

Living in Comparison: Experiences of Citizenship in Russia, Israel, and Between Them

Conference and Symposium,
The Van Leer Jerusalem Institute
May 5, 2025

9:30	Reception	
10:00	Opening remarks	Dr. Shaul Setter Prof. Julia Lerner · Dr. Inna Leykin
10:30	Comparison as an interpretative framework: Research panel	Facilitator: Dr. Inna Leykin Prof. Anna Temkina, Prof. Svetlana Chachashvili-Bolotin et al. “I don’t wanna talk about the W”: Conversations about the war among Russian doctors in Russia and Israel Varvara Preter, Prof. Julia Lerner Translation of civil affinities between Russia and Israel after October 7: Public expressions of immigrant social media figures Dr. Rotem Leshem The emotional politics of enemy construction: How Russia is represented in Israel’s polarized digital discourse
11:30	Break	
11:45	Double belonging at a time of war and crisis: Roundtable	Facilitator: Dr. Dina Moyal Dr. Alexandra Mandelbaum David Tversky (journalist) Dr. Alex Valdman Dr. Tanya Voinova
13:15	Lunch Break	
14:30	Creative work between Russia and Israel: Discussion with artists	Facilitator: Prof. Julia Lerner Linor Goralik (writer and artist) Haim Sokol (visual artist) Jenya Maley (filmmaker)
16:00	Break	
16:15	Self-censorship and the the limits of public expression in a time of political change: Roundtable	Facilitator: Alexandra Lisogor Alla Gavrilova (journalist) Dr. Svetlana Yerpylova (on Zoom) Dr. Konstantin Pakhalyuk Tatiana Glezer (cultural entrepreneur and researcher)
17:45	Break	
18:00	The evolution of Russian liberalism and its relationship with the Left	Facilitator: Dr. Shaul Setter Prof. Ilya Budraitskis (on Zoom)