

INVITATION TO PARTICIPATE

Understanding Jewish communities

Dear Oleh/Olah,

In 2017, a major Jewish community survey was undertaken in Australia, completed by over 8,600 participants. This project has now been extended to Jewish communities in Asia and to Olim currently living in Israel from Australia and New Zealand. This is the first study of Australian and New Zealand Olim and we invite you to take part in this exciting opportunity to contribute to our understanding of your life in Israel. The project is designed to produce a detailed understanding of communal differences and patterns of change within Jewish populations.

Professor Andrew Markus at the Australian Centre for Jewish Civilisation, Monash University, is the chief investigator of the Gen17 project and he will be joined by Professor David Mittelberg (ACJC, Monash University and Oranim Academic College, Israel) and Adina Bankier-Karp (ACJC, Monash University) in the analysis of the survey findings. The survey is being conducted in cooperation with Telfed – South African Zionist Federation (Israel).

You are invited to complete our online survey, which on average takes 15 minutes. The survey link appears here: [AustraliaNZOlimStudy](#). Your participation is entirely voluntary and you can withdraw at any time. All participants must be at least 18 years of age. No personal or identifying information will be collected. Please also consider circulating this invitation to other Olim from Australia and New Zealand.

Approval from the Monash University Human Research Ethics Committee has been obtained prior to the commencement of this project. Storage of your data will adhere to University regulations and will be kept on password-secured computers. Data will be retained for a minimum of five years, for extensive analysis. A report of completed studies will be made available free of cost via the ACJC website.

If you would like to contact the researchers about any aspect of this study, please contact David Mittelberg (Israel: +972 523 756 230) or Adina Bankier-Karp (Australia: +61 433 848 638).

If you have a complaint concerning the manner in which this research is being conducted, please contact: the Monash University Human Research Ethics Committee, Monash University, Clayton Campus, Clayton VIC 3800 Australia. Ph: +61 3 9905 5490. Email: muhrec@monash.edu The project reference number is 17195.

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