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Today's newsletter looks at peace in Gaza and the possibility of war with Iran, the reasons behind the widespread rejection of Israel in the Arab world and poverty in Israel

Today's topics

Gaza, Iran: what next? With the return to Israel of the last hostage murdered by Hamas on 7 October 2023 and then taken to Gaza, Phase 1 of the US peace plan for Gaza has been completed. Phase 2 has now begun. But little is happening so far — not least because all eyes are on Iran, where the United States may soon attempt to topple the regime by military means. [Gaza: Waiting for the next step – and a war against Iran - FokusIsrael](#)

Arab hatred of Israel. Despite some easing at the political level, the vast majority of people in Arab countries still reject the State of Israel and wish for its destruction. Arab political scientist Mohamed Diwan has explored the reasons for this. It is his first of four articles on perceptions of Israel in the Arab world. [Why the Arab world does not accept Israel - FokusIsrael](#)

Poverty in Israel. Areas where Arabs and the ultra-Orthodox live are particularly affected by poverty in Israel. This is partly due to the high number of children in these two communities. Children are therefore the group most affected by poverty in Israel: four out of ten suffer from it. This is shown by a new analysis by Israel's National Insurance Institute (NII). [**Poverty in Israel: Arabs and the ultra-Orthodox are the hardest hit - FokusIsrael**](#)

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