



# Small is beautiful

## Is it viable too?

a meeting for  
**Small Jewish Communities**

organised by ECJC, JDC and Leatid  
and hosted by the Jewish Community of Athens  
**Athens, 27 February- 1 March 2015**



## Programme

### Friday, February 27<sup>th</sup>

- 17.00 Meeting in the Hotel Lobby
- 17.30 Welcome & Introductions
- 18.15 Departure to Synagogue
- 20.15 Shabbat Dinner Greek Style

### Saturday, February 28<sup>th</sup>

- 8.30 Shacharit in Synagogue – *Optional*
- 12.00 Lunch & Introductions
- 13.00 **Handling the changing Reality**  
*by Ronit Bar*  
Situations in the different communities and general atmosphere– Security as a challenge– Anti Semitism & Anti Israel feelings projected towards local Jewish Communities  
  
Building the processes of preparedness of the communities. Taking a step further in the creation of different roles for handling situations of emergency and disaster.
- 14.30 Break
- 14.45 **The ‘before’, the ‘during’, and the ‘after’ of the situation of emergency**  
*by Ronit Bar*  
What is the relation between the new volunteering and volunteering during emergency?  
The new volunteering and its influence on emergencies  
Processes of management of volunteers in times of emergency.
- 16.15 Break



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### 16.30 **Other challenges we face**

by **Mario Izcovich**, Director of Leatid (JDC).

- Promoting participation & Sustainability of the Structures
- Continuity: How to involve new generations?

### 17.15 **Financing Small Communities – A proposal**

by **Igor Rintel**, President Federation of Jewish Communities in Slovakia

### 18.00 **The Proposals towards the Future – How to....**

by **Mariano Schlimovich**, director ECJC

- Creating spaces for encounters to improve relations between the Jewish communities across Europe.
- Bank with professionals – a database with contact details of rabbis, educators, school principals, which will enable community leadership to quickly access the right person when they need
- Supporting and nurturing a new generation of leaders
- Create special space to exchange best practices amongst small (and smaller) communities
- Create welcoming spaces in our communities / directory for migrants to involve themselves in other communities

### 19.30 Conclusions

### 20.00 Return to the Hotel and Free evening

## Sunday, March 1<sup>st</sup>

### 8.15 Breakfast in Hotel

### 9.00 **Fundraising Essential Techniques – Part 1**

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10.45 Coffee Break

11.00 **Fundraising Essential Techniques – Part 2**  
Training with Michael Novick

12.45 Wrap Up

13.00 End of Encounter – Sandwiches & Light meal