



Meeting Israel's Challenge of Post-War Renewal

October 7, 2023, the bloodiest day in Israel's 75-year history, is a watershed moment that has changed the country irrevocably. It is also a crossroads. Will Israel, divided and dispirited, sink further into "forever wars" against foreign and domestic enemies? Or will it emerge from this tragedy stronger, more united, and with redoubled dedication to its founding principles?

As the nation's premier independent policy institution, the Israel Democracy Institute's role is to supply policymakers with the answer to one fundamental question:

How can Israel emerge stronger from this terrible ordeal?

After years of political instability and partisan wrangling that brought Israel to the brink of civil war and put its democracy in peril, the terrible blow dealt by the atrocities of October 7th must provide the wake-up call necessary for Israelis to come together and complete the nation-building project begun in 1948.

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10
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IDI's ten-point plan for post-war democratic renewal contains detailed policy blueprints for meeting the following key challenges:

1

A **constitutional framework** and a bill of rights to enshrine the separation of powers and protect the civil liberties of all Israelis.

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A set of **new budgetary priorities** and macroeconomic policies reflecting postwar realities.

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A detailed plan for **electoral reform** to boost political stability, enhance representation and increase accountability.

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A bold **new paradigm for integration** of the ultra-Orthodox and Arab communities.

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A blueprint for sweeping civil service reform to promote efficiency and restore **public trust in government**.

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A proposal for a new status quo on matters of **religion and state**.

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A plan to decentralize government power and **bolster local authorities**.

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A set of policies to address post-October 7th **internal security challenges**.

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A plan for **regulation of the cyber domain** and social media to protect Israeli democracy from foreign and domestic efforts to undermine it.

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A new proposal for the **IDF's model of service** to meet postwar manpower needs and achieve more equal sharing of the burden of national defense.

