

# Co-Existence in Israel

The Beginning of  
True Freedom



A group of international students from EMIS (pic courtesy of em-is.org)

## Starting with the Youth of Today...

✦ The **Eastern Mediterranean International School** at Hakfar Hayarok, consists of 20% Israelis, 20% Palestinians, and 60% Internationals. The students learn and live together and are steeped in the values of respect, diversity and global citizenship. Learn more at [em-is.org](http://em-is.org).

✦ In 2009, Israeli Edna Fast, through her non-profit **LunArt**, began offering a free college prep course for Arab-Israeli high school graduates who wanted to pursue art and who needed professional help to increase their chances in the competitive college admission process. Focusing on the Arab community in this way made sense to Edna when she realized that talented students received no encouragement or support from the Arab community in this arena. [Watch here](#) as a Christian Arab women tells how another LunArt project brought Arabs and Jews together.

## And then to the Leaders of Today...

✦ **Stef Wertheimer**, Billionarie Israeli Industrialist created 7 Arab-Jewish industrial employment hubs stressing exports, education, coexistence, community and culture. The latest one is in Nazareth, a mostly Christian Arab city in the North of Israel. All Industrial Parks are functioning successfully and proving that co-existence is possible in a day to day setting.

✦ The **Israel-Jordan Academic Emergency Medicine Collaboration** at Ben-Gurion University of the Negev (BGU) realizes the dream of inter-nation cooperativeness from Jordanian Red Crescent President Dr. Mohammed al-Hadid, along with Prof. James Torczyner, director of the McGill Middle East Program in Canada and Israeli Prof. Jimmy Weinblatt, former rector at BGU. With cooperation from Magen David Adom and International Red Cross these two teams, Jordanian and Israelis, [trained with each other](#) and are ready to handle any need that arises in their region, together.