

# 1<sup>st</sup> IFLRY x IDI Tolerance Conference **The Open Society<sup>TM</sup> & Religious Toleration**

## **Online Version**

Welcome to the the 1<sup>st</sup> IFLRY x IDI Tolerance Conference. The aim of the Tolerance Conference is to practice, explore & discuss the role of **religious toleration** in the Open Society<sup>TM</sup>. The first edition will hereby focus on two very specific aspects of religious intolerance in modern societies: Islamophobia & Anti-semitism. According to the latest Eurobarometer survey on Anti-semitism in Europe, 89% of Jews in Europe feel that antisemitism has significantly increased in the last five years—while 97% (!) of the European population indicated that they are not well informed about Jewish history, customs, and practices. As a consequence, we see Jewish communities feeling left out of our pluralist societies and instead relocate to Israel. On a similar dimension, we can observe that one in three Muslims faces discrimination in Europe and that Islamophobia and the fear from Islam has become a viable and legitimate political tool for populists in Europe. By bringing together a diverse set of participants from the Arab World, Israel, Eastern Europe, and beyond we want to flesh out the roots of these hate-inducing practices and their politicalimplications today.

#### **Duration:**

- 2 Weeks
- 3 Sessions per Week (90-120 minutes per session)
- Plus 1 Session for Onboarding, Meet & Greet, and Logistics

#### Logistics/Needs:

- Zoom
- YouTube Videos
- Discord
- GSuite



#### **Building Blocks:**

- ★ The **Concept** of the Open Society<sup>TM</sup>
- ★ The Role of **Religious Toleration** in the Open Society<sup>TM</sup>
- ★ The Open Society<sup>TM</sup> and Its Tensions: Islam & Islamophobia
- ★ The Open Society<sup>TM</sup> and Its Tensions: Judaism & Anti-Semitism

### Bird's-Eye View 📅:

- □ 12.03.2021: Meet & Greet 🎉
- □ 15.03.2021: The Concept of the Open Society<sup>™</sup> 👋
- □ 17.03.2021: Religion & the Open Society<sup>™</sup> 🕍
- 20.03.2021: Islam & Islamophobia G
- 🖵 22.03.2021: Judaism & Anti-Semitism 🔯
- □ 24.03.2021: The Open Society<sup>TM</sup> at Work: Debates!!! ....
- 27.03.2021: Our Vision of the Open Society....and an Award Ceremony \*