



Meeting Israel's Challenge of Post-War Renewal

October 7, 2023, the bloodiest day in Israel's 75-year history, was a watershed moment that has changed the country irrevocably. It is also a crossroads. Will Israel, divided and dispirited, sink further into "forever wars" against foreign and domestic enemies? Or will it emerge from this tragedy stronger, more united, and with redoubled dedication to its founding principles?

As the nation's premier independent policy institution, the Israel Democracy Institute's role is to supply policymakers with the answer to one fundamental question:

How can Israel emerge stronger from this ordeal?

After years of political instability and partisan wrangling that brought Israel to the brink of civil war and put its democracy in peril, the terrible blow dealt by the atrocities of October 7th must provide the wake-up call necessary for Israelis to come together and complete the nation-building project begun in 1948.

IDI's

10
**point
plan**



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IDI's ten-point plan for post-war democratic renewal contains detailed policy blueprints for meeting the following key challenges:

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A **constitutional framework** and a bill of rights to enshrine the separation of powers and protect the civil liberties of all Israelis

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A comprehensive plan for **strengthening local government** and decentralizing power in Israel

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A **revamped model of service** for the IDF to meet postwar manpower needs and achieve more equal sharing of the burden of national defense

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New budgetary priorities and macroeconomic policies designed to sustain fiscal stability in the aftermath of the war

3

A **new paradigm for integration** of the ultra-Orthodox community to ensure Israel's continued economic prosperity and democratic vitality

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Reforms to Israel's electoral system designed to boost political stability, enhance representation and increase accountability

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A new **regulatory framework** for the **cyber domain and social media** to protect Israeli democracy from foreign and domestic subversion

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A set of policies to reinforce the **integration of Israel's Arab citizens** into the economy and society

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Comprehensive governmental and civil service reform to increase efficiency, enhance effectiveness and restore **public trust in government**

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A **new paradigm for Israel's internal security** in the aftermath of the October 7th massacre

