

Call for Applications

Shimon Peres Prize 2026

What is the Shimon Peres Prize?

The [Shimon Peres Prize](#) is given to **two outstanding German-Israeli projects** each year. The German-Israeli Future Forum Foundation and the Federal Foreign Office award the Shimon Peres Prize to commemorate the former Israeli President and Nobel Peace Prize winner Shimon Peres. The prize honors initiatives by **young people, committed to our democratic societies**.

Who can apply?

We are particularly interested in **innovative projects** that have inspired **young people** to engage in **German-Israeli cooperation** and had a broad public impact. We are looking for projects that took place over a **longer period of time** and promoted long lasting **individual and/or professional connections** between young Israelis and Germans. Did you run an Israeli-German environmental, educational, political, or cultural project or something completely different? Then apply – we are excited to hear about your initiatives!

The following initiatives can apply:

- Individuals and organizations from Israel and Germany that implemented a project – digitally or in person – within the **last three years**.
- Projects in which the majority of participants were between **18 and 45 years old** during the project period.
- Projects that have been **completed**, and can **show concrete results**, at the time of application. In exceptional cases, projects that have not yet been completed may also apply if they can already demonstrate concrete results.

Government employees and projects carried out exclusively by ministries or government agencies are excluded from participation. The winners will be selected by an independent Jury of high-ranking members from the fields of culture, politics, civil society and the media in both countries.

Award money

Each prize is endowed with the amount of 10,000 euros.

How to apply

Applying for the Shimon Peres Prize 2026 is easy. In addition to a few formal questions, you need to submit a short project description and tell us why you carried out the project, what results you achieved and who took part. Please apply via our [Shimon Peres Prize 2026 Application Form](#).

Application deadline

Applications for the **Shimon Peres Prize 2026** can be submitted until **April 30, 2026**.

Award ceremony

We are planning the award ceremony for early **November 2026** in the City Hall of Berlin. Award winners are expected to be informed in mid-July 2026.

If you are looking for impressions of the award ceremonies of the last years, you may find them [here](#). Information on the former award winners can be found [here](#).

If you have any questions about applying for the Shimon Peres Prize, please contact Miriam Daur: daur@dizf.de