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**MASHAV - Israel's Agency for International Development Cooperation**

**MCTC – MASHAV Carmel International Training Center**

invite professionals

to participate in the

# International Course:

# Combating Gender-Based Violence

**February 14-26, 2027**



## About the Course

### Background

Gender-based violence (GBV) remains one of the major obstacles to achieve fundamental human rights worldwide. All types of violence - physical, sexual, psychological and economic - affect people of all origins and social backgrounds, yet most of the victims are women, especially in times of crisis. Despite international, regional and national efforts to prevent and combat violence and despite countries' commitments to eradicate this phenomenon, violence against women persists and even increases.

The main challenge in implementing effective policies to combat violence against women is the lack of real understanding of its underlying causes, rooted in persistent gender inequalities influenced by social and cultural norms and structures.

Alongside existing prevention and intervention models of combating violence, a survivor-centered approach is also needed to empower those who have experienced violence of any kind. Proper, effective and accessible psychosocial support mechanism for survivors of GBV is crucial for their health, rehabilitation and ability to cope with long lasting consequences of trauma.

MCTC – MASHAV Carmel International Training Center contributes to the global effort to eradicate GBV through its programs sharing Israeli expertise in this field for the past two decades. Throughout this two-week course, participants will be exposed to innovative approaches and best practices in the areas of service provision, intervention and support for survivors of gender-based violence.

### Aims

- Analyze causes of GBV as well as means of intervention
- Analyze social policy as it relates to prevention and treatment of violence and rehabilitation of survivors
- Discuss issues related to working with the judicial system and the police
- Learn about the survivor-centered approach for treatment
- Explore the benefits of long lasting intervention and treatment of trauma
- Study the implications that crises have on Gender Based Violence
- Exchange experiences and ideas on concepts, programs and methodologies applied in participants' respective countries

### Main Subjects

The program includes lectures, workshops and study visits that take a closer look at:

- ❖ Violence as a phenomenon and the environment in which it occurs, especially in times of crisis
- ❖ Intervention models and techniques for supporting survivors
- ❖ Shelters as institutes for protection and recovery
- ❖ Rehabilitation services and structures
- ❖ Short–term and long-term treatment of trauma
- ❖ Survivor-centered approach

## Application

### Application Requirements

The Course is intended for professionals working in social service organizations, officials from national government and local authorities; NGO representatives; police officers, lawyers; psychologists and psychotherapists; social workers; representatives of crisis centers as well as health care and social security programs. Candidates should have at least five years of professional experience in related fields. Age eligibility to apply is 30-55 years old. **A good command of spoken and written English is essential.**

### Application forms

An online application forms may be obtained through the link
https://mashav-mfa.formtitan.com/ftproject/mashavhome
Please select the English language and enter the course code **7362**
Completed application forms, including Health declaration must be submitted no later than **December 11, 2026**.

## General Information

### Arrival and Departure

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| Arrival date: | 14/02/2026 |
| Opening date: | 15/02/2026 |
| Closing date: | 25/02/2026 |
| Departure date: | 26/02/2026 |

Participants must arrive at the training center on the arrival date and leave on the departure date. Early arrivals/late departures if required, must be coordinated by the participants themselves directly with the center and must be paid for by the participant.

### Location and Accommodation

The course will be hosted at The Golda Meir MASHAV Carmel International Training Center (MCTC), located at 12 David Pinsky st., Haifa. Participants will be accommodated at MCTC in double rooms (2 persons per room).

The scholarship covers the cost of the training program including lectures and field visits, full board accommodation in double rooms (two participants per room), health insurance (see below) and transfers to and from the airport. MASHAV does not provide a daily allowance and does not cover flight costs.

### Health Services

Medical insurance covers medical services and hospitalization in case of emergency. **It does not cover** the treatment of chronic or serious diseases, specific medications taken by the participant on a regular basis, dental care and eyeglasses. Health authorities recommend

that visitors to Israel make sure they have been inoculated against tetanus in the last ten years. Participants are responsible for all other expenses.

## About MASHAV

MASHAV – Israel's Agency for International Development Cooperation - mission is to lead the State of Israel's efforts in empowering individuals and communities by sharing tools and expertise to achieve transformation within their own societies.

By placing people at the heart of development, and in alignment with the United Nations 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, we focus our development activities on human capacity building and on the "training of trainers" approach, sharing with other countries Israel's own experience and expertise as well as innovative technologies and tested methodologies.

MASHAV's professional capacity building activities take place both in Israel and in partner countries and focus on areas in which Israel has a comparative advantage and accumulated expertise:

- Food Security and Agriculture,
- Education for All
- Medicine and Public Health
- Community Development,
- Innovation and Entrepreneurship
- Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment
- Rural-Urban Development
- Research and Development
- Emergency Planning and Response and Humanitarian Aid

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## About The Golda Meir Mashav "Carmel" International Training Center

The Golda Meir Mount Carmel International Training Center (MCTC) was established in 1961 to assist in the training of women engaged in community work in the newly emerging states in Africa and Asia. Since the establishment of MCTC, more than 30,000 participants from over 147 countries in Asia, Africa, Europe, Central Asia, Eastern Europe, Latin America, the Middle East, Oceania, and the Caribbean have attended over 700 capacity-building programs and workshops and 32 International Conferences for Women Leaders, conducted in Israel.

MCTC focuses on three areas of study: Community Development, Early Childhood Education, Innovation and Entrepreneurship, all with gender as a crosscutting issue. In each training program there are up to 26 women and men from 10 to 26 countries. Usually two workshops are conducted concurrently in different languages (English, French, Spanish, Russian, or Arabic).

The Center is located on Mount Carmel in Haifa. The building consists of living accommodation and classrooms, as well as recreation and dining facilities. Wi-Fi is available on the premises.

MCTC enjoys the active cooperation of international organizations, governmental and non-governmental organizations and development authorities.

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