

EDUNATION 2026

THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION CENTER-ICC JERUSALEM

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2026

09:30 - Opening Remarks

Moshe Lion - Mayor of Jerusalem

Miki Zohar - Minister of Culture and Sport

Eyal Ostrinsky - World Chairman of KKL-JNF

Inna Zaltsman - Senior Deputy Director, General and Director of Pedagogical Administration, Ministry of Education

Ariela rejwan - Director General of the Jerusalem Municipality

HALL A - EDUHUMAN | EDUCATION AND HUMANITY

10:30-11:10 - Culture Code | Mediation, Viewing and the Next Generation

Host: Yonatan Reguer - Journalist, Channel 12 News Israel

EduCulture - **Asaf Shenhav** - Spoken Word Artist, Group Facilitator & Expert in Fostering Empathy Among Youth and Educators

Speakers:

EduTalk - **Maya Brinner** - Choreographer, Artistic Director, and Dance Entrepreneur

EduTalk - **Galit Roichman** - Screenwriter and Film Lecturer

EduTalk - **Iris Halifa** - Entrepreneur and Leader in Music Education; Head of the Education Department at the Israeli Andalusian Orchestra Ashdod

EduTalk - **Zvia Huberman** - Playwright, Director, and Founder of Cultural and Educational Projects

11:10-11:50 - The Art of the Algorithm | Who Shapes Whom?

Host: Yonatan Reguer - Journalist, Channel 12 News Israel

Speakers:

Dafna Kron - Co-Artistic Director, Israel Festival

Amit Drori - Theatre maker and Director of Hazira Theatre in Jerusalem

Udi Edelman - Curator and Researcher; Former Director of the Center for Digital Art, Holon

Tamir Eting - Head of the School of Dance Arts, Faculty of Arts, Kibbutzim College

David Fridman - Co-Founder of MusicTech Innovation Lab

11:50-12:40 - At the Beginning | The Pedagogy of Tomorrow's Creators

Host: Prof. Oded Zehavi - Composer. Head of Music department and deputy chair for the school of arts at the University of Haifa

EduCulture - **Maya Belsitzman** - cellist, singer, arranger, composer, and music producer

Speakers:

Moshe Sinai - CEO, Rimon School of Music

Housni Alkhateeb Shehada, PhD. - Senior Lecturer at the Bezalel Academy of Arts and Design, Jerusalem and

Continued

Levinsky-Wingate Academic College, Tel Aviv

Michal Rozner - Founder and CEO, "Yotzrim Sviva"; Founder and Principal of an Arts High School for Haredi Young Women

12:40-13:20 - Potential | Between Friction and Energy

Host: Yuna Leibzon - Journalist and anchor Channel 12 News

Speakers:

Prof. Orly Shapira-Lishchinsky - Head of the Institute for Social Integration, Faculty of Education, Bar-Ilan University

Avi Warshavsky - CEO Mindcet Labs

Manal Darawshe - Principal, Hiwar Inclusive School, Jerusalem

St. Claire Marlin Adriaan - Principal, PUC CALS (Partnerships to Uplift Communities), Los Angeles; Doctoral Candidate, Author, Lifelong Educator

Secretary-General Udo Michallik - Standing Conference of the Ministers of Education and Cultural Affairs in the Federal Republic of Germany

13:20-14:10 - A Guide for the Perplexed | The Crisis of the Teaching Profession

In Conversation: Yuna Leibzon and Dalit Stauber - Former Director-General of the Ministry of Education, Faculty Member at the Mandel Foundation and Ono Academic College, and Strategic Consultant

In Conversation: Dalit Stauber and Mr. Takuya Yamazaki - Member of the Executive Committee, Japan Teachers' Union (JTU); Responsible for the Work-Style Reform Campaign

Host: Dalit Stauber - Former Director General of the Israel Ministry of Education, Faculty Member at the Mandel Foundation and Ono Academic College, and Strategic Consultant

Speakers:

Agapios Oikonomidis - Supervisor of Education in Athens

Branit Golan-Yosubash - Deputy Secretary General of the Israel Teachers Union and Chair of its Jerusalem Branch

(Mr) Takuya Yamazaki - Executive Board Member, Japan Teachers' Union (JTU); In Charge of the Work-Style Reform Campaign

Shira Ben Israel - Principal, Neve Etzion Torah and Arts School; Representative of Jerusalem's School Principals

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10:35-11:15 - A Chronicle of Disruption

Host: Yuna Leibzon - Journalist and anchor Channel 12 News

In Conversation: Yuna Leibzon and Carmit Harush - Director of the Jerusalem District, Israel Ministry of Education

Speakers:

Carmit Harush - Director of the Jerusalem District, Israel Ministry of Education
Prof. Mooli Lahad - Professor of Psychology and Internationally Recognized Expert in Trauma Treatment and Resilience
Irit Touitou - Chief Executive officer, The centre of educational technology
Jeremy Stowe-Lindner - Principal, Bialik College

11:15-12:00 - The Pedagogical Matrix | Rethinking Education Through Data

Host: Yuna Leibzon - Journalist and anchor Channel 12 News

Case Study - Tzippi Hammer - CEO, Group19

Speakers:

Tzippi Hammer - CEO, Group19
Ronit Nehemia - Former National Supervisor of the High School Data Science Track, Innovation and Technology Administration, Israel Ministry of Education
Dr. Fawaz M. Habbal - Director General, Emirates Scholar Center for Research and Studies
Tamar Makharashvili - Deputy Minister of Education, Science and Youth, Georgia

12:00-12:40 - A Winning Interface | Where National Strategy Meets Local Action

Host: Dr. Heftzi Zohar - Deputy and Acting Mayor of Be'er Sheva; Holder of the Education Portfolio

Speakers:

Dr. Firas M. Habbal - President, Emirates Scholar Center for Research and Studies
Hagit Moshe - Holder of the Education Portfolio, Jerusalem Municipality; founder and host of the International Education Conference
Dr. Samir Mahamid - Mayor of Umm al-Fahm
Liel Even-Zohar, Adv. - Deputy and Acting Mayor of Rishon LeZion, Holder of the Education and Public Construction Portfolios; Vice Chair of the Local Planning and Building Committee

12:40-13:20 - Check-In for Education | Investment, Partnership, and Boundaries

Host: Lior Veroslavski - Education Correspondent and Anchor, Channel 13 News

Speakers:

Sonia Gomes de Mesquita - Founder and Vice Chair, SASA Setton, Alumot Or, and the Center for Jewish Impact
Eli Paley - Chairman of The Institute for Strategy and Haredi Policy
Raya Strauss Bendror - Businesswoman, Philanthropist and Social Entrepreneur
Benny Levin - Chair of IVN and Chair of the Kedma and Ben Yakir Youth Villages

13:20-14:00 - Education and the Return on Investment

Host: Lior Veroslavski - Education Correspondent and Anchor, Channel 13 News

In Conversation: Lior Wroclawski and Alon Gonen - Co-Founder of the Fintech Company Plus500; Entrepreneur, Businessman, and One of the Leaders of Israeli High-Tech

Speakers:

Yehudit Miletzky - CEO of The Institute for Strategy and Haredi Policy
Adi Elrom - Executive Vice President, Bank Massad
David Schapira - Chief Deputy Superintendent of Public Instruction, State of California
Byron Brooks - Regent, Nevada System of Higher Education

14:00-14:40 - Mind the Gap | Academia's Missing Chapter

Host: Lior Veroslavski - Education Correspondent and Anchor, Channel 13 News

Speakers:

Prof. Chen Schechter - Head of the National Institute for Research and Development in Education (MOFET Institute); Bar-Ilan University
Ashraf Jabbour - CEO of Acadyium, the Umbrella Organization for Advancing Academic Excellence in Arab Society, Founded by Yad Hanadiv
Prof. Rivka Wadmany-Shauman - Council for Higher Education (CHE); Ariel University
Prof. Biju Kumar Thapalia, PhD - Professor of Supply Chain Management and Former Vice Chancellor, Purbanchal University, Biratnagar, Nepal

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09:30 - Edumorning

Host: Ofer Hadad - Journalist and News Anchor, N12 News

In Conversation: Ofer Hadad and Hagit Moshe - Holder of the Education Portfolio, Jerusalem Municipality; Founder and Host of the International Education Conference

In Conversation: Ofer Hadad and Nas Daily (Nuseir Yassin) - International Content Creator and Founder of Nas Academy

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10:30-11:10 - Safety Net | Education in the Age of Social Media

Host: Yael Odem - Education Correspondent, N12 News

Speakers:

Sharon Benyamin - Tanakh Teacher and Online Content Creator

Amit Edri - Brig. Gen. (Res.); Chairman, Safe School; Former Director General, Israel Ministry of Education

Lior Weintraub - VP of Public Policy and Government Relations, TikTok Israel

Ran Braun - Social Worker, Therapist, Parent Counselor and Lecturer, Founder and Director of Machon Mitbagrim

12:30-13:00 - From Mission to Entrepreneurship | How to Turn a Real Need into Learning, Entrepreneurship, and a Sense of Mission

Host: Liran Kogahinoff - Education Correspondent, KAN News

Speakers:

11:10-11:50 - Between the Individual and the Collective

Host: Yael Odem - Education Correspondent, N12 News

Speakers:

Rabbi David Meyer OBE - CEO, Partnerships for Jewish Schools (PaJeS); Board Member, Ofsted (UK)

Rabbi Menachem Bombach - Founder and President of the Netzach Educational Network

Shirin Hafy Natour - Director, Senior Division for Education in Arab and Bedouin Society, Ministry of Education

Maia Rosenberg Berger - Project Manager and Head of Regional Outreach, Jewish Information Center

11:50-12:30 - Voice of the Future | Young People and the Future of Education

Host: Liran Kogahinoff - Education Correspondent, KAN News

Speakers:

Orel Gal-Or - 12th-Grade Student, ORT Ramat Yosef, Bat Yam

Shira Farzam - 12th-Grade Student, Alma Emuna, Jerusalem

Abedalla saif - 12th-Grade Student, Ara Comprehensive School, Ara-Ar'ara

Rotem Getraide - 12th-Grade Student, Ramon Six-Year School, Petah Tikva

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EduTalk - Kostya Kilimnik - Head of Product and Content, AI-IL

EduTalk - Yana Crispil - CEO & founder, EdSpire.me

EduTalk - Lian Chen and Malak Abd el-Ghani - High School Seniors, Co-Founders of the Bagrunote Initiative, and Ambassadors for LEAD, a Youth Leadership Development Program

12:25-13:15 - EduLife | Education as a Way of Seeing

Host: Yael Odem - Education Correspondent, N12 News

Speakers:

Case Study - Arik Wirzburger - Head of the Education Administration, Jerusalem Municipality

Shelly Keren - Chair, Israel Association of Local Authority Education Directors; Director of Education, Gezer Regional Council

Nili Sagiv - Chair, Milgam Education Group

Sar Shalom-Jerbi - Manager of KKL-JNF's Education and Community Division

Rachel Friedmann - Principal, Carmel School Hong Kong; Founding Principal, Elsa High School

11:35-12:25 - Offline Innovation | Innovation Beyond the Buzzword

Host: Ofer Hadad - Journalist and News Anchor, N12 News

Inspirational Talk - Dr. Micah Goodman - Author, Public Intellectual, and Scholar of Jewish and Israeli Thought

In Conversation: Ofer Hadad and Dr. Micah Goodman - Author, Public Intellectual, and Scholar of Jewish and Israeli Thought

Speakers:

Dr. Noah Heller - Lecturer on Education, Harvard Graduate School of Education; Core Faculty Member, Teaching and Teacher Leadership (TTL) Program

Prof. Carmit Altman - Head of the Child Development Program, Faculty of Education, Bar-Ilan University; Co-Founder and Chief Scientific Officer (CSO), Multi

Avi Warshavsky - CEO Mindcet Labs

Ofer Hahn - VP of Innovation, Partnerships and Evaluation - AMIT Network

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