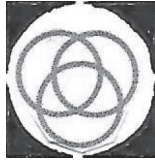


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## In the Planning Field

### How Do We Build an Additional Country Here? Israel 100 – Strategic Planning for Israel towards the year 2048

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In order to accommodate the continuous increase in population and steady economic growth, the built space in Israel will need to double within three decades. But, the accelerated pace of development and the natural wear of existing structures and infrastructure are just a part of the great challenges Israel is beginning to face.

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Israel100's planning approach corresponds to the multilayered, decentralized structure of the Israeli socio-spatial fabric; the planning approach acknowledges that Israel is an environment with a remarkably rich heritage, yet extremely limited in its scarce resources. The next step is to create actionable roadmaps around the key vertical topics. These roadmaps will go through horizontal professional and participatory evaluations and extend its outreach efforts and partnerships building toward implementation.

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