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Extraordinary Zionist Congress set for J'lem

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The Extraordinary Zionist Congress, marking the 75th anniversary of the independence of the State of Israel and the 125th anniversary of the first Zionist Congress in Basel, will be held at the International Convention Center in Jerusalem between April 19-21. Over 2,000 Jewish leaders and young people from Israel and all over the world will gather in Jerusalem.

The conference, with President Isaac Herzog in attendance, will be held for three days. Leaders will discuss strengthening the relationship between the different parts of the Jewish people, the challenges of Zionism today and more. Additionally, hundreds of entrepreneurs will be hosted to promote the actualization of Herzl's vision in 2023.

Yakov Hagoel, Chairman of the World Zionist Organization, said: "We are proud to host the thousands of Jewish leaders and entrepreneurs coming from all over the world, despite the tense security situation in Israel, as a gesture of Zionist unity and solidarity. The situation in Israel requires us to remember that we are family, and it doesn't matter where each of us comes from in the world. Herzl's entrepreneurial vision did not only include the establishment of a Jewish state in the Land of Israel, but also the establishment of an economic and social entrepreneurial society com-



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mitted to creating a better world. The thousands of leaders and young men and women who will come to the Congress will discuss the challenges in the Jewish world as well as focus on the goal of marketing the State of Israel back to their countries and communities as a Jewish state based on Herzl's democratic and social foundations."

Several gatherings will be held at the special Zionist Congress, including the Herzl Conference for Social and Economic Entrepreneurship, with over 300 entrepreneurs who seek to put Herzl's vision into practice. A youth conference for informal education and young leadership will also be held as part of the Congress. Among the participants will be 1,000 young Israelis who will meet with young people from around the world.