

**EUROPEAN UNION AMBASSADOR TO ISRAEL TO RESPOND PERSONALLY TO QUESTIONS IN
'EUROPE DAY' FACEBOOK CHAT**

Live chat to take place on May 16 from 15.00-17.00

As part of the policy of the Delegation of the European Union to Israel to communicate directly and openly with the Israeli public, the Delegation will hold a live chat with EU Ambassador to Israel, Lars Faaborg-Andersen, on 16.5.16 from 15.00-17.00, Israel time. For two hours the Ambassador will personally answer a range of questions asked by surfers on the Facebook page of the [Delegation of the European Union in Israel](#) .

This internet encounter will take place in the context of Europe Day which falls on May 9. The date of Europe Day coincides with the date of the 1950 "Schuman Declaration", the vision of the French foreign minister Robert Schuman to establish a European Coal and Steel Community, a step which would make war between historic rivals France and Germany "not merely unthinkable, but materially impossible". His vision was realized and expanded until, years later, it became the European Union of today. In the Member States of the European Union, Europe Day is devoted to events and ceremonies inspired by European values.

David Kriss, Press & Information Manager of the Delegation of the European Union to the State of Israel: "The aim of the chat is to create a direct line of communication between the European Union's most senior official and the Israeli public. We are open to answering any question asked by surfers. Our aim is to deepen the communication between the European Union and the Israeli public by means of this chat and the other actions we carry out on our Facebook page.

Surfers are invited to ask the Ambassador questions about the European Union's activities in Israel and throughout the world, as of today on the Delegations Facebook page. The Ambassador will answer them on Monday, May 16 between 15.00-17.00.

Enter the chat and post your questions now in English or in Hebrew, by clicking this link <https://www.facebook.com/Europe.in.Israel/>

