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## Israel Public Diplomacy Forum in Denver

### Experts to discuss Israel at many venues, Nov. 5

A delegation of experts from the Israel Public Diplomacy Forum (IPD Forum) will present a series of discussions in Denver on Thursday, Nov. 5.

Topics will cover Middle Eastern and foreign policy affairs, global terrorism, business and innovation.

"The rapid developments in the Middle East are so confusing that it is difficult to understand who is fighting whom, and why," says Dr. Eytan Gilboa, chair and academic director of IPD Forum.

"We are bringing this delegation to the US in an effort to clarify and explain events in Israel and the region, and place them in historical and strategic contexts"

Gilboa says there will be several events, each offering specific discussions around key issues, including the civil wars in Syria, Iraq, Libya and Yemen; the refugee crisis in Europe; the Iran nuclear deal; Russia's military intervention in Syria; and Palestinian-Israeli relations.

Other topics will focus on business entrepreneurship.

The delegation's stop in Denver is part of a 10-day series in the Southwest that includes programs in New Mexico (Santa Fe and Albuquerque) and Arizona (Phoenix and Tucson), besides the programs in Denver.

The delegation will include:

- DR. EYTAN GILBOA, professor of political science and communication at Bar-Ilan University, visit-

ing professor of public diplomacy at the University of Southern California, and chair of the Israel Communication Association.

- DR. ELY KARMON, senior research scholar at the International Institute for Counter Terrorism (ICT) and senior research fellow at the Institute for Policy and Strategy at the Interdisciplinary Center (IDC) Herzliya, Israel.

- DR. MIRIAM HARAN, head of the MBA Environmental Management Program at the Ono Academic College in Israel.

- LEONARD SACKSTEIN, Israeli entrepreneur.

Gilboa and Karmon will speak on "Security in the Middle East and US-Israel Relations in the Wake of the Iran Nuclear Deal," Thursday, Nov. 5, 8:30-10 a.m., at Temple Emanuel. Entrance is free. Information: [jsherman@jewishcolorado.org](mailto:jsherman@jewishcolorado.org).

Karmon will speak on "Defeating ISIS: Understanding the Ori-

gins and Successes of a Jihadist Terrorist Organization and Western Responses," Nov. 5, 3-4 p.m. at Hyatt Place Cherry Creek.

Karmon will also speak the same day at the Denver Press Club, 6:30-7:30 p.m., on "The Threat of Global Terrorism: Perspectives from the Middle East Region."

Information: <http://tinyurl.com/nn58tvz>.

Gilboa will speak 6:30-8:30 p.m., on "The Changing Middle East: Effects on Israel's Strategic Position and Doctrine," at Hyatt Place Cher-



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