

Meeting Israel's Challenge of Post-War Renewal

October 7, 2023, was a watershed moment that has changed the country irrevocably. It is also a crossroads. As Israelis elect their postwar leaders in 2026, how can we ensure the Jewish State emerges from the war stronger, more united, and with renewed dedication to its founding principles?

After years of political instability and partisan wrangling that imperiled Israel's democracy and brought its people to the brink of civil war, the terrible blow dealt by the Hamas terrorists 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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IDI's ten-point plan for post-war democratic renewal contains detailed policy blueprints for meeting the key domestic challenges facing Israel today:

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A recipe for **democratic renewal**, including an agreed constitutional framework and a bill of rights to strengthen the separation of powers and protect the civil liberties of all Israelis

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A comprehensive plan for **strengthening local government** and decentralizing power in Israel

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A **revamped model of service** for the IDF to meet postwar manpower needs and achieve more equal sharing of the burden of national defense

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New budgetary priorities and macroeconomic policies designed to sustain fiscal stability and promote growth in light of increased military expenditure

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A new **regulatory framework** for the **cyber domain and social media** to reduce polarization and protect Israeli democracy from foreign and domestic subversion in the age of AI

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Reforms to Israel's electoral system designed to boost political stability, enhance representation and increase accountability

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A **new paradigm** for relations between the state and its growing **ultra-Orthodox** community to ensure Israel's continued economic prosperity and democratic vitality

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Measures to reduce crime and promote the **integration of Israel's Arab citizens** into the economy and society

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Comprehensive governmental and civil service reform to increase efficiency, enhance effectiveness and restore **public trust in government**

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A **new paradigm for internal security and democratic law enforcement** in the aftermath of the October 7th massacre and the protests of 2023-2025

