LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS and institutions are getting in ahead of CAMERA and, as early as Wednesday, November 7 from 6 a.m. to 12 noon, AACI Jerusalem and The Jerusalem Post will join forces to present analyses and panel discussions with the participation of pollster Mitchell Barak, Jerusalem Post managing editor David Brinn, deputy managing editor Tovah Lazaroff, former TIME correspondent Robert Slater, Jerusalem bureau chief of The New York Times Jodi Rudoren, columnist Amotz Asa-El and Calev Ben-David, a Bloomberg senior correspondent who was previously a senior editor with The Jerusalem Post.

On Thursday, November 8, only two days after the US election when the picture will be somewhat clearer, the Israel Council on Foreign Relations and the Center for European Studies at the Interdisciplinary Center Herzliya, both of which are headed by former ambassador Avi Primor, will host a panel discussion at IDC on “Analyzing the US elections.” Panelists include Zalman Shoval, who has twice served as Israel ambassador to the US and is currently running for Knesset with Likud; commentator on US affairs and US Israeli relations Zvi Rafiah; former Israeli consul general in New York Colette Avital; and emeritus professor of Diplomatic Studies at Tel Aviv University and senior editor of The Israel Journal of Foreign Affairs Aharon Klieman. The discussion will be moderated by Moshe Arad, who is a former ambassador to the US.

Ordinarily, the people at IDC would now be planning for the prestigious Herzliya Conference, which it hosts each year at the Dan Accadia Hotel, but due to Israel’s early general elections, the 2013 Herzliya Conference has been postponed to March 11-14, when it will have more political relevance both locally and internationally. Previous conferences in recent years have been held in late January or early February.