzon, Executive Director of the International Interdisciplinary Certificate Program in Jewish Studies, PhD candidate at the Institute of Archaeology of the National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine

Lecture recording: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MYF4uE8HpUg>

“Book Collections as a Source for the History of Jewish Communities (Based on Judaica Books from the Kamianets-Podilskyi Historical Museum-Reserve)”

- Nadiia Ufimtseva, researcher of Jewish book printing, PhD candidate at the National University of Kyiv-Mohyla Academy

Lecture recording: <https://youtu.be/u3Q8ai3XTno>

“Jewish Cultural Heritage in the Archaeology of Medzhybizh”

- Viktor Vietrov, Head of the Archaeology Sector at the State Historical and Cultural Reserve “Mezhybizh,” researcher at the Research Center “Protective Archaeological Service of Ukraine” of the Institute of Archaeology, National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine
- Tetiana Vietrova, Leading Research Fellow at the State Historical and Cultural Reserve “Mezhybizh”

Lecture recording: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0fRTRWzI_kc

“Jewish Heritage in Museums: From Lavra to Chernivtsi”

- Anna Yanenko, PhD (History), Deputy Head of the Research Department on the History of the Kyiv-Pechersk Lavra and Museology at the National Kyiv-Pechersk Lavra Reserve
- Mykola Kushnir, Director of the Chernivtsi Museum of the History and Culture of Bukovinian Jews

Lecture recording: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hxQH737E2rU>

Interviews and public talks

Conversation with Vyacheslav Likhachev



With the support of the Zionist Federation of Ukraine, the “Diye-Slovo” Studio, in cooperation with the NGO “Jewish Television,” conducted an in-depth [conversation with Vyacheslav Likhachev](#), member of the Expert Council of the Center for Civil Liberties and head of the monitoring group on antisemitism and xenophobia in Ukraine.

The discussion was prompted by a wave of antisemitic comments on social media.

A text version of the conversation is also available in three parts:

- The first part, which discusses how Ukrainian society perceives the celebration of Rosh Hashanah in Uman, is available via [the link](#).

- The second part, focusing on antisemitic comments on social media and the purpose of the “Heavenly Jerusalem” conspiracy theory, is available via [the link](#).
- The final part, addressing public interest in Jewish culture and the need for education, is available via [the link](#).

Continuation of the meeting series with David Fishman



In 2025, the Executive Director of the Zionist Federation of Ukraine (ZFU), Olena Zaslavska, in cooperation with the NGO “Jewish Television” (Olena Bereza), continued the series of meetings with David Fishman, Professor of History at the Jewish Theological Seminary of America.

During the meeting held in February 2025, Olena Zaslavska and David Fishman [discussed](#) Donald Trump’s return to power, his electoral victory, the fears and concerns associated with his policies, the “Jewish question” in the United States and Israel, differences in how American and Israeli Jews perceive Trump, antisemitism on university campuses, and the new U.S. administration’s policy toward Ukraine.

Interview with Olena Zaslavska on the election of Ukraine’s delegation to the 39th World Zionist Congress



Olena Zaslavska, Executive Director of the Zionist Federation of Ukraine, [spoke](#) on EVREI TV (NGO “Jewish Television”) about the formation of Ukraine’s delegation to the 39th World Zionist Congress.

In the summer of 2025, democratic elections were held in Ukraine to select delegates to the 39th World Zionist Congress, which took place in Jerusalem at the end of October. Ten Zionist movements that are part of the Zionist Federation of Ukraine participated in the elections.

At the invitation of EVREI TV, Olena Zaslavska shared insights into the complexities and unexpected challenges of the election process.

[Conversation between Olena Zaslavska and Israeli journalist Yevgeny Gutman](#)

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About the Zionist Federation of Ukraine

The decision of the World Zionist Organization to establish the Zionist Federation of Ukraine was adopted in December 2001, based on the principles of the Jerusalem Program of the World Zionist Organization.

Since 2015, the ZFU has operated in Ukraine as a non-governmental organization.

Recognizing and embracing the Jerusalem Program, since February 24, 2022, the Zionist Federation of Ukraine has aligned its activities primarily with the following principles: full

support for Ukraine in its struggle against the aggressor; support for the unity of the Jewish community of Ukraine under wartime conditions; participation in volunteer initiatives supporting Ukraine; and the promotion of the history of Jews in Eastern Europe.

Over the past 10 years, the Federation has initiated numerous programs and projects.

Particular importance is placed on youth educational programs, including the history of the Jewish community in Ukraine, the history of Jews in Eastern Europe, the history of the Zionist movement, and efforts to counter the spread of antisemitic and xenophobic ideologies.

The Federation also organizes conferences and discussions featuring prominent Ukrainian and Israeli politicians and public figures.

Following February 24, 2022, the ZFU launched a number of projects related to psychological support and the work of mental health professionals.