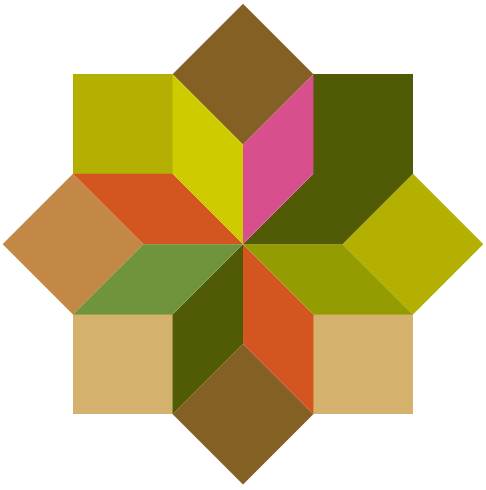
The Navon National Center for Social Cohesion



Our Vision: Building Israel's Shared Future

Bringing Israel's diverse communities together



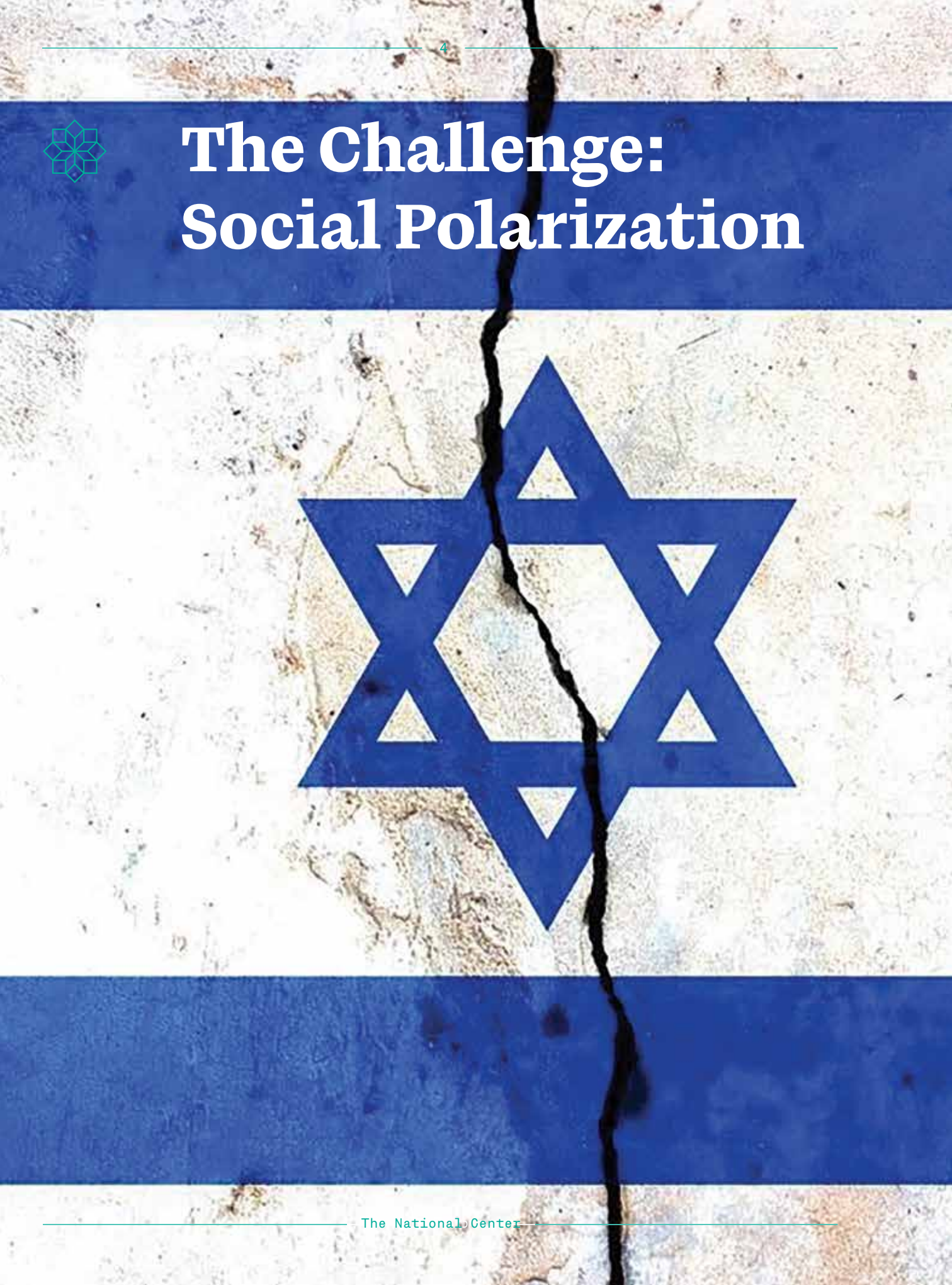
The Navon Center is being established as Israel's National Center for Social Cohesion. Through education, research, and actionable initiatives it will encourage and nurture a sense of mutual responsibility, productive partnerships, and a shared identity among all segments of Israel's diverse population.

Inspired by the unifying legacy of Israel's Fifth President, Yitzhak Navon, the Center aspires to cultivate an egalitarian, culturally diverse, and solidary society; a society capable of navigating its disputes with mutual respect, viewing its plurality of identities as a source of strength, and working collaboratively toward a shared future in the State of Israel.

Dedicated to realizing this vision, the Center will equip its visitors with practical tools to bring about a more cohesive and just society through a multiplicity of programs that will deepen their understanding of Israel's distinct social strata, encourage proactive citizenship, and foster value-driven, responsive, and accessible leadership.



The Challenge: Social Polarization



In recent decades, Israel has become ever more polarized. Acrimony between disparate elements of the society has intensified while fissures between civil society and state institutions have widened.

This deepening divisiveness erodes public trust, undermines the pillars of democracy, complicates strategic planning, and weakens national resilience.

It also has immediate economic implications: decreased productivity, diminished innovation, reduced influx of foreign capital and a decline in international collaboration - all of which jeopardizes Israel's global standing as a stable, reliable, and attractive destination for investment, business ventures, and tourism.

This challenge does not stop at Israel's borders. For Jews around the world, Israel is far more than a place on the map; it is a source of identity, pride, belonging, and shared destiny. But when Israeli society appears unable to hold together, manage disagreement with respect, and embody the values that have long inspired the Jewish people, that connection becomes harder to sustain, especially for younger generations. Strengthening social cohesion in Israel is therefore essential not only to Israel's resilience, but to the living bond between Israel and world Jewry.

The primary danger to Israel's resilience is

"the accelerated trend of weakening social solidarity within social groups, between social groups and the state, and between the individual and the state."

[The Institute for National Security Studies (INSS)]

Almost two-thirds of Israelis believe that

"the internal rifts pose a greater danger to Israel's survival than any external threats."

[The Hebrew University of Jerusalem]

האוניברסיטה העברית בירושלים
THE HEBREW UNIVERSITY OF JERUSALEM

The Strategic Response

”Israel is a multifaceted mosaic of communities, cultures, traditions, and values. Each yearns for the recognition of its unique identity and its distinct contribution to our society.

The goals I have set for myself are to enhance social cohesion, strengthen identification with the State, and fortify a profound sense of partnership among all segments of the nation”

[Yitzhak Navon]



The Government Resolution:

”Israeli society is composed of diverse communities and varied population groups. Societal rifts have accompanied the nation for decades, alongside cultural, social, and economic disparities.

In light of this, it is proposed to establish a center addressing these core issues, named in honor of the late President Yitzhak Navon, who was one of the greatest symbols of unity, mutual responsibility, and social cohesion”

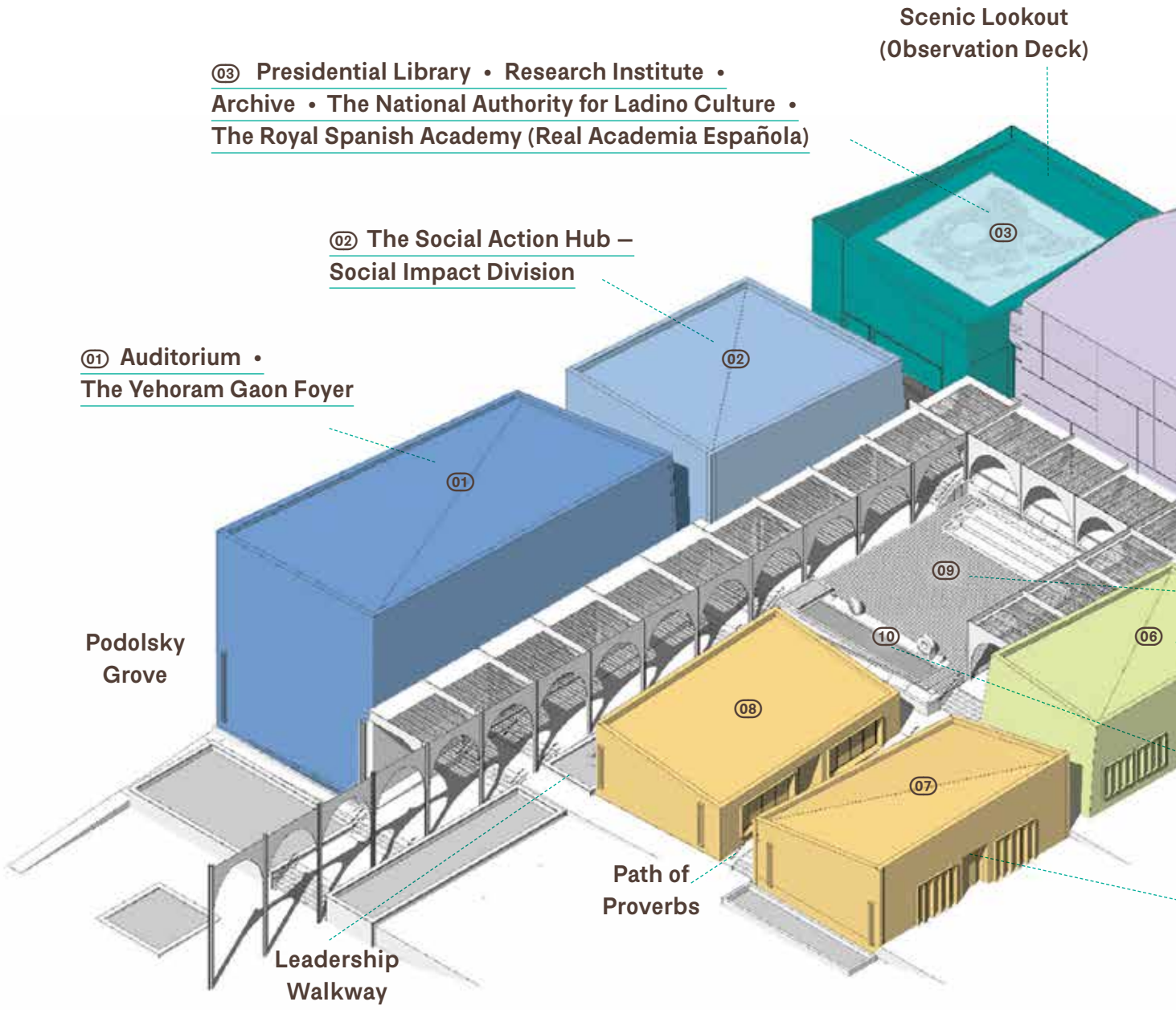
[The Government of Israel’ Resolution No. 3288 Passed on December 24, 2017]

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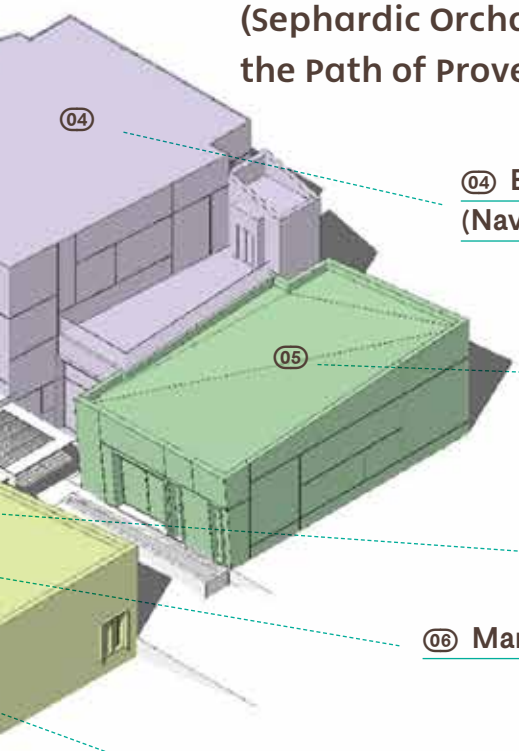


Campus Map & Activity Spaces



The Navon Center will include:

- ✓ The National Center for Consensus-Building and respectful management of social conflicts.
- ✓ A Social Action Hub facilitating partnerships, collaboration and high-impact initiatives.
- ✓ A Leadership and Education Wing encouraging civil responsibility, constructive dialogue, the development of educational content, and identity-building.
- ✓ An Auditorium and Multi-Purpose Activity Spaces hosting a wide variety of cultural events, symposia, and conferences as well as encounters aimed at increasing familiarity with "the other".
- ✓ An Interactive Experiential Museum inspiring action for lasting impact.
- ✓ The National Authority for Ladino Culture, and the Royal Spanish Academy.*
- ✓ Inspirational Outdoor Venues, including Unity Plaza, the Bustan Sephardi (Sephardic Orchard), the Scenic Lookout, the Leadership Walkway, and the Path of Proverbs.



04 Beit Joseph Sagol
(Navon Museum & Exhibition Hall)

05 Leadership &
Education Wing

09 Unity Square

06 Management

10 Bustan Sephardi (Sephardic Orchard)
(Iris & Steve Podolsky)

07 08 Two Modular Activity
Spaces (Up to 8 classrooms)

* Ladino (Judeo Spanish) is the traditional language of Sephardic Jews.



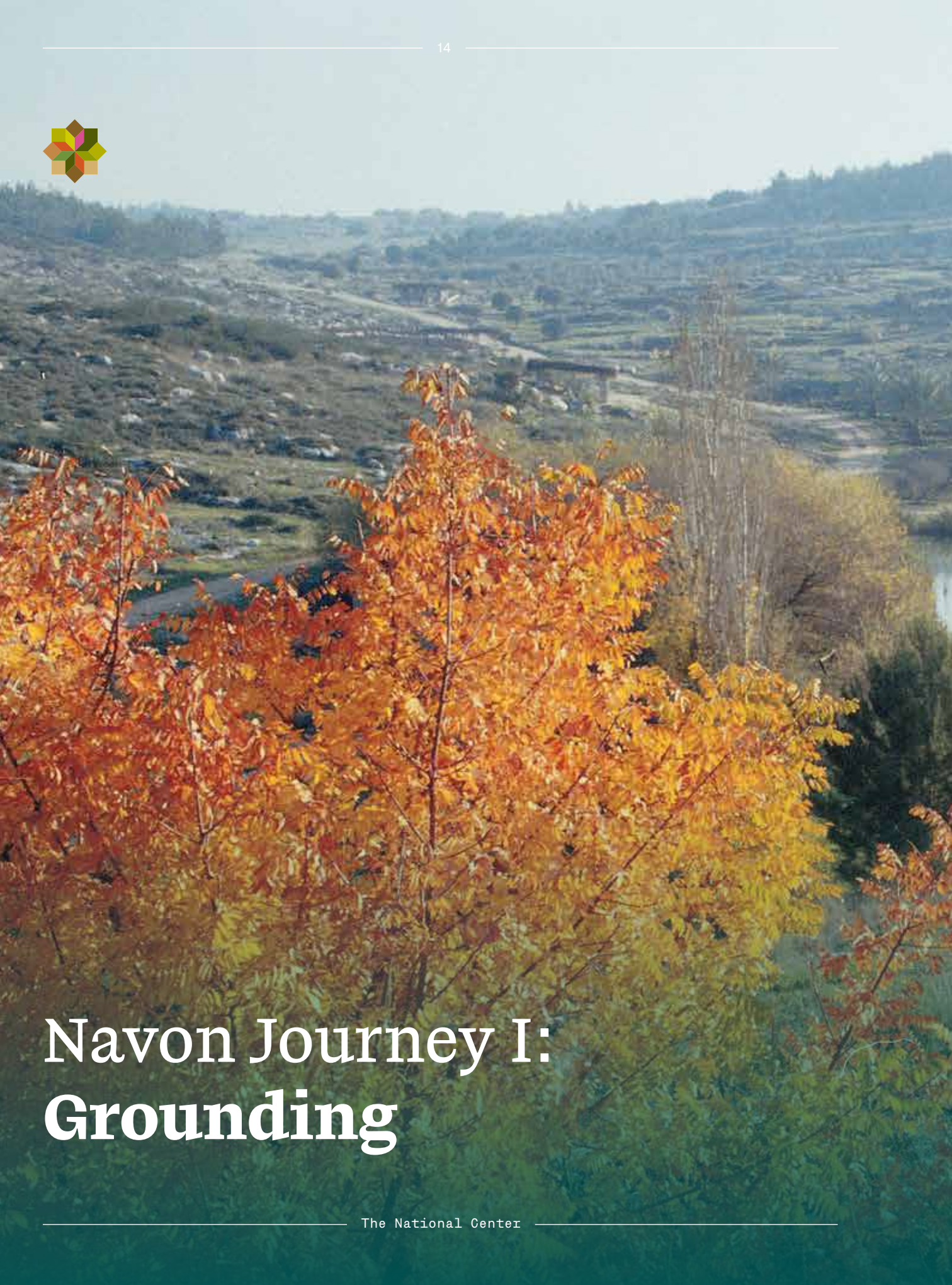




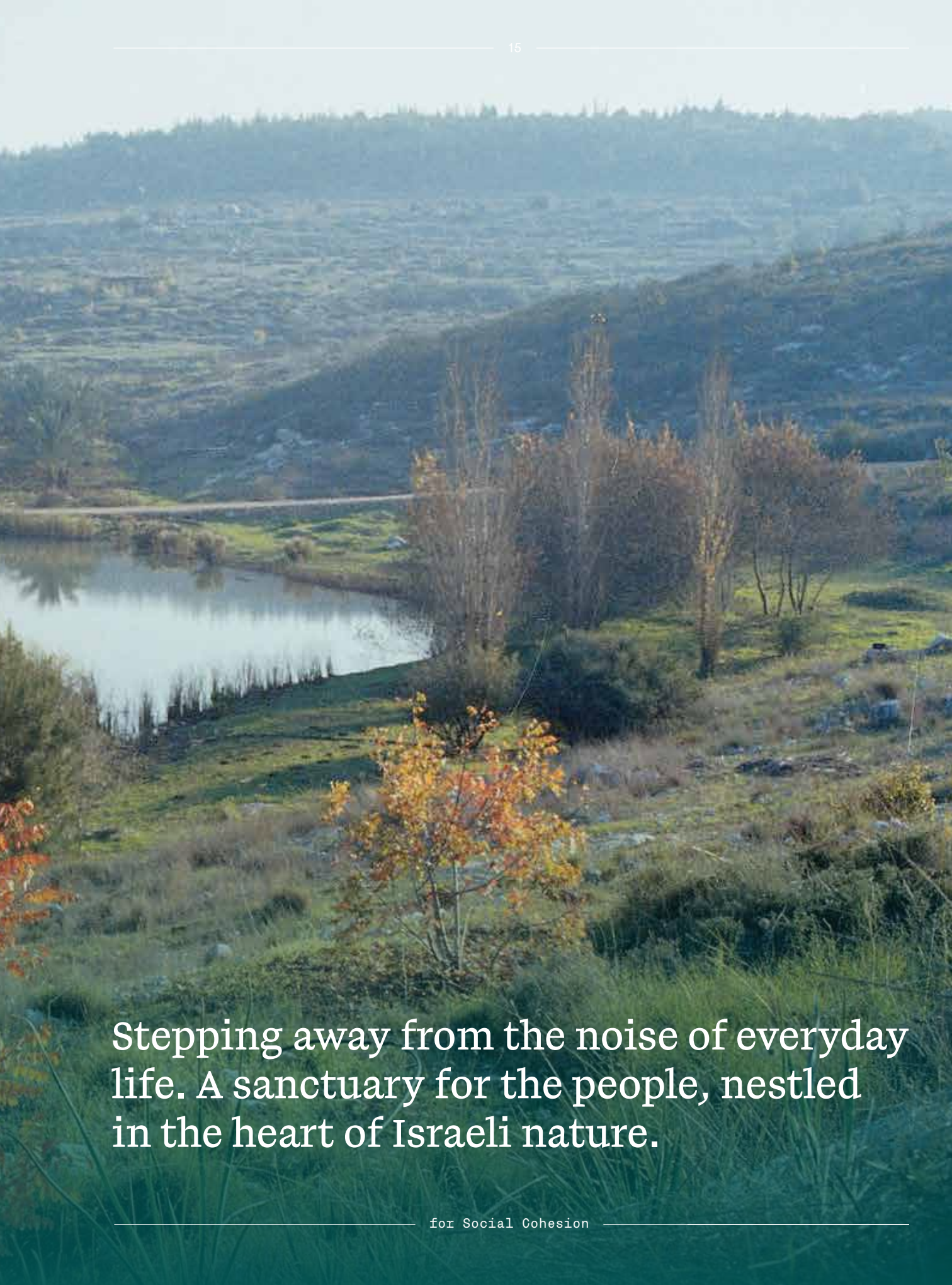
↑ The Museum Avenue –
Facing the exit toward the nature reserve, to the left, the Path of Proverbs.

↖ Unity Plaza –
Ornamental pool, Sephardic orchard, archaeological exhibition, open plaza, natural amphitheater, with the Joseph Sagol House in the background..

← Leadership Walkway –
To the left, the Social Action Hub; to the right, Unity Plaza.



Navon Journey I: **Grounding**



Stepping away from the noise of everyday life. A sanctuary for the people, nestled in the heart of Israeli nature.

Location: Neot Kedumim – Israel's Biblical Nature Reserve



- ✓ The Navon Center is set within Neot Kedumim – Israel's Biblical Nature Reserve, a venue that already welcomes 250,000 visitors each year.
- ✓ It is conveniently located halfway between Jerusalem and Tel Aviv, only 10 minutes from Ben Gurion Airport.
- ✓ It is a spectacular landscape of nearly 620 acres (2,500 dunam) of open landscape, comparable in scale to Central Park in Manhattan.
- ✓ This unique setting allows for a powerful combination of indoor and outdoor activity, with 130 shaded learning areas sculpted into the reserve itself, in addition to the complex of buildings.
- ✓ Together they offer an ideal environment for maximizing the impact of a visit, with workshops, seminars, and guided experiences flowing seamlessly from inside the center to its natural surroundings, saturated with values and inspiring content.

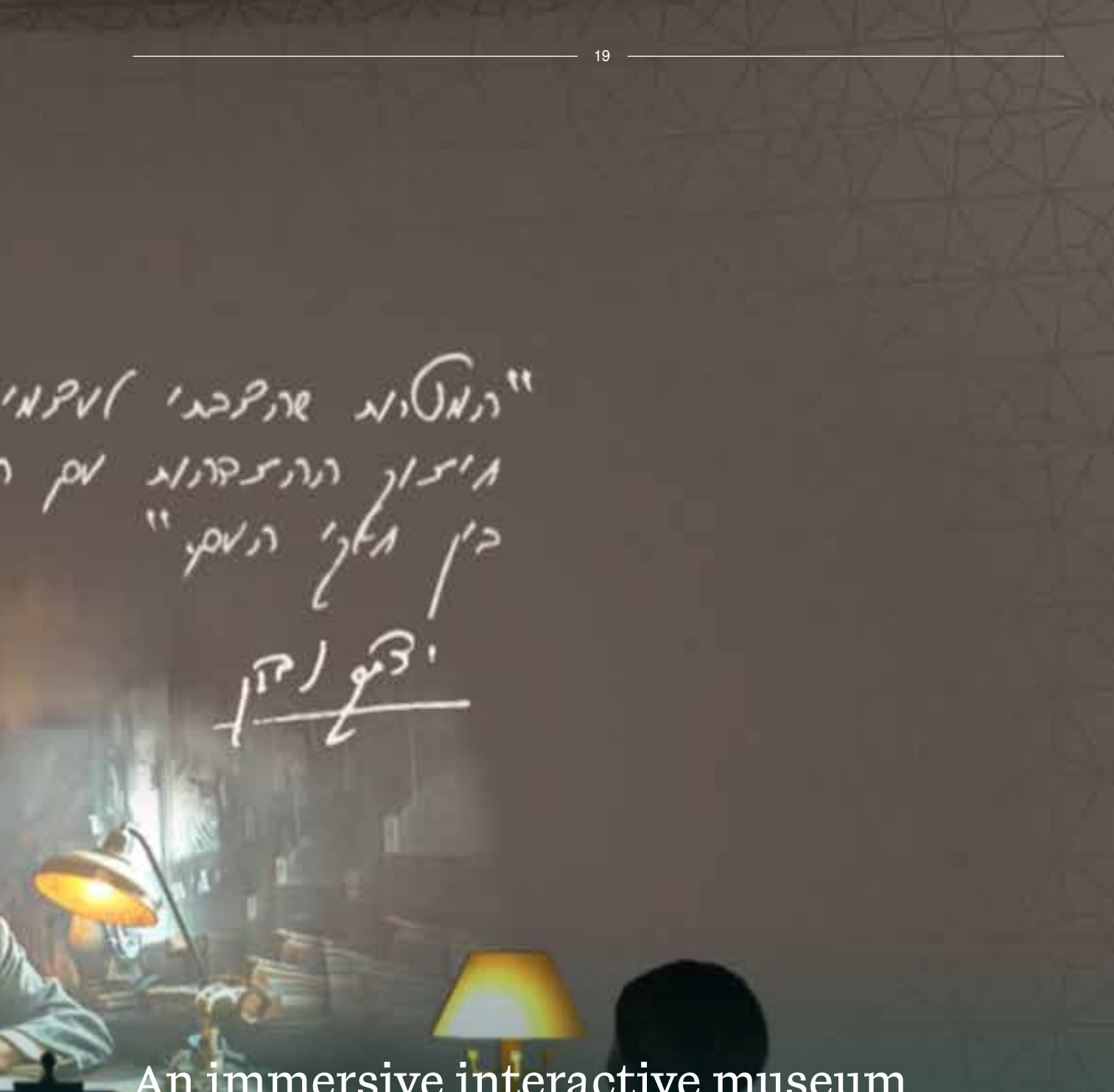
Away from the noise of daily life, It is an environment that invites transformative engagement, emotional openness, personal growth, and a renewed sense of national belonging.

The Center is embedded within a living educational nature reserve: Neot Kedumim, a place that preserves the landscapes of the Land of Israel and the ancient agricultural patterns of biblical times, while fostering love and respect for nature, plants, animals, and the foundations of life itself.

Yitzhak Navon was personally and deeply involved in establishing Neot Kedumim and shaping its mission, serving as chairman of its board. He envisioned the recreation of Israel's biblical landscape and ancient agricultural patterns, so as to foster love and respect for nature, for Jewish heritage, and for the Land of Israel itself. Therefore, it is so fitting this center be established here.



Navon Journey II: **Inspiration**



An immersive interactive museum promoting social cohesion, faithful to Navon's vision: Come to know one another, listen with curiosity, build connections across differences, and commit to bringing about change.

The Navon Spirit

Yitzhak Navon, the Fifth President of the State of Israel, was one of Israel's most beloved public figures: a statesman, educator, writer, bridge-builder, and man of culture whose life reflected a deep commitment to the citizens of Israel in all their diversity.

Born in Jerusalem to a deeply rooted Sephardic family, Navon carried within him the richness of Jewish heritage, the wisdom of many cultures, and a rare ability to speak to every part of Israeli society.

He served for many years at the heart of Israel's public life, including as a close aide to Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion, Member of Knesset, Minister of Education and Culture, and ultimately as President of the State of Israel.

Throughout his life, Navon believed that Israeli society could be stronger not by erasing differences, but by honoring them, creating shared language, and building trust between communities. He championed education, culture, Hebrew and Ladino heritage, social mobility, and the inclusion of social strata too often left at the margins.

As President, together with his wife Ofira, Navon became a unifying figure across Israel's many sectors, ethnic groups, and religious communities. His presidency was marked by humility, warmth, moral clarity, and an unwavering belief in the power of encounter, listening, and shared responsibility.

The Yitzhak Navon Center carries this legacy forward. It transforms Navon's life story and values into a national platform for social cohesion, leadership, education, dialogue, and action. In a time of growing polarization, his dream is not only a memory to preserve, but a compass for the future of Israeli society.

Yitzhak Navon was truly the President of the People. The Center bearing his name is designed to ensure that his vision continues to inspire, connect, and mobilize generations to come.



The Navon Legacy: Cultural Heritage as a Source of Belonging

Rooted in his mother's distinguished Moroccan lineage of Rabbi Chaim Ibn Attar (author of "Or HaChaim"), and in his father's Sephardic heritage, Yitzhak Navon brought to life the foundational values of Sephardic and Mizrahi Jewry:

"the synthesis of science and faith, the wisdom of the "Golden Path" of moderation, and the "Middle Way", and a profound love for the Bible, the Hebrew language, and the Land of Israel."

For Navon, cultural heritage was a living force of dignity, identity, creativity, and connection. He believed that Israeli society could only be whole when all of its traditions were recognized, respected, and woven into the national story. As a descendant of the expellees from Spain, Navon successfully legislated the creation of the National Authority for Ladino Culture, serving as its Chairman from its inception until shortly before his passing, passionately preserving this rich culture and making it accessible to the Israeli public.

As a gifted playwright, Navon wrote "Bustan Sephardi" (Sephardic Orchard), the most successful and longest-running play in Israel's history. Through its music, customs, humor, and proverbs, he placed the beauty, wisdom, and values of Sephardic and Mizrahi culture at the heart of the Israeli ethos. More than a portrait of one community, the play offered a compelling vision of shared life, rooted in dignity, belonging, mutual respect, and partnership.

Navon also played an important role in renewing Israel's relationship with Spain and in gaining Spain's recognition of the expulsion of the Jews. These efforts reflected his core belief- that memory, culture, and reconciliation can become powerful foundations for a shared future.

Habima, The National Theatre, Official poster of the play



The Museum

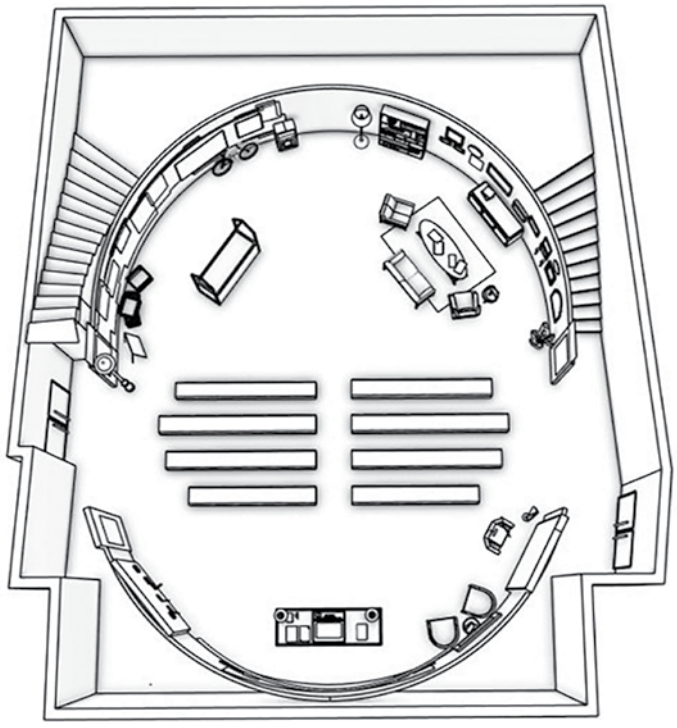
The museum at the National Center for Social Cohesion offers an awe-inspiring journey that seamlessly intertwines the narrative of Navon's life and legacy with an immersive exploration of the values of social cohesion, utilizing cutting-edge AI and interactive technologies.

The visit consists of an interactive expedition through three value-laden spaces that reflect Navon's vision: strengthening social cohesion, deepening identification with the country, and fortifying a sense of belonging among all segments of society.

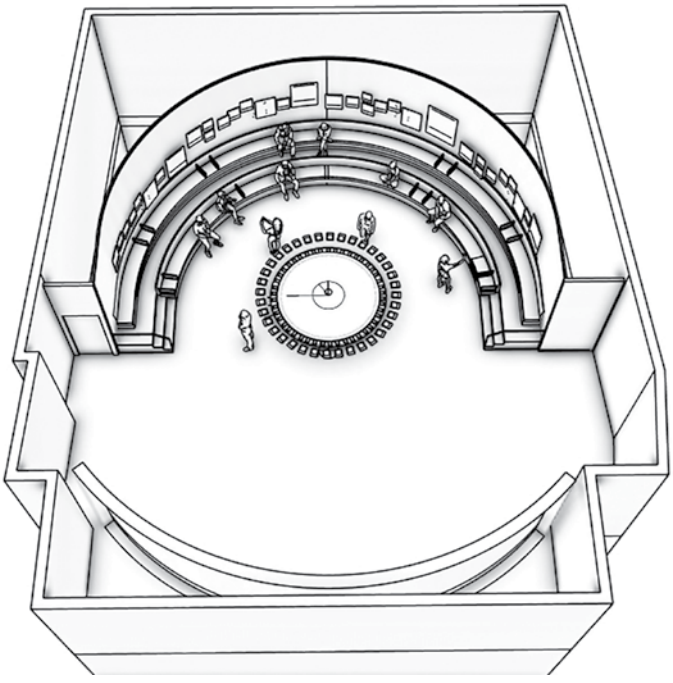
Through experiential exhibits and inspiring case studies, each space equips visitors with accessible, practical tools to promote social cohesion within their own circles of life - in the family, community, education, workplace, and Israeli society at large.

The second floor facilitates the initiation of group activities, empowering visitors to transform inspiration into implementation, forging commitment to bringing about social change.

The experience concludes with a breathtaking panoramic view of Neot Kedumim, stretching at its horizon towards ancient Jerusalem in one direction and modern Tel Aviv in the other - a powerful invitation to recognize the unbreakable bond between past, present, and future.



Navon’s
Inspiration
(Ground Floor)



From Insipiration
to Implementation
(Second Floor)

Immersive Interactive Spaces



”We must learn to listen to different opinions with the same patience with which we look at different faces.”




MISSING PERSON
בוסתן ספרדי
פסטיבל הזמר
רחוב המדרגות
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”Israel is a vibrant mosaic of communities, cultures, traditions, and values”





”The question is not whether there will be disagreements between us, but rather how we will choose to conduct them.”



From Inspiration to Implementation

The second floor of the museum is an interactive complex that guides visitors through four activity areas, each with its own objective, reflecting the urgings of Yitzhak Navon that we get to know one another, learn to listen to those different from ourselves, engage in bringing about change, and commit to forging a better Israel.

✓ To familiarize

"Israeli society is composed of diverse communities and varied population groups. Societal rifts have accompanied the nation for decades, alongside cultural, social, and economic disparities."

✓ To Listen

"The question is not whether we will have disagreements, but rather how we choose to conduct them..."

✓ To Lead Change

The Center will equip visitors with the tools, confidence, and sense of responsibility needed to become active agents of change within Israeli society.
"It is within our power and our hands to reclaim our historical place as a nation that left an indelible mark on human culture."

✓ To Commit

"To take part, even minimally, in the actual doing, and to lay a few bricks in the wall of the State."

The second-floor experience culminates with a powerful film and a personal appeal to the visitors to sign a declaration of commitment to advance within their own circles a more socially cohesive, inclusive, and tolerant society.



Through Navon's Point of View:

Where Nature, Heritage, and Identity Meet

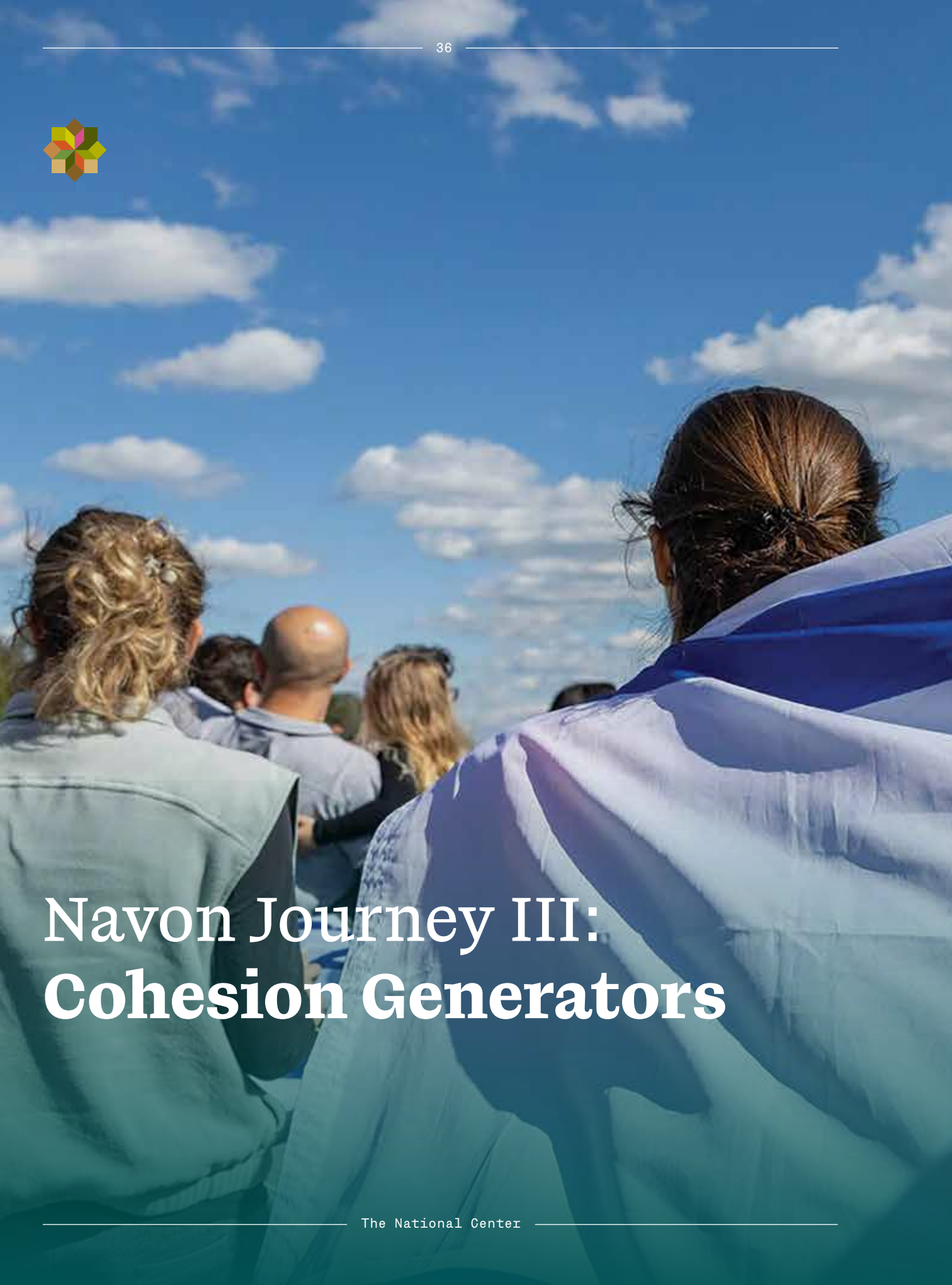
The museum visit concludes as visitors step out onto the observation deck and encounter the breathtaking view of the nature reserve. Already enriched by exposure to Navon's ethos and values, visitors will now be invited to rethink concepts such as landscape, Bible, heritage, culture and identity.

"It is landscape, nature, and ideology intertwined, and it is in their combination that we find our identity. Who we are becomes evident at Neot Kedumim."

[Yitzhak Navon]

[Image Description: View from the Presidential Library and Research Wing's observation deck: the ancient mosaic at the center, framed by the landscape of Israel's Coastal Plain].





Navon Journey III: **Cohesion Generators**



Cross-sector collaboration to advance social cohesion, encouraging cooperation between government, civil society, academia, non-profits, philanthropists, and the private sector to build a collective Israeli ethos.

Turning Vision into Impact

”May we be privileged to build a society imbued with compassion, one that puts an end to the disgrace of poverty, violence, political extremism, and social polarization. A society of high moral caliber that will be a source of pride for us, command respect among the nations of the world, foster profound identification among Diaspora Jewry with the State of Israel, and encourage their immigration”

[Yitzhak Navon]

The Navon Center will serve as a national platform for systemic change in Israel, creating partnerships for action that will have lasting impact.

The Center will bring together accumulated knowledge, experience, and field-tested models from across Israeli society, and translate them into practical initiatives impacting public policy and resulting in scalable social programs.

As an integrative national platform, the Center will create the infrastructure necessary to transform social cohesion from aspiration to policy, bringing together governmental agencies, local authorities, civil society, academia, NGO's, philanthropists, and the private sector. It will connect ideas, people, and institutions, lead collaborative processes, and transform shared knowledge into measurable national impact.

The Center will create the infrastructure needed to transform social cohesion from an abstract aspiration into dynamic reality on a national scale.



The Model: A Shared Impact Model

Coordinated Action Across Areas of Expertise



Shared Vision

The Center as an Integrative Body

Ongoing Communication

Unified Impact Measurement

The National Center for Social Cohesion will implement proven models for measuring social and cultural impact, grounded in international standards and making use of tools tailored to each area of activity, from bringing about change in attitude and consciousness, to building networks of action, to shaping public policy.

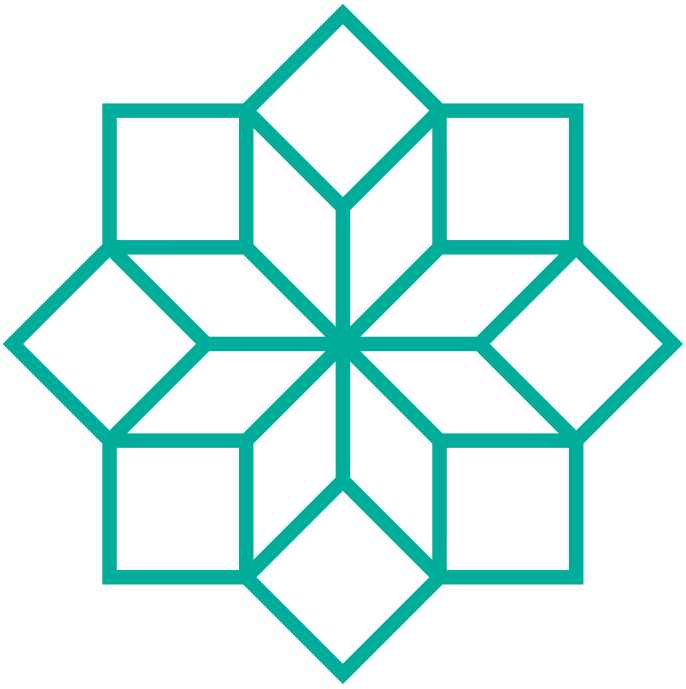
These measurements will generate evidence-based data, allowing for internal assessment of means and their effectiveness, and serving to ensure transparency and accountability among partners.

Shared Vision	Together with its partners, including government, local authorities, civil society, NGOs, business, philanthropy, and academia, the Center will shape a shared national vision and strategy for advancing social cohesion in Israel.
Uniform Impact Measurement	A shared, data-driven measurement system will enable the Center and its partners to assess the impact of diverse initiatives, learn continuously, improve practice, and make informed decisions.
Coordinated Action Across Areas of Expertise	Each partner will contribute its unique expertise, in education, community work, public policy, philanthropy, research, technology, and social innovation, creating a coordinated ecosystem of action.
Ongoing Communication	Structured channels for dialogue, transparency, and knowledge-sharing will ensure continuous alignment, mutual trust, and shared responsibility among all partners.
The Center as an Integrative Body	The Navon Center will serve as the coordinating and integrative body, bringing partners together, shaping a multi-year master plan, aligning initiatives, and leading the process professionally, flexibly, and effectively.

Social Cohesion: How?

Trust
Between Israel's diverse populations and its institutions

Familiarity and Inclusion
Curiosity, dialogue, recognition of distinctiveness



Belonging
Identity, tolerance, contribution, and partnership

Security
Safety, stability, resilience.

"It would be an illusion to assume that a day will come when we all hold the same political opinion, for the sake of so-called unity. The question is not whether there will be arguments among us, but how we conduct them. Our ability to foster meaningful dialogue across Israel's diverse communities will determine our internal resilience and the extent to which we can be called one nation"

[Yitzhak Navon]

Cohesion Generators

The Center will operate as a dynamic arena of action, content, and knowledge: a framework that actively promotes dialogue, consensus building, leadership development, cross-sectoral collaborations, and the implimentation of social initiatives into public and community systems.

To fulfill its mission, the Center will build on an ongoing network of partnerships with civil society organizations, foundations, government ministries, national institutions, and local municipalities. This growing ecosystem builds on long-standing partnerships with municipalities across Israel, already reflected in diverse infrastructure, cultural, recreational, and educational initiatives, as well as a vibrant national network of over 30 schools inspired by Yitzhak Navon's legacy and engaged in ongoing professional and social collaboration.

The Center's activity will be organized around three complementary engines, each designed to address a different aspect of social cohesion:

- ✓ **Prevention & Response: Consensus-Building, Conflict Resolution, and Mediation Initiatives for building agreement and navigating disagreement in the national arena, serving as a "Camp David" for Israeli society.**
- ✓ **Growth, Acceleration, and implementation: Strengthening successful initiatives, expanding their reach, and embedding them within public and community systems.**
- ✓ **Education, Culture, and Public Discourse: Developing identity-based educational content, shared cultural experiences, leadership programs, and meaningful public dialogue.**

Alongside these engines, the Center will operate integrative systems for research, measurement, and knowledge development, supporting the Center's activity and enabling continuous learning, applied knowledge, and long-term impact.

The Strategic Model: Impact Engines for Social Cohesion



Engine A: Prevention and Response



Engine B: Growth, Acceleration, and Implementation



Engine C: Education, Culture, and Public Discourse

Research, Measurement & Knowledge

The Center's research and knowledge axis will operate through a network-based model, in partnership with academic institutions, think tanks, professional knowledge bodies, and local authorities. Together, they will help build a shared professional language and develop unified measurement tools for the field.

Engine A: Prevention and Response

Designed to create a safeguarded institutional framework for managing social disputes and conflicts fostering a high level of trust, aimed at creating actionable agreements within the public sphere.

Focused on mediation, consensus building, and tools for managing, and connecting government, local authorities, communities, and professionals: a kind of ”Camp David” for Israeli society.

These activities will take place in the Social Hub, the Presidential Library and in the Modular Activity Spaces.

Engine B: Growth, Acceleration & Implementation

Dedicated to identifying and strengthening local and organizational initiatives that have already proven effective, helping them expand, scale, and become embedded in public, civic, and community systems.

Focused on acceleration, networking, cross sector partnerships, philanthropic and institutional opportunities and the removal of barriers.

Within the Center, this engine will include a Social Hub acting as a vibrant arena for NGOs and an incubator for social initiatives.

Engine C: Education, Culture & Public Discourse

Designed to build a long-term infrastructure for social cohesion by cultivating skills in dialogue, identity development, and leadership. It will operate through two main tracks: Education & Leadership, and Culture, Dialogue & Identity, with the goal of creating a prevent and foundation to mitigate the severity of future societal rifts, and cultivating a growing network of ambassadors for social cohesion.

It will operate across the Center’s diverse spaces, including the Auditorium, modular activity spaces, the Leadership Wing, and the extensive outdoor arenas within the Neot Kedumim Nature Reserve.

The Social Hub

An arena for civic society organizations, an incubator for social initiatives, and a national center for consensus building.

A dynamic venue for organizations and initiatives working to promote mutual responsibility, respectful discourse, tolerance, and pluralism in the pursuit of Israel as a shared society.

The hub will focus on developing collaboration among organizations and on accelerating practical field-based projects that can create meaningful change within Israeli society.

It will serve as an active platform for connection, partnership, and implementation, enabling ideas to move from vision to action and from local success to broader social impact.

”We must cultivate the original and the unique within every community. Only through the shared contribution of all communities, over time, will the nation come to choose what is truly right for it.”

[Yitzhak Navon]



The Social Hub is designed as a warm and welcoming space for civil society organizations promoting social initiatives and consensus-building processes, affording them a place for dialogue and collaboration leading to social action.





Its architectural language draws inspiration both from the spirit of Jerusalem and the natural landscape of Neot Kedumim, incorporating stone arches, natural materials, soft lighting, wooden elements, and greenery that combine to create a place that feels both rooted and forward-looking, providing a sense of intimacy, openness, and belonging.

Multi-Purpose Auditorium

The multi-purpose auditorium, with a capacity of 300 seats, will serve as a vibrant content center for experiential, cultural, and identity-based programming.

Its purpose is to deepen understanding, inspire engagement, and expand the audience's emotional and intellectual connection to the Center's vision and mission.

Through cultural events, films, performances, exhibitions, conferences, and lectures, the auditorium will become an immersive learning and gathering space inspiring inclusiveness, familiarity with and acceptance of "the other".

Activity in the auditorium will be designed to create "bridges of content", a place where dialogue and meaningful encounters can take shape, and where the experience itself expands the discourse around social cohesion and strengthens a shared sense of belonging.

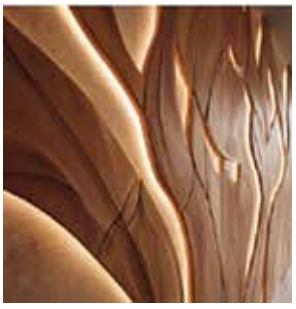




Design Highlights: The auditorium is designed as a warm, refined, and immersive space, inspired by the values that shaped Yitzhak Navon's life and work: culture, dialogue, human dignity, and a deep love for the Land of Israel and its diverse population.
Acoustic wood ceilings with organic, leaf-like grooves will create a soft and enveloping atmosphere, while highlighting the connection to the trees, vegetation, and natural textures of the reserve. The ceiling design will also contribute to acoustic quality and to a sense of intimacy within the hall.







The side walls will feature wooden acoustic panels with a subtle etched motif of branches and leaves, reflecting Navon's belief in culture as a living bridge between people, nature, traditions, and communities.
The auditorium will become a space where the beauty of the place and the spirit of Navon come together to deepen the experience of social cohesion.

Modular Activity Spaces

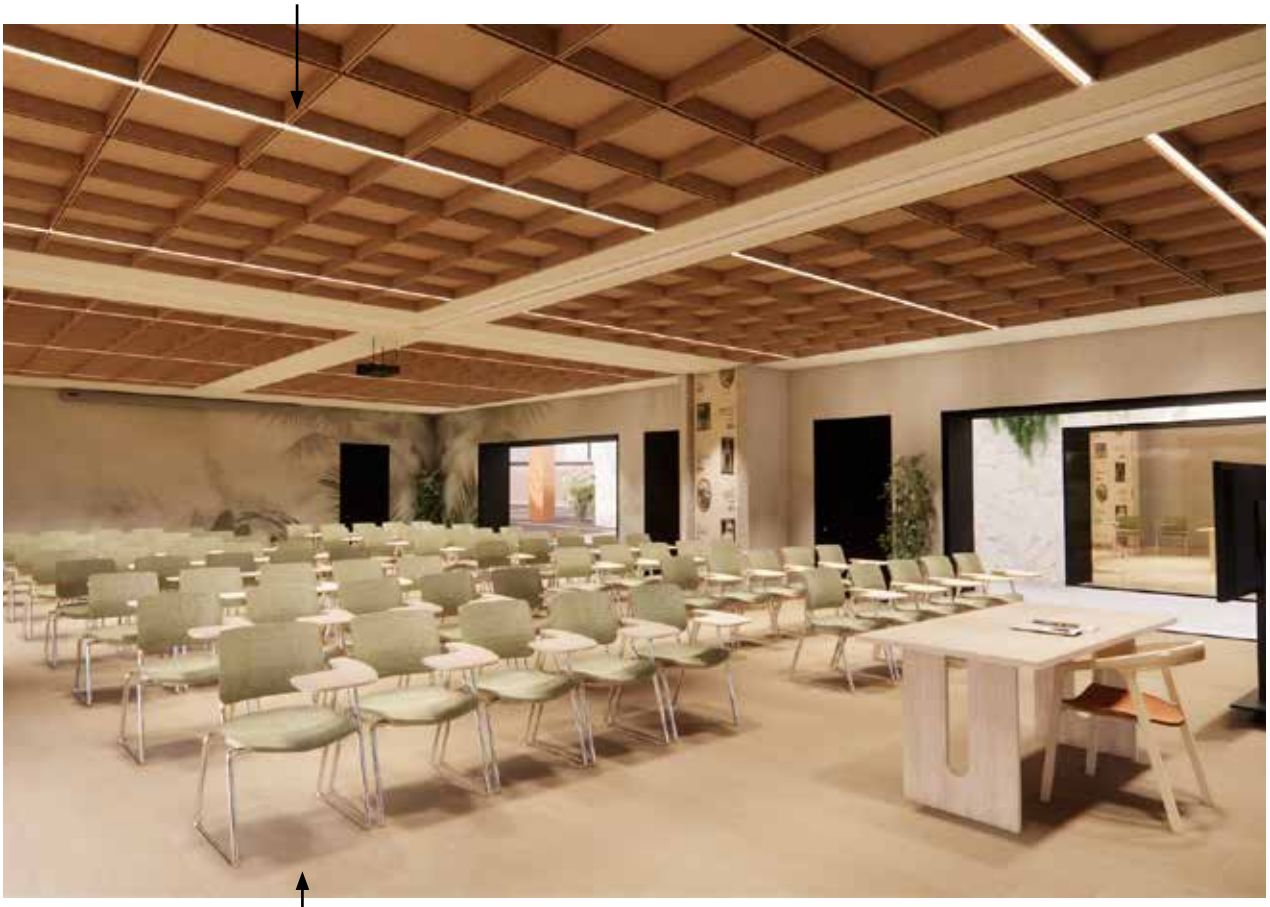
Fully adaptable space that can be divided into eight classrooms to accommodate a wide range of needs: workshops, roundtable discussions, classes , teacher training, youth encounters, seminars, and more.

The venue will be fully equipped with advanced technological infrastructure, designed to support active learning, collaboration, creativity, and multidisciplinary thinking.





The modular activity spaces are designed as warm, flexible learning environments that support dialogue, creativity, and shared action. Acoustic wooden ceilings and natural materials create an inviting atmosphere, connecting the interior space to the biblical landscape of Neot Kedumim and to Navon's deep love for the Land of Israel, its culture, and for human encounter.





Subtle botanical motifs, inspired by the landscapes of the reserve and the world of Bustan Sephardi, bring nature, memory, and cultural identity into the space, reflecting Navon's belief that heritage can become a living bridge between people, communities, and generations.

Research Institutes & Collections

Five Core Spaces

- **The Presidential Library:** Housing a rich collection of books, documents, and writings.
- **The Navon Archives:** A vast collection preserving and making accessible Navon's public, educational, and cultural legacy.
- **The Research Wing:** Advancing academic endeavors in fields of society, culture, education, and identity.
- **The National Authority for Ladino Culture:** Preserving and imparting Ladino culture in Israel and globally.
- **The Royal Spanish Academy:** The official branch in Israel of this institution responsible for overseeing the development of the Ladino language.

A welcoming reception desk, inspired by open hands, will greet visitors with a sense of generosity, openness, and human connection.

An illuminated artistic engraving of a quote by Yitzhak Navon will anchor the space in his values, and spirit.







Terrazzo tiles featuring Ladino inspired patterns and oriental pomegranate flowers, assembled in an interlocking puzzle of warm colors: reflecting Navon's work in advancing Sephardic culture, representing consensus-building as a community puzzle, and promoting multiculturalism.

Leadership and Education Wing

Programs that combine the development of personal competencies, including self-awareness, strategic thinking, and interpersonal communication, for the training of leaders capable of driving social change within their communities.

The Wing will include digital content, interactive workshops, outdoor training activities, dialogue-based training, and values-driven empowerment programs, combining holistic evaluation of impact not only on participants, but also on the wider community around them.



We Dream Of



- We dream of an Israeli society where frank and open **dialogue replaces suspicion**, and bridges replace walls.

- **A shared space where Jews and Arabs, Druze and Christians, Sephardi and Ashkenazi, ultra-Orthodox, traditional, religious and secular, new immigrants and veteran Israelis, can all feel part of one shared story, bound by a deep sense of belonging and mutual responsibility for Israel's future.**

- A young generation that knows not only how to argue, but also how to **listen, connect and conciliate**.

- A civic leadership that cultivates solutions not from a place of alienation, but from a sense of **mutual responsibility**.

- A state where **diversity is not a threat, but a source of strength**.

- A national institution in the heart of the country that links **vision, action, and impact**, and for the sake of all its citizens.

- An exemplary society, enhancing its standing within the family of nations, its role in fighting antisemitism, its serving as a beacon for Diaspora Jewry, and its promise as a light unto the nations.

The Center will operate as a unique civic platform, coordinating between government ministries, civil society organizations, local initiatives, and academic institutions.

Partners



העמותה להנצחת מורשת
הנשיא החמישי יצחק נבון

The Association for the Commemoration of the Fifth President Yitzhak Navon

”We have one precious treasure: the human being. And this human being, from infancy to old age, must be nurtured with all our strength, heart and mind, until he realizes his full potential, and even beyond that”

[Yitzhak Navon]

Government of Israel

Neot Kedumim

The Sagol Network

KKL-JNF (Jewish National Fund)

Keren Hayesod – United Israel Appeal

World Zionist Organization (WZO)



The Navon Schools Network

The National Authority for Ladino Culture

Real Academia Española (Royal Spanish Academy)

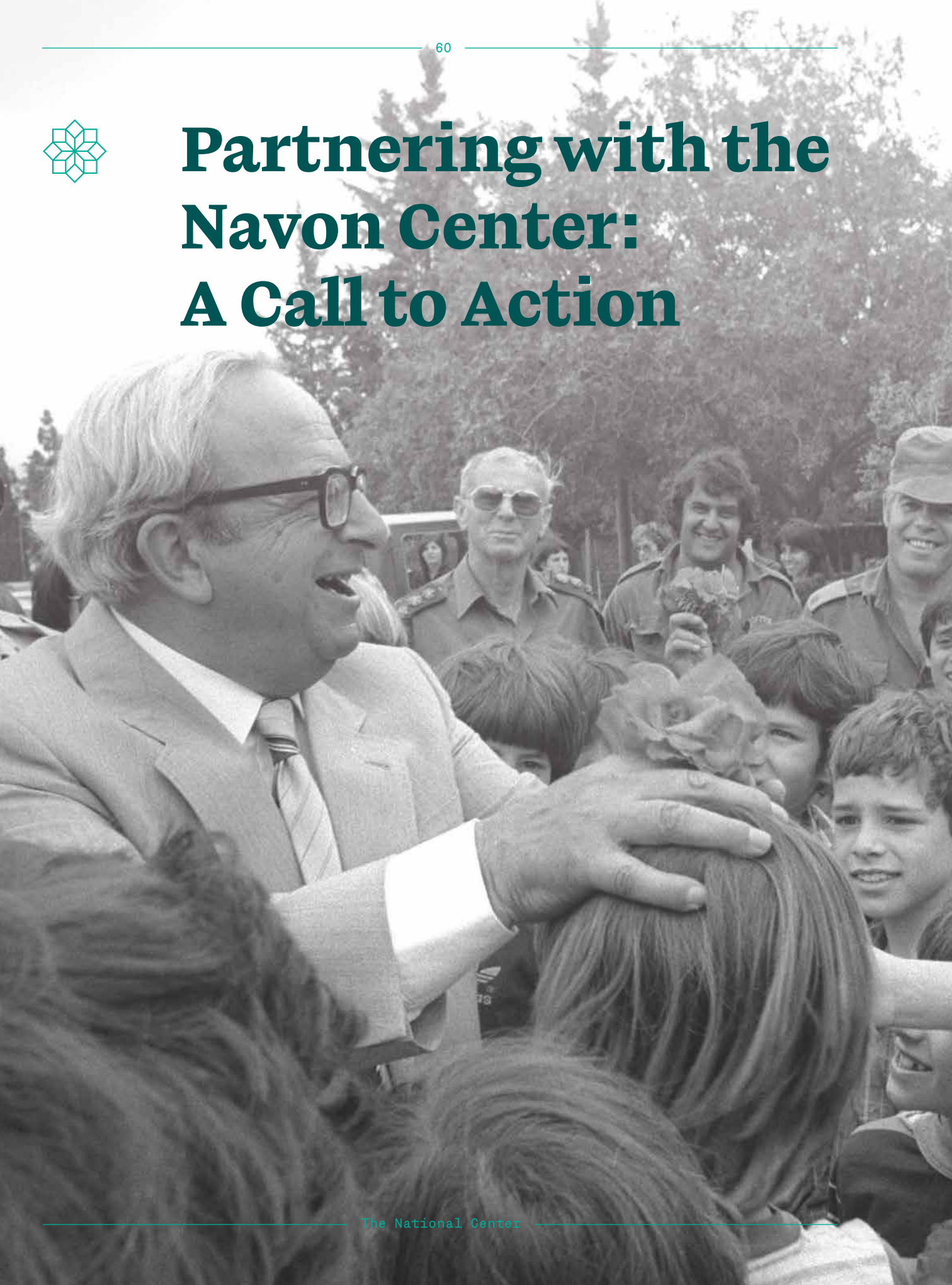
Team Studio Architects

Breeze Creative

Setter Architects

Ran Wolf – Urban Planning & Project Management

Partnering with the Navon Center: A Call to Action



✓ **Critical Timing:**
Israeli society is at a critical crossroads. The Navon Center offers a timely and strategic opportunity to invest in resilience, hope, and social cohesion for generations to come.

✓ **Filling a Strategic National Gap:**
Israel currently lacks a central national body dedicated to advancing social cohesion through practice, research, and education. The Navon Center is designed to fill this strategic gap, creating the infrastructure needed to transform broad public commitment into coordinated action and measurable national impact.

✓ **Systemic Impact:**
The Navon Center is designed as an integrative national platform that connects, leads, and coordinates large-scale partnerships at a national level, generating a profound cross-sectoral impact.

✓ **An Innovative & Professional Approach:**
The Center will implement proven models such as Collective Impact and advanced impact-measurement methodologies, supporting effective action, accountability, and evidence-based policy.

✓ **Investing in Social Multiplier:**
By combining a landmark physical campus, high-impact programming, and strategic partnerships, the Navon Center will become a powerful engine for collaboration, innovation, and lasting social action.

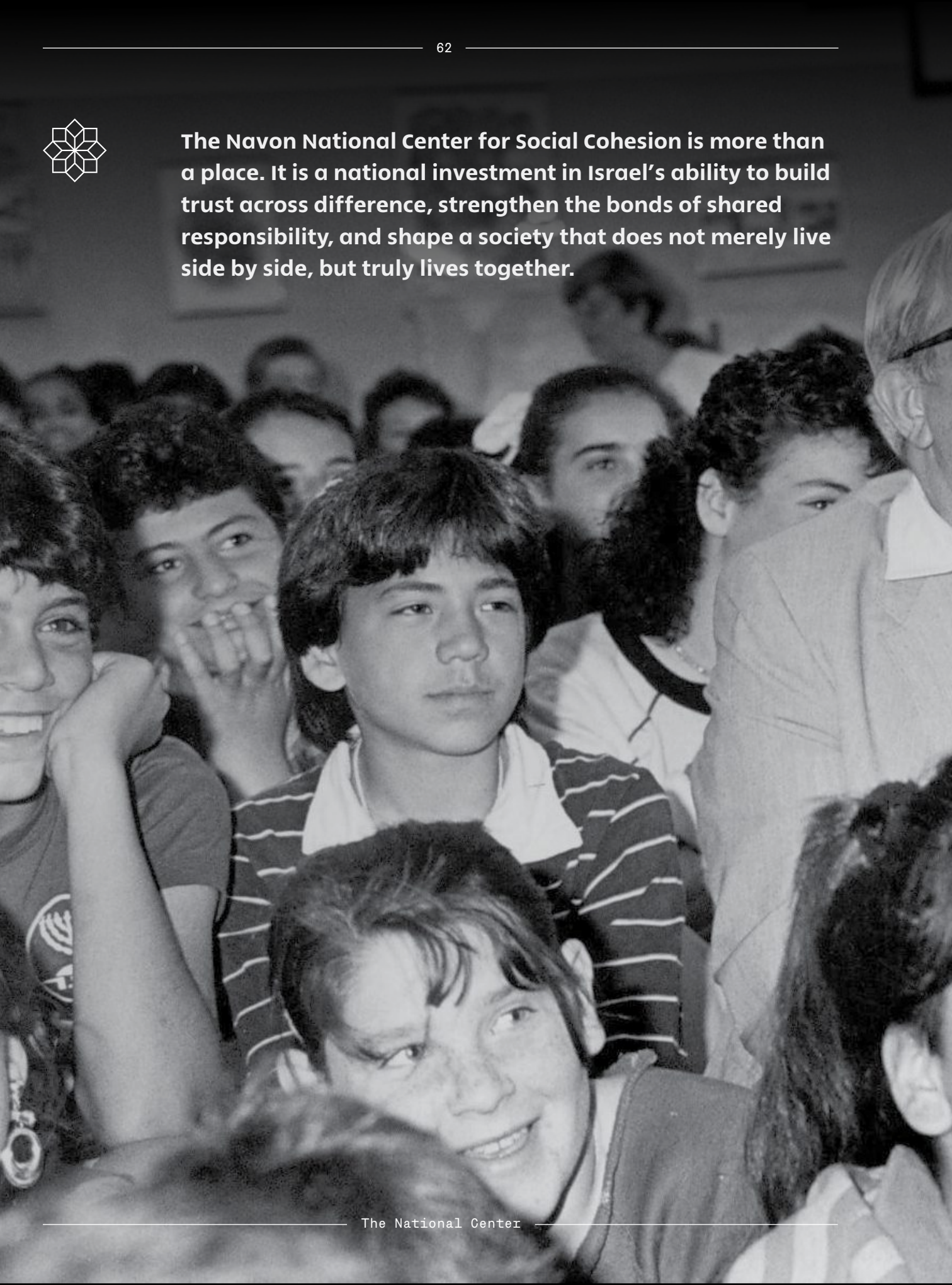
✓ **Addressing Ground-Level Realities:**
The Center will act with and for populations from across the full spectrum of Israeli society – Jews and Arabs, religious and secular, the geographic center and the periphery- through training, encounters, education, social action, and entrepreneurship.

✓ **Inspiring Leadership:**
The Center bears the name of a leader whose life's work was devoted to building bridges within Israeli society. It will serve as a source of inspiration for promoting values-driven leadership committed to inclusivity, empowering every visitor to build bridges, strengthen a sense of belonging, and lead change within their own circles of influence.

✓ **A Journey of Hope and National Responsibility:**
At a time when Israeli society faces complex challenges, directing resources toward cohesion is a profound moral declaration of hope, trust, and deep care for the future of the Israeli society.

✓ **The "Yitzhak Navon" Schools Network:**
More than 30 schools and high schools across Israel proudly carry Yitzhak Navon's name, creating a powerful educational platform for promoting the vision of social cohesion, belonging, and partnership throughout Israel.

The Navon National Center for Social Cohesion is more than a place. It is a national investment in Israel's ability to build trust across difference, strengthen the bonds of shared responsibility, and shape a society that does not merely live side by side, but truly lives together.





”It would be an illusion to assume that a day will come when we all hold the same political opinion, for the sake of supposed unity. The question is not whether there will be arguments among us, but how we conduct them.

Our ability to foster meaningful dialogue across Israel’s diverse communities will determine our internal resilience and the extent to which we can be called one nation.”

[From President Navon’s Address on Israel’s 35th Independence Day, April 17, 1983]

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