

Trump, Iran and the Battle Over Time

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Prof. Kobi Michael explains that Israel and the United States are pursuing parallel military and diplomatic tracks against Iran, with Trump reopening negotiations without halting ongoing strikes.

He argues that Iran's core strategy is to gain time, increase pressure via threats to energy infrastructure and the Hormuz Strait, survive Western pressure, and emerge from the war still in power with the ability to rebuild its capabilities, warning that a failed negotiation could trigger a far more intense phase of the war.

The interview took place on Channel I24 on March 25, 2026.

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