

International conference on **Antisemitism and Political Extremism**

Stockholm 8 November 2017

Location: Klara Strand Conference, Klarabergsviadukten 90, Stockholm

Right-wing extremism and Islamist extremism represents growing threats to minorities and open, democratic societies. Within both these milieus antisemitism plays an important role. It is reflected in propaganda and dissemination of conspiracy theories on Internet as well as in hate crimes and jihadist terror against Jewish targets in Europe and elsewhere.

In order to expand the knowledge on the place, character and function of antisemitism in political or religious-political extremist movements and milieus, and to strengthen the efforts to combat prejudice, hate and violence against Jews, the Swedish Committee against Antisemitism is arranging a conference in Stockholm on November 8, 2017.

Leading international and Swedish researchers and experts will participate. During the opening of the conference Sweden's Minister for Justice and Home Affairs, Mr. Morgan Johansson, will give a speech.

The conference is directed mainly towards government agencies, politicians, police, scholars, journalists, teachers and NGO:s working to counter intolerance, racism and antisemitism.

The conference language is English, except for the last panel discussion which will be held in Swedish. Lunch and coffee will be served.

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Swedish Committee against Antisemitism**

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PROGRAM

08.30 – 09.00 **Registration** (*Coffee and sandwiches are served*)

09.00 – 09.05 **Introduction** Svante Weyler, Chairman, The Swedish Committee against Antisemitism

09.05 – 09.15 **Speech by Morgan Johansson**, Minister for Justice and Home Affairs

09.15 – 10.15 **Fighting Right Wing Extremism & Antisemitism in the “New Normal”**
Oren Segal, Director, Center on Extremism, Anti-Defamation League (ADL), USA

10.15 – 10.45 Coffee

10.45 – 11.45 **"Iudeus ex machina": Analyzing antisemitic discourse in the European Far Right**
Professor Ruth Wodak, Lancaster University and Universität Wien

11.45 – 13.00 Lunch

13.00 – 14.00 **Islamist antisemitism. Intellectual origins, political propaganda and potential real-world dangers**
Professor Armin Pfahl-Traugber, Hochschule des Bundes für öffentliche Verwaltung, Brühl, Germany

14.00 – 14.30 Coffee

14.30 – 16.00 **Panel discussion: Antisemitism and Political Extremism in Sweden**
(Language: Swedish)
Hans Brun, Expert, The Swedish Defence University, Jonathan Leman, Researcher, Expo Foundation, Eva Nordman Sund, Superintendent, National Operations Department (NOA), The Swedish Police, Niklas Orrenius, Journalist, Dagens Nyheter, Isak Reichel, Secretary General, The Official Council of Swedish Jewish Communities
Moderator: Willy Silberstein

16.00 **Closing remarks**