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Myths & Facts: Online Exclusive

Does the Geneva Convention prohibit the construction of Israeli settlements?

The [Fourth Geneva Convention](#) prohibits the forcible transfer of people of one state to the territory of another state that it has occupied as a result of a war. The intention was to ensure that local populations who came under occupation would not be forced to move. This is in no way relevant to the settlement issue. Jews are not being forced to go to the [West Bank](#); on the contrary, they are voluntarily moving back to places where they, or their ancestors, once lived before being expelled by others.

In addition, those territories never legally belonged to either [Jordan](#) or [Egypt](#), and certainly not to the Palestinians, who were never the sovereign authority in any part of Palestine. "The Jewish right of settlement in the area is equivalent in every way to the right of the local population to live there," according to Professor Eugene Rostow, former undersecretary of state for political affairs.¹

The [settlements](#) do not displace Arabs living in the territories. The media sometimes gives the impression that for every Jew who moves to the West Bank, several hundred Palestinians are forced to leave. The truth is that the majority of settlements have been built in uninhabited areas, and even the handful established in or near Arab towns did not force any Palestinians to leave.

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Kerry's Shameful Finale

In perhaps the most disgraceful performance by a secretary of state in recent history, John Kerry devoted his last foreign policy address to assail America's closest ally in the Middle East. For more than an hour of his scarce time, Kerry engaged in an undiplomatic attack on Israel, but he doesn't have five minutes to denounce Iran, Russia and the Assad regime for genocide.

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The Jerusalem Post

Time to Bless US-Israel Academic Cooperation

Recently, a study by the Israel on Campus Coalition documented the robust and growing collaboration between Israeli and American researchers, particularly in the sciences. This was a welcome, albeit unsurprising finding that reflects the recognition by US scientists that it is mutually beneficial to work with Israelis who are among the world's leading scholars in fields such as medicine, physics, chemistry and mathematics. The most serious problem on campuses, however, originates in the social sciences and humanities where festering anti-Israel sentiments among faculty have potentially poisoned the minds of generations of students.

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Podcast Start-Up Nation for the Humanities

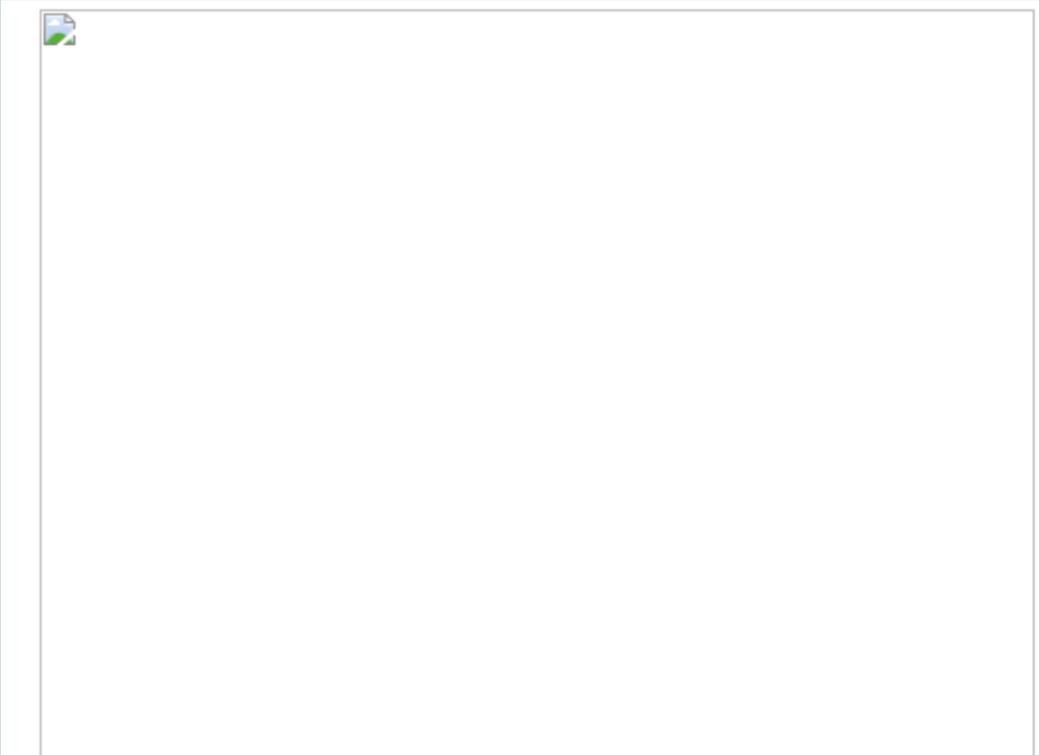
The startup lab: Israel's culture of science

Gad Yair is a professor of sociology and education at the [Hebrew University of Jerusalem](#). He discusses with host Gilad Halpern his forthcoming book *The Unruly Mind*, which analyzes how - and why - Israeli scientists go about

their business in such a different way to their international peers.

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