Jerusalem: Myths and Realities

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Israel will soon be celebrating Jerusalem Day, the annual holiday on the 28th of the Hebrew month of Iyar that marks the Israel Defense Forces' capture of East Jerusalem in June 1967. As the date approaches, we can expect Israel’s leadership – as it does every Jerusalem Day – to hail the reunification of the city during the Six Day War and to invoke the mantra that Jerusalem is Israel’s “eternal and united capital city.”

But how united is “united Jerusalem”?

To help us see past the romanticized visions and patriotic slogans and understand the reality behind the image, we will be joined on May 29 at 12:30pm EDT by two experts who know Jerusalem, inside and out: Attorney Daniel Seidemann, founder and director of the NGO, Terrestrial Jerusalem, which tracks all developments in the city that could impact permanent-status options, destabilize the situation, spark violence, or create humanitarian crises; and Dr. Laura Wharton of The Hebrew University of Jerusalem and a member of Jerusalem’s City Council on behalf of Meretz since 2008; she is also the founder of the Cooperative Transportation Association of Jerusalem, which provides transportation service in the city on Shabbat, when no public transportation is available.

The conversation will be moderated by Jacob Magid, who covers the West Bank and the settlements for The Times of Israel. A Q&A will be included. Join us for this timely webinar!

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Speakers

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