

## Forum 2000 at EXPO 2020 “Building Bridges for a Global Future”

Wednesday, November 17

UAE 11:00 - 12:30

**Discussion** (Terra Pavilion)

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### SPIRITUAL AND RELIGIOUS VALUES: SHARING A COMMON GROUND

Despite their numerous differences, major world religions are based on similar values and shared common principles - something that Václav Havel called "a global moral minimum". President Havel proposed that this moral minimum be adopted as a basis for the rules and norms of the coexistence of nations and supranational communities in the future world. What are the points of agreement and the shared values among the major religions and spiritual traditions? Is there indeed such a shared global moral minimum? If so, can it be used to enhance the spirit of cooperation in addressing major global challenges?

**Opening remarks:**

*Jakub Klepal*, Executive Director, Forum 2000 Foundation, Czech Republic

**Moderator:**

*Tomáš Sedláček*, Philosopher of Economics, Author of Economics of Good and Evil, Member, Corporate Council, Forum 2000 Foundation, Czech Republic

**Speakers:**

*Tomáš Halík*, Philosopher, President, Czech Christian Academy, Member, Program Council, Forum 2000 Foundation, Czech Republic

*Dr. Hawaa Althahak Almansoori*, Member, Federal National Council, United Arab Emirates  
*Rabbi Elie Abadie*, Jewish Council of the Emirates, Shaarei Mizrah Rabbi, Association of Gulf Jewish Communities, United Arab Emirates

12:30 - 13:30

**LUNCH BREAK** (Czech Restaurant)

UAE 13:30 - 14:45

**Discussion** (Terra Pavilion / The New Stage)

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PGR 10:30 – 11:45

### THROUGH EDUCATION TO TOLERANCE AND CIVIC RESPONSIBILITY

In cooperation with #díky\_že\_můžem, Korzo Národní, opona.

Education is one of the strongest instruments to shape societies. It serves as an engine for economic growth but is also strongly associated with enhancing civic engagement and improving the quality of governance. It is believed that education has a universally positive effect on all forms of engagement. But is this (still) true? What is the role and impact of formal education today in terms of educating for tolerance, respect for diversity, and active citizenship? How can informal education and civic engagement complement formal education? And have the rules been changed in the current digital world?

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*Irena Kalhousová*, Director, Herzl Center for Israel Studies, Charles University, Member, Program Council, Forum 2000 Foundation, Czech Republic (Prague)

**Speakers:**

*Amichai Magen*, Director of the Program on Democratic Resilience and Development, Head of Diplomacy & Conflict Studies, Reichman University, Herzliya, Israel

*Dr. Hawaa Althahak Almansoori*, Member, Federal National Council, United Arab Emirates  
*Dana Moree*, Intercultural Pedagogy, Faculty of Humanities, Charles University in Prague, Czech Republic (Prague)

*Šimon Pánek*, Co-Founder and Director, People in Need, Member, International Advisory Board, Forum 2000 Foundation, Czech Republic (Prague)

UAE 15:30 - 16:45

**Discussion** (Terra Pavilion / The New Stage)

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PRG 12:30 – 13:45

## HOW SUCCESSFUL CIVIL SOCIETY MOVEMENTS REACH THEIR GOALS

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The activity of citizens is determinant in developing open, thriving, and prosperous societies. Active citizens and civil movements played a crucial role in the 1989 changes in the former Soviet bloc and have also demonstrated their importance and effectiveness recently in many places around the world. What civil society movements are able to achieve in the 21st century? What tools are they using to reach their goals? What are the common barriers?

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### Speakers:

*Alina Aflecailor*, Activist, Educator, Romania

*Anna Kárníková*, Director, Hnutí DUHA, Czech Republic (Prague)

*Mikuláš Minář*, Million Moments for Democracy, Czech Republic (Prague)

UAE 16:45 - 17:00

**Special Address** (Terra Pavilion)

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## CLOSING REMARKS

### Concluding Remarks:

*Tomáš Halík*, Philosopher, President, Czech Christian Academy, Member, Program Council, Forum 2000 Foundation, Czech Republic

*Jiří František Potužník*, General Commissioner, EXPO2020, Czech Republic

*Jakub Klepal*, Executive Director, Forum 2000 Foundation, Czech Republic