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ABOUT THE INSTITUTE

The Leonard Davis Institute for International Relations was established in 1972 at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem thanks to the generosity of the American philanthropist whose name it bears. The Institute's home is in the Alfred Davis Building on the Mount Scopus campus.

Ever since its foundation, the Leonard Davis Institute has offered an independent platform for research, education, and discussion in international studies in general and Israel's diplomacy and foreign policy in particular. The Institute has three main aims in planning its programs, which have become increasingly relevant in this age of globalization. These are:

1. Promoting research in International Relations theory with a broad multidisciplinary perspective;
2. Presenting the universal themes of international politics to the Israeli public and helping to enhance the national discourse on these matters;
3. Placing the Institute's expertise and consulting capability at the disposal of national institutions responsible for Israel's security and foreign affairs.

Since 1972 the Institute has been a center where researchers from the International Relations and Political Science departments and related departments of the Hebrew University—and other universities and academic centers—can develop and coordinate research programs. Thus, although the Institute is formally part of the social sciences faculty, its nature and statutes make it an interfaculty and interdisciplinary body.

While other Israeli institutes of international relations and strategic affairs tend to specialize in local issues relating to war and strategy, the Leonard Davis Institute also studies external affairs, diplomacy, international law and institutions, negotiation, and conflict resolution.

The Institute's audience includes the academic community, Israeli government institutions, the diplomatic corps, media, and interested members of the general public. It also welcomes visitors from abroad and offers opportunities to share ideas and expertise with Israeli colleagues.

The Institute also grants generous funds for promoting International Studies research. It awards scholarships to doctoral students from the Hebrew University and postdoctoral students from Israel and abroad; it also makes research grants to the academic staff of the Hebrew University.

Public events, including international conferences, seminars, and workshops regarding important issues on the national agenda are also organized. Additionally, the Institute publishes *Politika*, a Hebrew language politics and international studies journal and the "Working Papers" series, which is in English and Hebrew.

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ACTIVITY REPORT OF THE 2016-2017 ACADEMIC YEAR

FROM THE DIRECTOR

We have great pleasure and a sense of pride in presenting the Annual Report for the Leonard Davis Institute for International Relations for 2016-2017. The following pages provide impressive evidence of the institute's strengths, commitment, and local and international leadership in the study of contemporary international relations.

The activities this year have been quite extensive. Here are some highlights:

- In 2016-2017 the Institute inaugurated the Davis Graduate Program in International Relations. This is a structured research training program which assembles a fully-funded group of talented Israeli international relations graduates, with plans in future to offer foreign students places.
- We continue to develop the Sophie Davis Forum on Gender, Conflict Resolution and Peace through various activities: by sponsoring a workshop series on the Forum's theme; through teaching and research on the subjects of gender, mobilization and conflict, and by increasing our institutional cooperation with the Gender Studies and International Development programs.
- We initiated and sponsored activities for the 50th Anniversary of the war of 1967. This offered ample opportunities for cooperation with other university units and civil society organizations. Thus joint events were organized with the Swiss Center for Conflict Resolution, the Smart Family Institute of Communications, and Mitvim—The Israeli Institute for Regional Foreign Policies, to name but a few;
- We have continued to sponsor and develop research projects and working groups including (a) the Davis Index of International Intervention; (b) the Davis Group on Energy and Politics, and (c) a project to develop a common vision for the future of Jerusalem which recently won significant financial support from the EU.

These and other programs and activities in the report were all enabled through the efforts of the outstanding community of in-house and visiting scholars and our excellent administrative colleagues. This year, we hosted eight post-doctoral fellows: two fellows of the Sophie Davis Forum on Gender, Conflict Resolution and Peace—Drs. Tal Nitsan and Einat Gedalya-Lavy; five fellows in our regular post-doctorate track: Jamie Levine, Manar Mahmoud, Keren Sasson, Odelia Oshri, Alma Vardai, and the Israel Institute's post-doctoral fellow, Dr. Toby Greene. We also welcomed Dr. Mor Mitrani, who helped to coordinate our research seminar; Dr. Hadas Cohen, who facilitated several classes on gender across the campus, and Ms. Alexis Lerner, a graduate student from the University of Toronto, who became a vibrant member of our community. Our diverse group of fellows took the lead in organizing a series of successful events, including seminars, workshops, and conferences, which attracted a long list of local as well as international participants. In the report you can read more about their background and intellectual progress throughout the year.

Finally, I wish to express my gratitude to the Institute's academic committee—with a special thanks to our Chair Prof. Oren Barak, to Dean Tamir Sheafer, and to our IR Department Chair, Oded Lowenheim. I would also like to thank again our administrative team of Mr. Chanoch Wolpe, our Administrative Director, and Ms. Michal Barak Ben-Arush, our media and events coordinator. Their passionate involvement and entrepreneurial spirit has helped to put the LDI onto such a strong track and make it the vigorous research institute and warm home it is to us all.

Dan Miodownik

RESEARCH GRANTS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

POST-DOCTORAL RESEARCHERS

Dr. Keren Sasson

Post-doctoral research topic: "Counterterrorism and the Performance of Regional Organizations"

Dr. Keren Sasson is a postdoctoral fellow at the Davis Institute for International Relations. Her PhD examined the contribution of regional organizations to the evolution and configuration of frameworks relating to the regional security order in the developing world (especially regional organizations from the Arab Middle East and Latin America). She is currently engaged in a comparative analysis of counter-terrorism strategies (Middle East, Southeast Asia, Africa) touching on strategic culture's role in shaping the security behavior of small states (especially in the Arabian Peninsula).

Dr. Odelia Oshri

Post-doctoral research topic: "One Europe, Multiple "We": The Mechanisms Mediating between National Pride and Supranational Identity"

Dr. Odelia Oshri is a postdoctoral fellow at the Leonard Davis Institute for International Relations. Her research lies at the intersection of comparative politics and political behavior and its main focus is: European integration, voting behavior, text, and discourse analysis. Dr. Oshri's dissertation focuses on European integration and touches on different aspects of European identity. Her current research is the politics of populism in Europe.

Dr. Jamie Levin

Post-doctoral research topic: "The Changing Israeli Discourse Justifying the Use of Force"

Dr. Jamie Levin (PhD Political Science, University of Toronto, MsC, LSE) holds an Azrieli postdoctoral fellowship at the Leonard Davis Institute. Dr. Levin's research deals with aspects of the relationship between international peacemaking and the use of force in international relations.

His PhD focused on the role of weapons in resolving civil wars and his postdoctoral research is exploring the evolution of Israeli diplomacy on the use of force. His work has been published in: the Journal of Peace Conflict and Development, International Politics, International Peacekeeping, International Studies Review, The Palestine Israel Journal, Toronto Star, National Post, Ha'aretz, Jerusalem Post, and The Walrus.

Dr. Toby Greene

Research topic: "Israel's Identity from an International Perspective: Perceptions of Israel among Policy Makers in the West"

Dr. Toby Greene is an Israel Institute Postdoctoral Fellow. His research and teaching interests include Israel's international relations, the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, European Foreign Policy, Islam and the West, and Foreign Policy Analysis. He received his PhD from UCL and his book, "Blair, Labour and Palestine: Conflicting Views on Middle East Peace After 9/11" (Bloomsbury Academic, 2013) was described as "an important contribution" by the LSE Review of Books. In 2015-6 he was a Senior Goldman Fellow and adjunct lecturer at the Politics Department of Tel Aviv University. Dr. Greene has a background in policy and political communications. He is former Director of Research for BICOM (Britain Israel Communications and Research Centre) and was Head of Research for Labour Friends of Israel (UK). Toby Greene has worked on political campaigns in several European countries, provided analysis on Israel for the BBC, Sky News, and ITN, and has been published in many mainstream as well as scholarly publications. Toby holds a first class honors degree in Philosophy and Theology from Cambridge University.



Dr. Mahmoud Manar

Post-doctoral research topic: “Challenges of Reconciliatory Constitution-Making in Tunisia and Egypt: A Comparative Perspective”

Dr. Manar is a postdoctoral fellow at The Leonard Davis Institute for International Relations and The Harry S. Truman Institute for The Advancement of Peace. He holds a PhD in Political Science (Tel Aviv University, 2014) and an MA (with honors) in Political Science, majoring in Political Theory and Governance (University of Haifa, 2006).

Dr. Manar’s research focuses on political analysis of constitution-making processes and reconciliation in conflicted societies. His PhD proposes a theoretical model called the “reconciliatory constitution-making process,” which examines the constitution making process and the circumstances in which the process of establishing a constitution can also lead to reconciliation between conflicted groups. The dissertation focused on comparative historical analysis of three cases: South Africa, Canada and Belgium. Dr. Manar’s present research will develop this model by examining its application to cases like Tunisia and Egypt.

Dr. Alma Vardari

Post-doctoral research topic: “EU State-building and Local Contention: Bosnia and Kosovo from a Comparative Perspective”

Dr. Vardari is a postdoctoral fellow at the Leonard Davis Institute for International Relations. Her research concerns EU statebuilding in the Western Balkans.

Dr. Vardari received her PhD in Sociology from Tel Aviv University and has an MA in Behavioral Sciences from Ben-Gurion University majoring in Political Sociology. She is now also an adjunct lecturer at the Department of Politics and Government at Ben-Gurion University. Dr. Vardari’s most distinguished international awards and research grants include: the Robert Schuman Doctoral Research Grant (2010), the Konrad Adenauer Doctoral Fellowship (2011), the Fulbright Postdoctoral Fellowship which was spent at the Global Studies Division of Stanford University (2014-2015), and the Humboldt Fellowship (2016).

Dr. Vardari’s focus on Balkan politics and societies stems back to her 2000 work with Kosovo refugees. She has since established a professional status in Kosovo, Albania, Serbia, Macedonia, and the USA as a researcher of contention politics, international statebuilding and European post-communist societies. She teaches courses in Israel and overseas on Balkan politics, social movements, and international intervention, topics on which she has authored articles and book chapters in English and Hebrew.

Last year, besides her own research, Dr. Vardari was involved in two significant projects: as a researcher in the research project: “Building knowledge of new statehood in Southeast Europe: Understanding Kosovo’s domestic and international policy considerations”, initiated by The Kosovo Foundation for Open Society (KFOS), and as special issue editor for the international interdisciplinary journal *East European Politics and Society* on “Contention Politics and International Statebuilding in the Western Balkans”.

Post-Doctorate Fellowship: The Sophie Davis Forum on Gender, Conflict, Resolution and Peace

Dr. Tal Nitsán, “Let Us Rise Up: Women’s Struggles for Hope, Dignity, and Social Justice in a Post-Conflict Era”

Dr. Tal Nitsán is a feminist scholar engaged in critically examining socio-cultural global and local perspectives of the intersections between gender, violence, law, and society. Her interdisciplinary projects navigate between three main research sites: Israel/Palestine, Guatemala, and North America. She currently holds the Sophie Davis Postdoctoral Fellow on Gender, Conflict Resolution and Peace at the Davis Institute for International Relations. Her research on transnational women’s human rights discourse in theory and practice presents a comparative perspective on the role of dignity and diversity in promoting social justice in Guatemala and Israel. Dr. Nitsán has taught several undergraduate courses on gender and socio-legal issues in both the Anthropology and Sociology departments of the University of British Columbia (UBC). In addition, she actively applied insights gained from her fieldwork with the Guatemalan movement to end violence against women, into campus-based activism on gendered violence in universities. Dr. Nitsán completed her PhD in Anthropology at UBC where she was a Liu Institute Scholar. Her PhD was supported by multiple fellowships and research grants and a chapter in her dissertation received the Audre Rapoport Prize for Scholarship on Gender and Human Rights (The Rapoport Center for Human Rights and Justice, University of Texas School of Law). She holds an MA in Anthropology and Sociology from the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, where she was a Truman Institute fellow. Her MA degree was supported by multiple fellowships and research grants and received The Shaine Center for Research in the Social Sciences Master’s thesis award as well as The Israeli Sociological Society’s Master’s Thesis Recognition Award. Past activities include volunteering at

the Jerusalem Rape Crisis Center and serving on the UBC Advisory Committee on Sexual Assault Awareness. She currently serves on the American Anthropology Association’s Committee on Gender Equity in Anthropology (CoGEA).

Dr. Einat Gedalya-Lavy

Research topic: “A Different Voice? The Gender Gap in Values and Attitudes toward Peace and Security Issues in a Comparative Perspective”

Dr. Einat Gedalya-Lavy is a Sophie Davis Postdoctoral Fellow in Gender, Conflict Resolution and Peace at the Davis Institute for International Relations, Hebrew University. Her PhD, which was completed at the Political Science Department of Tel Aviv University examined the relationships between feminism, media framing of women and politics, and the gender gap in voting in Israel. Her present research focuses on the values and attitudes of women and men toward peace and security issues from a comparative perspective. Previous publications focus mostly on gender, media framing of women and politics, public opinion, and voting and intra-party politics. Gedalya-Lavy is recipient of several academic awards and scholarships, including: the 2017 Best Dissertation Award of the Israeli Political Science Association, the Na’amat Doctoral Research Grant, and the Tami Steinmetz Research Grant (together with Prof. Hanna Herzog) for studying women’s voices on issues of peace and security. She has been an active member of the “Gender Gap in Voting” research group at the “Shavot” Center for the Advancement of Women in the Public Sphere of the Van-Leer Institute, Jerusalem. Her research interests include: Gender and Politics; Gender, Peace and Security; Political Communication; Electoral Studies; Political Psychology, and Political Methodology.



RESEARCH GRANTS

Prof. Pazit Ben-Nun Bloom, Prof. Daphna Canetti, Ms. Shani Fachter, “Political Activists in Intractable Conflicts: Harmful or Helpful?”

Checkpoints are recognized as places where negative emotions, particularly humiliation among the involved parties, run high. While political checkpoint activists hope to monitor the behavior of Israelis and increase mutual tolerance, their presence may backfire. Contrary to the oft-heard claim, rather than pacifying the parties in conflict, the activists’ presence may actually trigger a whole range of negative emotional responses and different forms of violence. Focusing on the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, the project aims to shed light on the conditions in which political activists’ presence reduces violence at friction points and the nature of their influence. The researchers wish to contribute to the literature on conflict resolution, political activism, and intergroup relations.

This project is part of a larger project which produced two research papers using three data collection methods:

- 1) Content analysis— the researchers have run an exploratory content analysis using 37 relevant video clips featuring activists at Israeli checkpoints uploaded by political activists onto YouTube.
- 2) Lab experiment using a virtual reality platform—the experiment comprises two-by-two factorial designs and priming of two experimental interventions. The first involves the presence of activists and the second is the soldiers’/Palestinians’ viewpoint. Experiment participants are assigned to one of two video clips, illustrating the checkpoint reality from each group’s perspective (soldiers / Palestinians) as viewed through special virtual reality glasses. To understand the effect of the political activists’ presence or absence on the interactions between the groups, the participants’ response is tested for situations where activists are present / not present using audio only. The researchers have so far developed the experimental paradigm and completed data collection for a two-condition pilot (N=90).

- 3) Computerized experiment—the project was supported until now by a Davis Institute grant. In April, the researchers submitted a grant research proposal to the Israeli Institute. In future, they aim to present the project at the annual conference of the International Society of Political Psychology (ISPP) and will continue to work on other studies in the project as part of Shani Fachter’s dissertation.

Dr. Shaul Shenhav, Prof. Tamir Shefer, Mr. Yair Foegel-Dror

“Monitoring Political Dialogue in the International Arena”

This project aims to deliver real time insights and analysis of the main trends in international media coverage of the Israel-Palestine conflict, with specific focus on international intervention in the conflict. Data is collected using a monitoring system that tracks media coverage from news website all over the world. The data will eventually be made available to decision makers, researchers, students, and the general public through an open-access website.

Last year we developed computational methods for analyzing the news data using Davis Institute specifications. Measures were devised for more than ten categories of media coverage, such as coverage of violent conflict and the peace process, and coverage of different types of interventions, namely, intervention by international institutions, iNGOs, and so forth. We presented these measures at international conferences on Political Science and Communications. We have also developed an infrastructure for collecting data on a massive scale from many sources covering the period 2014 to the present. Finally, we have begun working on the open-access website which will make the knowledge created by our system available to wider audiences.

Dr. Lior Herman, Geopolitics and Energy Research Group

The mission of the Geopolitics and Energy Research Group (GERG) is to promote and advance research on the interrelations between energy and geopolitics using a multidisciplinary perspective. GERG brings together scholars at different stages of their academic career who come from different disciplines, ranging from international relations and geography to communication studies and conflict resolution research. The Group serves as a platform for discussion, research, and study and a conduit for research grant applications. As a forum, the Group facilitates professional networking among Israeli and international scholars and professionals in this field.

Public activities

The Group organized nine major public seminars in the 2016-17 academic year. The meetings were well attended (with 20-50 participants per meeting) by researchers, students, and practitioners. GERG's seminar series began with a talk by Itay Fischhendler (Hebrew University) who spoke on "The Geopolitics of Electricity Grids Interconnections" (November 20, 2016). On December 14, 2016 GERG hosted a seminar with Prof. Tanya Heikkila (University of Colorado Denver) on the topic, "Juxtaposing Advocacy Coalitions: A Comparison of Hydraulic Fracturing Policy Subsystems in the United States, Argentina, and China". On December 29, 2016, Nurit Felter-Eitan (Head of Strategy and Policy Division, Israel Electricity Authority) discussed the "Challenges of Regulation in the Formation of an Electricity Market in Israel". On January 19, 2017, Ziv Rubinovitz (Ben Gurion University) and Elai Rettig (Haifa University) presented their paper on "Crude Peace: The Role of the Oil Trade in the Israeli-Egyptian Peace Negotiations". On March 15, 2017 Tomer Moraz (Advocate, activist and former lieutenant colonel in the IDF) spoke on the "Role of Environmental Activists and Natural Gas Infrastructures". On May 3, 2017 Erika Weinthal (Duke University) presented "Scaling up Site Disputes: Strategies to Redefine 'Local' in the Fight against Fracking". On May 5,

2017 Lior Herman (Hebrew University) discussed "Israel-Palestinian Energy Relations". On May 25, 2017 Nurit Gal (Deputy Director General for Regulation, Israel Electricity Authority) discussed "Energy Trade in Israel and Beyond". On June 15, 2017, Tamara Lotner-Lev (Mimshak Fellow at the Ministry of Energy) gave a seminar titled: "From the Sheshinsky Committee to the Gas Plan, the Supreme Court Ruling, and the Question of Maritime Liability". The series ended with a talk by Professor Andreas Goldthau (Royal Holloway University of London and the Geopolitics of Energy Project at Harvard University) on "The World Energy System and the Birth of the Eastern Mediterranean as a Geo-Political Region".

The Group also hosted seminars on Israeli energy policy and Israel's energy relations with the Palestinians with the participation of students and faculty members from Michigan State University and Tulane University, New Orleans.

Other events organized by the Group:

- December 15, 2016 — workshop with Tanya Heikkila (University of Colorado Denver) on the politics of fracking. Tanya also convened a workshop on environmental politics with Itay Fischhendler as part of the Annual International Rabin Graduate Conference, organized in collaboration with the Leonard Davis Institute for International Relations.
- June 11-16, 2017 — intensive course on "Technology, the Environment, and Ethics" with Armin Grunwald (Head of the Institute of Technology Assessment and System Analysis at the Karlsruhe Institute of Technology and Head of the Office of Technology Assessment at the German Bundestag).



Research activities

1. Publications – Two papers were published this year relating to GERG’s research activity:

- Fischhendler, I., L. Herman and J. Anderman (2016). “The Geopolitics of Cross-border Electricity Grids: The Israeli-Arab Case.” *Energy Policy* 98: 533-543.
- Fischhendler, I., L. Herman and N. Maoz (2017). “The Political Economy of Energy Sanctions: Insights from a Global Outlook 1938–2017.” *Energy Research & Social Science* 34: 62-71.

2. Several other research projects produced research papers, which are under review or in the final editing stage. These papers addressed various topics including: the role of perception in Israeli-Palestinian negotiations of the Gaza Marine natural gas field; energy foreign policy tools in Israeli-Palestinian relations; the emergence of energy regionalism in international trade agreements.

3. International collaboration and research workshop:

- A research workshop titled “An Interdisciplinary Landscape” was organized in Jerusalem on November 16, 2016 with the participation of two researchers (Jonas Nielsen and Dimitris Zikos) and six research students from Humboldt University.
- Six GERG HUJI researchers from the departments of international relations, geography, communication studies, and social work participated and collaborated with researchers from Humboldt University’s IRI THESys project. The collaboration led to a joint research workshop in Berlin on April 5-6, 2017 on the theme of “Contested Infrastructure”.
- GERG organized two research panels (10 papers) on “The Geopolitics of Electricity” at the International Studies Association Annual Conference, February 22-25, 2017 held in Baltimore.

- A joint research seminar with Humboldt University will be conducted later this year on the theme of “Insular and Divided Energy Cities: Between Autarky and (Re) Integration”.

4. Grants:

- GERG was a catalyst for the development and submission of a proposal for the establishment of a new Minerva Centre dedicated to the study of Energy, Sustainability, and Decision Making (ESDM) at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem. The proposal was shortlisted and ultimately not selected.
- Grant applications were also made, and are pending approval, to the Ministry of Science, Ministry of Energy, and Einstein Circles.

5. **Data development** – GERG members have developed a unique international database on the subject of energy regionalism in multilateral and regional trade agreements.

Network activities

GERG has established a growing international network of some 50 members in Israel, Europe, and beyond as a result of its public and research activities. Network members include academics, professionals, civil servants, as well as representatives of civil society and other interested members.

Research group: Prof. Mimi Adjenstadt, Dr. Michal Almog-Bar, Prof. John Gal, Ms. Inbar Livnat, “Gender, civil society, and welfare in comparative perspective”

Women across the world have been significant actors in civil societies. Having frequently been excluded from state institutions and male-dominated politics, women found it easier to become active at the local level through civic activities such as community organizations, self-help groups, faith-based organizations, mothers groups, or through campaigning (Ishkanian & Lewis, 2007; Howell, 2007).

Although women have played a central and important role in civil society, gender aspects of civil society have seldom been studied and we lack knowledge about the changing activities and involvement of women in civil societies in Israel and abroad. Our research examines the various forms of participation and organization of women in civil society in Israel using a comparative perspective. The study focuses on women’s roles as social entrepreneurs, volunteers, activists, managers, employees, and clients in civil society within a context of the political and social characteristics of societies living under conflict.

So far we have conducted a comprehensive literature review of the roles of women in civil society in welfare states. We also held 45 interviews with two groups of women active in civil society organizations: women managers of civil society organizations in Israel, and women employed in middle-management positions in civil society organizations in Israel. A grant from the Israel Science Foundation to study organizations providing social services in civil society in Israel also supported this study.

Based on the research group’s work, on February 2017 we submitted a research proposal to the Israeli Science Ministry entitled “Policy Development for the Promotion of Gender Equality in Israel: Policies for Promoting Effective Integration of Women in Nonprofit and Civil Society Social Service Organizations in Israel”. The proposal is currently under review.

Doctoral student Lihl Rothschild—Research Supervisor Dr. Yael Berda

Research topic: “Breached Borders — The Social Implications of Frisking and Strip Searches from a Global Political Perspective”

Research Progress Report

Doctoral student Lihl Rothschild has consolidated her research focus and will focus solely on airport frisking and body searches and not on frisking in other contexts. This targeted research will examine a previously unexplored subject. She has begun gathering stories from personal reading and classes and is mapping the theoretical framework of her proposal, on mobilities, citizenship and globalisation, surveillance, and sociology of the body. This involves preliminary reading on those topics and on airports and frisking in particular. This year Ms. Rothschild took an advanced course in qualitative research at the Centre for Qualitative Research in Ben Gurion University to supplement her expertise for the research project. Using this, she has built her own research guide and conducted her two first interviews with passengers who underwent airport frisking. Ms Rothschild plans to use John Hidet’s Moral Foundations Theory in her research and will administer Hidet’s structured questionnaires in order to identify key factors in respondents’ moral inclinations. To increase her understanding of the situation in Europe and prepare for the research component that will take place in Britain, Ms Rothschild participated in the Europe Forum Fellowship program. BREXIT was among the themes in the forum and is very relevant to the planned research as Britain’s disengagement from the EU will likely cause a shift in security practices. Ms Rothschild also participated in the Tamir Sternberg multi-culturalism workshop to study intersectionality, which is relevant to her discussion of race, class, and gender.



RESEARCH FELLOWS

- **Prof. Joel Peters**, Virginia Tech, USA
- **Dr. Dan Naor**, Bar-Ilan University, Israel
- **Dr. Mor Mitrani**, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Israel
- **Ms. Alexis M. Lerner**, PhD student, University of Toronto, Canada

SCHOLARSHIPS FOR DOCTORAL STUDENTS

The Leonard Davis Institute sponsors and finances the Department of International Relations' efforts to provide scholarships for doctoral students in the Faculty of Social Sciences. This expresses the Institute's close cooperation with the Department of International Relations.

The following doctoral students were awarded scholarships in 2017:

- **Ravit Mizrahi**, "On Glocalization in the Israeli Education System: An Agency Perspective"
- **Yvgeny Yanovsky**, "Precision and War"
- **Jonathan Grossman**, "Israel, Brazil, and the Jewish Diaspora: 1964-1975"

DAVIS GRADUATE SCHOOL (TELEM IR):

- **Shani Bartuvia**
Legitimacy, Identity, and Policy Diffusion: The Diffusion of Restrictive Refugee Policies among Western States
- **Hila Levi**
The Role of Organizational Culture in Protecting Human Rights during the Eurozone Crisis (2009–12)
- **Jony Essa**
Politics and Security in Divided Societies: Exploring Continuity and Change in the Ownership of the Security Sector in Syria and Jordan
- **Neta Kremer**
Cyber: The Life Cycle of a Political Concept
- **Aviad Levy**
Schadenfreude in World Politics: Emotional Spirals and Signifiers in International Inter-Group Relations

MA STUDENTS OF THE DAVIS GRADUATE SCHOOL (TELEM IR):

- **Naama Peled**
- **Daphne Inbar**
- **Neal Tsur**
- **Lotem Bassan**
- **Enav Birenbaum**
- **Chagai Weiss**
- **Morr Link**
- **Aluma Levi**
- **Dan Eran**
- **Din Raz (Perelsztejn)**

PUBLICATIONS

***POLITIKA* (IN HEBREW)**

Politika is a digital peer-reviewed journal of Israeli Political Science, Public Policy, and International Relations which addresses timely issues in Israel and around the world.

ISSUE 26 (SPRING-SUMMER 2017)

The 26th issue of *Politika* published in June 2017 reveals efforts by Israeli academics studying politics and policy-making to investigate and publish novel research on a wide variety of contemporary issues regarding Israel and the rest of the world. Issue 26 is not a single topic issue but signifies *Politika's* nod to theoretical and methodological plurality in academic research. The issue consists of four original analytical papers and the translation from English of a seminal political science article. The four original papers examine such topics as the voluntary regulation regime in the US and Israel; election inversions under proportional representation; colorism in Israel; and the role of hope in decision-making.

Politika's editorial staff is busy on Issue 27 which will be published in the winter of 2017. The new issue contains a symposium on the protection of citizens in intrastate conflicts; two or three analytical papers now being reviewed by external peers, and a translated seminal article on the Democratic Peace Theory, previously published in the field of International Relations. The journal is also working on a special issue: "Gender and Conflict Resolution". This issue was suggested by Dr. Tal Nitzan who coordinates the submitted working papers and will be published in summer 2018.





PEER REVIEWED ARTICLES, BOOKS, & WORKING PAPERS

ARTICLES

Yael Shomer, Gert-Jan Put and Einat Gedalya-Lavy, "Does intraparty democracy affect levels of trust in parties? The cases of Belgium and Israel", *Acta Politica* (in press)

Toby Greene, 10/7/16, www.newsweek.com (*Newsweek Europe*)

"Why now is the time for Israel to transform ties with the Arab world"

Kenneth W. Abbott, David Levi-Faur, Duncan Snidal, "Theorizing regulatory intermediaries—The RIT Model", first published March 13, 2017, Research Article. *The Annals of the American Academy of Political and Social Science*, Volume: 670 issue: 1, page(s): 14-35

Odelia Oshri and Shaul R. Shenhav, "Between continuity and change: The EU's mechanism of differentiated value integration", *European Journal of Political Research* 2017

BOOKS

Dr. Deganit Paikowsky, "The Power of the Space Club",

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CHAPTERS IN COLLECTIVE VOLUMES

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ACTIVITIES OF THE INSTITUTE

CONFERENCES, WORKSHOPS, AND SEMINARS

JOINT WORKSHOP

The Middle East after the “Arab Spring”: Issues, Problems, and Prospects

29/11/2016–31/11/16

Hebrew University

This joint workshop was organized by The Leonard Davis Institute and Kadir Has University, Istanbul, Turkey .

FILM FESTIVAL

The Fifth Anthropological Film Festival

28/11/2016–30/11/2016

Jerusalem Cinematheque

The Jerusalem Cinematheque and the Hebrew University Department of Sociology and Anthropology wish to promote documentary films with an ethnographic orientation. The documentaries use cinematic tools to describe the complexities of individuals and communities throughout the world, the relationship between humanity and the inhumane, and the social, political and economic expressions of these realities.

ORAL NARRATIVES AND THE POLITICS OF HISTORY MAKING

06/12/2016–08/12/2016

Beit Maierdsdorf, Mount Scopus/The National Library

The Second International Oral History Conference
The Oral History Division

The Avraham Harman Institute of Contemporary Jewry

The conference was organized in cooperation with The Leonard Davis Institute for International Relations, The National Library of Israel, the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, the Conference Committee, and The Authority for Research and Development, Hebrew University.

THE 12TH ANNUAL GRADUATE CONFERENCE IN POLITICAL SCIENCE, INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS, AND PUBLIC POLICY, IN MEMORY OF THE LATE YITZHAK RABIN

13/12/2016–16/12/2016

The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Sponsors of the 12th Annual Graduate Conference:

- The Leonard Davis Institute for International Relations, The Hebrew University
- The Levi Eshkol Institute for Social, Economic and Political Research in Israel, The Hebrew University
- The European Forum, The Hebrew University
- The Federmann School of Public Policy & Government, The Hebrew University
- The Department of Political Science, The Hebrew University
- The Department of International Relations, The Hebrew University
- The Israeli Political Science Association (ISPSA)

1ST LEARNING COMMUNITY MEETING: HOPE, GENDER, AND CONFLICT RESOLUTION

19/12/2016, 14:00 to 15:30

This was the first meeting of The Sophie Davis Learning Community. The meetings seek to create a scholarly community that will develop various creative and innovative collaborations around these themes. The following meeting focused on the concepts of: Respect (January), Translation (March), Recall (April), Belonging (May).

THE DAVIS INSTITUTE ENERGY AND GEOPOLITICS RESEARCH GROUP

29/12/2016, 14:30 to 16:00

Social Sciences Faculty

Lecture by Nurit Felter-Eitan, Head of Division for Strategy and Policy, Israel Electricity Authority, “Regulatory challenges: Creating an energy market—not for the weak hearted”.

CAUSAL INFERENCE: ESTIMATION STRATEGIES, WORKSHOP WITH PROF. GUY GROSSMAN

01/1/2017, 09:00 to 12:30

Prof. Guy Grossman, UPenn, gave a workshop on causal inference and estimation strategies, a topic central to empirical research in political science in recent years.

2ND LEARNING COMMUNITY MEETING: KAVOD, GENDER, AND CONFLICT RESOLUTION

Mon, 16/1/2017, 12:00 to 14:00



Opening: Prof. Dan Miodownik, Academic Director, the Leonard Davis Institute for International Relations, Hebrew University of Jerusalem.

Kavod, Gender, and Conflict Resolution, is the second meeting of The Sophie Davis Learning Community. The meetings aim to create a scholarly community that will develop various creative and innovative collaborations around these themes.

Speakers:

Dr. Orit Kamir, The Israeli Center for Human Dignity
Adv. Shiri Lev-Ran Lavy, Equal Employment Opportunity Commission

Dr. Hadas Cohen, Lafer Center and Davis Institute, Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Chair: Dr. Tal Nitsán, The Sophie Davis Forum on Gender, Conflict Resolution and Peace, Hebrew University of Jerusalem

THE DAVIS INSTITUTE ENERGY AND GEOPOLITICS RESEARCH GROUP

19/01/2017, 14:30 to 16:30

IR Department Seminar Room

A lecture by Ziv Rubinovitz, Ben Gurion University and Begin Heritage Centre

Elai Rettig, Haifa University

On: “Crude Peace: The Role of Oil Trade in the Israeli-Egyptian Peace Negotiations”

WRITING WORKSHOP: WRITING KAVOD

14/2/2017, 10:00 to 14:00

The Faculty of Social Science, Hebrew University of Jerusalem

The Writing Kavod workshop focuses on texts written for and following the second meeting of the Sophie Davis Learning Community on Kavod, Gender, and Conflict Resolution. The texts reflect how aspects of dignity, honor, respect and glory meet and intersect in the authors’ research, activism, and lived experiences.

PUBLIC TIME AND MEDIA TEMPORALITIES IN AN AGE OF ACCELERATION

14/03/2017–16/03/2017

Truman Institute, Abba Eban Hall Hebrew U., Mt. Scopus

A Research Workshop of the Israel Science Foundation, co-sponsored by The Leonard Davis Institute for International Relations, Netanya Academic College, and The Harry S. Truman Research Institute.

Organizers: Keren Tenenboim-Weinblatt (Hebrew U) & Motti Neiger (Netanya Academic College)



3RD LEARNING COMMUNITY MEETING: TRANSLATION, GENDER, AND CONFLICT RESOLUTION

15/03/2017, 11:00 to 14:00

The meeting on Translation, Gender, and Conflict Resolution was the third meeting of The Sophie Davis Learning Community. The meetings aim to create a scholarly community that will develop various creative and innovative collaborations around these themes. Conceptual Opening and Chairing: Dr. Tal Nitsán, The Sophie Davis Forum on Gender, Conflict Resolution and Peace, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem.

Speakers:

Adv. Anat Tahon, Itach-Maaki: Women Lawyers for Social Justice

Dr. Limor Meoded Danon, The Martin Buber Society of Fellows, The Hebrew University

Ms. Maytal Strul, Adva Center for Information on Equality and Social Justice in Israel

Adv. Rawia Aburabia, Faculty of Law, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem.

WRITING WORKSHOP: WRITING TRANSLATION

28/03/2017, 10:00 to 12:30

Mt. Scopus Campus

The Writing Translation, workshop focuses on texts written for and following the third meeting of the Sophie Davis Learning Community on Translation, Gender, and Conflict Resolution. The texts focus on the translation processes we are involved in, focusing on how traditions, languages, and individuals' social locations impact (and are impacted by) translation processes, as well as the translation practices themselves.

JOINT ISRAELI-PALESTINIAN CINEMA ON SPORTS

28/03/2017–12:30 to 15:45

Media Department, Main Library, Mount Scopus

A cinematic event marking the 50th anniversary of the 1967 war.

Sponsored by The Leonard Davis Institute for International Relations and The Smart Family Institute of Communications.

THE ARAB PEACE INITIATIVE AT 15 YEARS

21/03/2017, 09:15 to 18:30

Senate Hall, Mt. Scopus Campus

An international conference of The Leonard Davis-Institute and Mitvim—The Israeli Institute for Regional Foreign Policies to discuss the dynamics, challenges, and opportunities of the Arab peace initiative which was first introduced in 2002 and has yet to receive an official Israeli response.

Speakers included scholars, practitioners, politicians, and diplomats.

THE ANNUAL MODEL UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE

06/04/2017

Rothberg International School

The Hebrew University Model United Nations in Cooperation with the Leonard Davis Institute for International Relations was proud to host the annual Model United Nations Conference at the Mount Scopus campus. Altogether 170 students representing all major academic institutions in Israel were divided into six UN committees to debate and discuss pressing international-political issues using skills gained throughout the year in order to reach resolutions or consensus on issues relating to world improvement and prosperity.



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4TH LEARNING COMMUNITY MEETING: RECALL, GENDER, AND CONFLICT RESOLUTION

19/04/2017, 12:00 to 16:00

Beit Maersdorf, Mt. Scopus Campus

This meeting focused on three main aspects of recalling the lived experience and house demolitions at Umm al-Hiran. First, on the interpretation level, looking for critical, alternative, decolonizing perspectives of past and current events. Second on the level of recall, as a call for action, directed at those who witnessed the events and/or the testimonies delivered by Umm al-Hiran's residents. Finally, recall as a protest, a clear statement grieving the harm done and the grounded situation, as well as critiquing the policies and practices leading to it.

Speakers:

Prof. (Emerita) Naomi Chazan, Departments of Political Science and African Studies, The Hebrew University and Van Leer Institute in Jerusalem.

Dr. Inbal Wilamovski, Lafer Center and the Criminology Institute, The Hebrew University

Dr. Tal Nitsán, The Sophie Davis Forum on Gender, Conflict Resolution and Peace

Dr. Amal Abu Saad, Program Head, Teacher Education for Kindergarten Teachers in the Bedouin Sector, Kaye Academic College, and Umm al-Hiran evacuee

Ms. Mariam Abu El-Kian, Department of Public Policy and Administration, Ben Gurion University, and Head of Umm al-Hiran Women's Council

Adv. Netta Amar-Shiff, Department of Geography, Ben Gurion University

Ms. Nili Baruch, Department of Geography, The Hebrew University, and Bimkom: Planners for Planning Rights

Dr. Yeela Raanan, Department of Public Administration and Policy, Sapir Academic College, and Spokesperson, The Regional Council of Unrecognized Villages.

PASTOR PROFESSOR BYRON BLAND STANFORD UNIVERSITY AND REVEREND ERNIE JACKSON

8/5/2017

A lecture as part of the Program of The Swiss Center for Conflict Management,

"On Conflict, Justice, Empathy, and Reconciliation: "What Can You Do When You Can't Do Anything?: Justice and Reconciliation in Intractable, Protracted Conflicts".

5TH LEARNING COMMUNITY MEETING: BELONGING, GENDER, AND CONFLICT RESOLUTION

8/5/2017, 12:30 to 16:00

Beit Maersdorf, Hebrew University of Jerusalem



Introduction: Prof. Dan Miodownik, Academic Director, The Leonard Davis Institute for International Relations, Hebrew University of Jerusalem.

Speakers:

Prof. Nadera Shalhoub-Kevorkian, the Faculty of Law (Institute of Criminology) and the School of Social Work and Public Welfare, the Hebrew University of Jerusalem.

Dr. Sarai Aharoni, Gender Studies, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev

Ms. Siri Levinas with Ms. Yahaloma Zchut, Women Wage Peace.

Prof. Yifat Bitton, Faculty of Law, College of Management and the Hebrew University

Chair: Dr. Tal Nitsán, The Sophie Davis Forum on Gender, Conflict Resolution and Peace, Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Belonging, Gender, and Conflict Resolution, is the fifth meeting of The Sophie Davis Learning Community. The meetings aim to create a scholarly community that will develop various creative and innovative collaborations around these themes.



7TH INTERNATIONAL PHD WORKSHOP: COMPARATIVE REGIONALISM: THEORETICAL AND METHODOLOGICAL ADVANCEMENTS

16/5/2017–18/5/2017

Beit-Maiersdorf Faculty Club

The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, The Leonard Davis Institute for International Relations, The Department of International Relations

In cooperation with:

The Berlin Graduate School for Transnational Studies (BTS) (a joint venture of the Freie Universität Berlin (FU), the Hertie School of Governance, and the WZB Berlin Social Sciences Center); the University of Freiburg, and the University of Goettingen.

THE DAVIS INSTITUTE ENERGY AND GEOPOLITICS RESEARCH GROUP

25/5/2017, 14:30 to 16:00

IR Dept. Seminar Room

A lecture by Nurit Gal, Deputy Director General of Electricity and Regulation at the Electricity Authority. Subject: "Trade in Electricity in Israel".

THE 11TH CONFERENCE OF THE ISRAELI ASSOCIATION FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDIES (IAIS)

8/6/2017, 09:00 to 19:00

Beit Maiersdorf



To mark the Jubilee of the Six Day War (1967 - 2017) On June 8, 2007, the Israeli Association for International Studies (IAIS) held its 11th Annual Meeting. This was organized by the newly elected officials of IAIS, Prof. Arie M. Kacowicz (President) and Daniel F. Wajner (General Secretary) in

cooperation with the Leonard Davis Institute and the Department of International Relations of the Hebrew University. About 100 International Relations (IR) scholars and researchers, including many PhD and MA students enjoyed a full day of about 20 paper panels and roundtables.

Besides the professional importance of an assembly of the IR academic community of Israel, the organizers were particularly pleased with the impressive student turnout of about 70 undergraduates in the audience. In a plenary session of IAIS members, prizes were awarded in honor of Dr. Gil Friedman and Prof. Yaacov Bar-Siman-Tov. The last panel on the main conference topic, "50 Years since the War of 1967" included a lively roundtable discussion on the future of Israel, the Middle East, and the world in general with participation from Profs. Uri Bialer, Galia Golan, Naomi Chazan, Avraham Sela, Benny Miller, Eran Lerman, and Arie Kacowicz. The full program of the Annual Meeting is available at <http://ir.huji.ac.il/book/עילב>

MITVIM INSTITUTE AND LEONARD DAVIS INSTITUTE WORKSHOP SUBJECT: THE EFFECTS OF THE ISRAELI-PALESTINIAN CONFLICT ON ISRAEL'S RELATIONS IN THE MIDDLE EAST

13/6/2017

Beit Maiersdorf, Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Participants examined the effect of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict on Israeli foreign relations and interests based on research by the Mitvim Institute. Topics included: proposed guiding principles for a new Israeli foreign policy; Ms. Yael Patir's paper on a pro-peace Israeli foreign policy, a recent public opinion poll on Israel's relations with the Middle East, Europe and US with respect to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. This joint event included an expert workshop and public panel with Ms. Talia Sasson, President of the New Israel Fund; Ms. Ghaida Rinawie-Zoabi, Director of Injaz—The Center for Professional Arab Local Governance; Mr. Nitzan Horowitz, Former MK and Policy Fellow at Mitvim, and Prof. Elie Podeh, Mitvim Board Member and professor in the Hebrew University. The panel was moderated by Yigal Palmor of the Jewish Agency, former spokesperson of the Israeli Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

THE DAVIS INSTITUTE ENERGY AND GEOPOLITICS RESEARCH GROUP

21/6/2017, 12:30 to 14:00

Social Sciences Faculty

Andreas Goldthau, University of London Royal Holloway, gave a lecture titled:

“The World Energy System and the Birth of the Eastern Mediterranean as a Geo-Political Region”.

INTERNATIONAL WORKSHOP ON “POLITICAL RESPONSIBILITY”

26/6/2017–27/6/2017

Mandel Building, Mount Scopus campus

In June 26-27, 2017, the international workshop “Political Responsibility in a Globalized Yet Fragmented World,” was held at the Leonard Davis Institute for International Relations. The workshop was organized by Professor Piki Ish-Shalom (Hebrew University), Professor Richard Beardsworth (Aberystwyth University), and Dr. Ilan Zvi Baron (Durham University). This was one event in a series of workshops held at Durham University, the ISA Annual Convention, and hopefully more venues in future. The workshop discussed political responsibility from the normative, conceptual, theoretical, and empirical perspectives and its relevance to the contemporary political issues we are facing in international politics. The organizers plan to produce a publication as part of a long-term project.

Workshop participants included Kirsten Ainley (LSE), Toni Erskine (the University of New South Wales), Ariel Colonomos (Sciences Po), Jade Schiff (Oberlin College), Oded Lowenheim (the Hebrew University of Jerusalem), Mor Mitrani (the Hebrew University of Jerusalem), Roei Kibrik (Mitvim—The Israeli Institute for Regional Foreign Policies and the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, and Neta Kremer (Hebrew University).

PANEL AT THE VAN LEER INSTITUTE, JERUSALEM—IMPLODING SOCIETIES ACROSS THE TWENTIETH CENTURY

10/7/2017, 17:30 to 19:30

The Van Leer Jerusalem Institute

The panel discussed how different people in different multi-ethnic and multi-religious societies at different times of crisis came to see the world and think about themselves, their neighbors, and strangers through national lenses.

Organized by the Leonard Davis Institute, the Van Leer Jerusalem Institute, Tel Aviv University and Harman Institute of Contemporary Jewry.

VIDEO DISPLAY: 4* SALLY

Tue, 11/07/2017, 19:00 to 20:30

Van Leer Jerusalem Institute

Video art in the framework of the International Workshop:

Nationalism in the History of Holocaust, Genocide, and Mass Violence.

Organized by the Leonard Davis Institute, the Van Leer Jerusalem Institute, Tel Aviv University, and the Harman Institute of Contemporary Jewry.

LAWMAKER SANDS THEATER

Wed, July 12/7/2017 18:00

A mixed group of asylum seekers and Israelis joined together to present the reality of refugee life in Israel, the problems related to the establishment’s handling of the refugee problem, and the attitude of Israeli governments to the Refugee Convention and international law.

Organized by the Leonard Davis Institute, the Van Leer Jerusalem Institute, Tel Aviv University and Harman Institute of Contemporary Jewry.



EUROMESCO

During the past year three important events have strengthened the old ties between the Leonard Davis Institute and EUROMESCO—a network of strategic studies institutes of Euro-Med countries established as part of the so-called Barcelona Process of 1995, which launched a Euro-Mediterranean Partnership. The LDI was a founding member of this network.

1. Elections to EUROMESCO's Steering Committee which has always included a representative from an Israeli institution. The LDI applied for the position and was elected by EUROMESCO members for a 4 year term.
2. November 2016, Brussels—first Steering Committee Meeting regarding EUROMESCO's new direction. This was attended by Professor Alfred Tovias, the LDI's EUROMESCO Liaison Officer. Professor Tovias also he attended a Working Group meeting in which three new Working Packages were presented by the leader of each new Package, including Mitvim, a EUROMESCO member. Professor Tovias also represented the LDI and other Israeli institutions at the second Board Meeting of EUROMESCO in Barcelona in May 2017.
3. June 2017— EUROMESCO Annual Conference and General Assembly, Barcelona. It was announced that the revamped website would be on line by the year end and would include details of the LDI, its activities, and recent publications. The Conference dealt with the topical subject: "Confronting Violent Extremism in the Euro-Mediterranean".

In May 2017, LDI members interested in EuroMed topics were invited to complete an on-line survey on violent extremism in order to make Israeli opinions available to other network members. In line with EUROMESCO's policy on publication review, Professor Tovias was asked to review the policy brief of a Working Package led by an Hungarian Institute of the Network on the refugee crisis in Central and Easter Europe. He will also serve as the policy brief reviewer for the new EuroMesco Working Package led by Mitvim on the subject of "New Euro-Mediterranean Dynamics in the Eastern Mediterranean".

BUILDING A COMMON VISION: BOTTOM UP ENGAGEMENT ON THE FUTURE OF JERUSALEM

"Building a Common Vision: Bottom Up Engagement on the Future of Jerusalem" is a three year Leonard Davis Institute and Israel-Palestine: Creative Regional Initiatives (IPCRI) collaboration. The project will engage residents of East and West Jerusalem, urban planners, students, women, youth, and local leaders to work together in shaping the current and future reality of their neighborhoods and the city as a whole.

Urban planning and formal negotiations on Jerusalem have routinely ignored the voices of this city's diverse communities. The Common Vision project aims to dignify diverse local voices, enhance knowledge of the urban complexity of Jerusalem, and contribute towards a constructive public and civil society engagement on the future of the city. The project will include a survey of Jerusalem, mapping of local needs, and efforts to increase the efficacy of local residents of Jerusalem in shaping the city reality.

As a preliminary step, the project will train local mediators to engage and work with residents in ten different neighbourhoods and develop equitable solutions for urban problems. As a multi-stage project, it will start at the neighborhood level and use participatory techniques to empower local communities while introducing small interventions aimed at improving residents' reality. The project will promote creative initiatives that address general urban problems and share information to increase knowledge and strengthen grassroots engagement on Jerusalem, as the future capital of two states.

The project aims are: first, to increase grassroots participation in identifying local needs and their effective solutions; second, to develop mechanisms that facilitate effective participation by civil society and Jerusalem's local residents in negotiating and planning the city's future; third, to promote coexistence and conditions for a negotiated solution to the city.

We believe that focusing on current inequalities and creating partnerships at the neighbourhoods level and along divisive seam lines can be a key to empowering marginalized communities and meeting their needs. In the later stage of the project, we believe that the process will mature into general cooperation on shared interests and themes and that thematic residential groups will produce policy papers and advise (role of the academics) on urban interventions, thereby facilitating grassroots input to short and long term solutions for the city.

The project is funded by the European Union.

GUEST LECTURERS

DAVIS FORUM FOR CONFLICT AND PEACE RESEARCH:

- **Prof. Andrea Ruggeri**, Oxford
21/12/2016
The Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Title: “*UN Peacekeeping Leadership and Civilians Protection*”
- **Prof. Evgeny Finkel**, Department of Political Science, George Washington University
04/1/2017, 12:00 to 14:00
The Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Title: “Political Violence”
- **Prof. Jean-Pierre Filiu**, Sciences Po—Paris School of International Affairs
Paris, France
01/3/2017
The Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Title: “*Arab Counter-Revolution and Jihadi Expansion*”
- **Prof. Belgin San Akca**, Department of International Relations, Koc University, Istanbul
10/5/2017
Title: “*Cooperation between States and Rebel Groups: Leaders, Survival and Identity*”.
Joint event produced by the Davis Peace and Conflict Forum and the IR Departmental Seminar.
- **Prof. Christopher Wlezien**,
Department of Government, The University of Texas at Austin
11/1/2017
Lecture at the Political Science Department Seminar
- **Prof. Janice Stein**, The Munk School of Global Affairs, University of Toronto
19-22.3.17
For the M.A course on: “*Decision Making and Strategy*”
- **Prof. James Anaya**, University of Colorado Law School
28/3/2017
Beit Maierisdorf
Dean, University of Colorado Law School;
Former UN Special Rapporteur on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples
Title: “*The Power of Ideas: The UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples.*”
- **Prof. Zeev Maoz**, Department of Political Science, University of California, Davis
15/5/2017
Title: “*Shocks and International Networks: Tie-Capacity Shocks and the Resilience of International Trade and Alliance Networks.*”
Event organized by the Davis Research Forum.
- **Prof. Ian Lustick**, Department of Political Science, University of Pennsylvania
16/5/2017
Title: “*Annexation as a Progressive Problem Shift*”.
Event organized by the Davis Peace and Conflict Forum.
- **Prof. Barak Mendelson**, Department of Political Science, Haverford College, PA
23/5/2017
Title: “*The Foreigner Dilemma: Explaining Variation in Foreign Fighters Recruitment in Syria and Iraq*”.
Event jointly organized by the Davis Peace and Conflict Forum and the IR Departmental Seminar.



DAVIS GRADUATE SCHOOL OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS (DGSIR)

The 2016/17 academic year was an important turning point for the Davis Graduate School of International Relations (DGSIR). With its detailed new roadmap and the program's revised structure, DGSIR welcomed seven new students. These students joined the current eight students who are at different stages of their academic training. The program thus doubled in size. The academic year was launched with an orientation day for our new students and a separate event for all the program students. Students were also taken for an instructive trip along the Green Line in the semester break.

As always, much of the students' energy this year was dedicated to coursework and research. On the MA level, for the very first time the new DGSIR program included several key courses in English. Our advanced students continue to make very good progress with their theses and dissertations. This year, the Institute gladly assisted several students with travel expenses to attend overseas workshops and conferences. It also sponsored several short substantive and short methodological courses by visiting overseas scholars.

DGSIR students also participated in extracurricular activities, including providing a strong presence at the Annual Graduate Conference on Political Science, International Relations, and Public Policy and the Annual Meeting of the Israeli Association for International Relations. Several DGSIR students also thought up and organized a methodological "bazaar" for the research student body, which was a great success.



This year we continue to develop the DGSIR and strengthen its foundations. In fall of 2017, we will be joined by seven new students and an entirely new DGSIR course on qualitative methodology will be introduced. We have also developed and approved a set of detailed guidelines for the Comprehensive Exam to be launched in fall 2018.

ANNUAL EVENTS

CARMON PRIZE CEREMONY

18/01/2017

The Carmon Prize is awarded for excellence in writing an MA thesis or PhD dissertation on the subject of: Israeli Security Policy in the Middle East.

Three students received the Carmon Prize at the Leonard Davis Institute's annual Carmon Prize Ceremony:

1. Omri Adomi, "The Military Relations between Israel and West Germany 1957-1965" (MA thesis)
2. Yogev Elbaz, "Israel's Involvement in the Civil War in Yemen as Part of the Cold War between Israel and Egypt (1956-1967)" (MA thesis)
3. Ofir Hadad, "The Immigration Policy of Israel and the Threatened Palestinians" (MA thesis)

The keynote address was by former Israeli defense minister Maj. Gen. (res.) Moshe Ya'alon on the subject: "Israel's Challenges in the Middle East and the International Arena".



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