

**YESODOT-THE CENTER FOR TORAH AND DEMOCRACY
UNDER THE SPONSORSHIP OF MK RABBI YITZHAK LEVY**

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In honor of the Knesset's 60th year

**EDUCATING FOR RELIGIOUS VALUES & DEMOCRATIC VALUES
MISSION IMPOSSIBLE?**

12:30 Registration and light refreshments

13:00 Welcome - MK Rabbi Yitzhak Levy

Shlomit Amichai, Executive Director of the Ministry of Education

Moderator, Eliraz Kraus, Executive Director, Yesodot

Keynote Speaker:

Prof. Irwin Cotler, Former Justice Minister of Canada

Jewish Values, Human Rights and the Pursuit of Justice

14:15 Session 1- Human Rights in Judaism and in the State of Israel

Opening Comments - MK Rabbi Michael Melchior, Chair of the
Knesset's Education Committee

Dr. Uzi Landau, Former Minister of Public Security

Testimonies of Human Rights Violations

**Panel Discussion-Are Human Rights Protected in the Torah
and in Judaism?**

Rabbi Shear Yashuv Cohen, Chief Rabbi of Haifa

Prof. Mordechai Kremnitzer, Hebrew University and the Israel
Democracy Institute

Rabbi Hanan Porat, former MK and editor of "Me'at Min HaOr"

Dr. Shlomo Fischer, Founder of Yesodot

Moderator: Yaffa Geisser, Yesodot Board Member

15:30 Session 2 –Educating for Religious Values & Democratic
Values – Mission Impossible?

Opening Comments - Rabbi Avi Geisser, Chair of the National
Religious Education Council

Yesodot's Educational Accomplishments – Theory and Practice

Moderator: Tirza Frankel, Pedagogic Director, Yesodot

16:30 Concluding Comments and Mincha Services