





Roadmap for a Shared Society

Givat Haviva is proud to announce the launch of "**Roadmap for a Shared Society**", a multi-stage project that will conduct the first inclusive process of developing, deliberating and advocating for a joint vision of implementable, measurable goals for a shared society in Israel.

In the first year of the project, five professional working groups of leading Jewish and Arab public figures in Israel are convening in an historic process to formulate a Roadmap of practical steps for implementation to move the State of Israel toward a Shared Society. The groups will articulate concrete goals and measures in the areas of education, economic development, governance/local governance, land use, and cultural representation and restorative processes; topics based on the UN Millennium Development Goals. Each working group consists of Arab and Jewish professionals from the public and private sectors as well as from civil society, and effort has been made to include representatives from a broad range of political backgrounds. To leverage the impact of these goal documents, each of the working groups is headed by two Champions, one Jewish and one Arab, prominent public figures with a commitment to consensus building and with knowledge of and background experience with the subject matter, who can both galvanize the work of the groups and garner public agreement. Each group is supported by a dedicated facilitator with expertise in conflict management and knowledge of the group's subject, and a senior researcher provides each of the groups with background material on their topic and on relevant previous experience, both in Israel and internationally.

In the coming phases of this project, a broad public engagement drive will solicit feedback from a critical mass of citizens regarding the Roadmap, which will then be integrated into the final version of the Roadmap and a Shared Society Index. This will both guarantee the broadest possible degree of public support for the recommendations, and also allow us to gauge the degree of support for the each of the different measures included. The final Roadmap for a Shared Society will be presented to the Knesset in December 2017, which will mark the beginning of an advocacy campaign for its adoption. The advocacy drive will be strengthened and informed by the relative popularity enjoyed by the various measures recommended. We believe that this down-to-earth practical approach involving both high profile public figures and a critical mass of the public will prove effective in moving Israeli society toward our ideal of a shared and equal society.



