

AZM launches ‘Herzl 125’ to mark Zionist anniversaries

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Austro-Hungarian journalist and founder of modern-day Zionism Theodor Herzl. Source: YouTube.

(February 12, 2021 / JNS) The American Zionist Movement (AZM) is launching a “Herzl 125” initiative this weekend to highlight important Zionist anniversaries in 2021-22.

Feb. 14 is the 125th anniversary of the 1896 publication by Austro-Hungarian journalist and father of modern-day Zionism **Theodor Herzl** of *Der Judenstaat* (*The Jewish State*). In this important manifesto, the Zionist leader outlined his vision for a modern Jewish state in the land of Israel. The book paved the way for a key year-and-a-half of work by Herzl, leading to his convening of the first Zionist Congress in Basel in August 1897.

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“Herzl’s leadership and vision, combined with his perseverance, lead to the gathering of world Jewry to form the Zionist movement that resulted in the fulfillment of his dream in 1948 when the State of Israel was established. 125 years later, as Zionism continues to connect the global Jewish community to our ancestral and modern homeland, we reaffirm our **commitment** to its principles as we move Zionism forward,” said AZM president Richard D. Heideman and executive director Herbert Block.

Together with the World Zionist Organization’s Herzl Center in Jerusalem, AZM will present a webinar titled “The Jewish State: 125 Years Later,” on Feb. 14 at 1 p.m. Eastern Standard Time/8 p.m. Israel Standard Time).

Learn more and register [here](#).