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## AN IMPORTANT BRIDGE TO ISRAEL-CANADA RELATIONS

Visiting Bullock Chair the Honourable Frank Iacobucci reflects on his visit to Israel



*The Hon. Frank Iacobucci*

The 2017 Bullock Chair was awarded to The Honourable Frank Iacobucci. Mr. Justice Iacobucci joined the University of Toronto's faculty of law in 1967, and taught there until 1985. He successively served as U of T's vice president of internal affairs, dean of its law faculty, and vice president and provost. In 1985, Mr. Justice Iacobucci was appointed deputy minister of justice and deputy attorney general for Canada. In

1988, he was named chief justice of the Federal Court of Canada. In 1991, he was appointed as a justice of the Supreme Court of Canada.

Mr. Justice Iacobucci retired from the Supreme Court in June 2004 and served as interim president of the University of Toronto from September 2004 until June 2005.

As the 2017 James M. Bullock Visiting Chair, I had the pleasure and delight of meeting with academic leaders, professors and students of the Hebrew University and of Tel Aviv University during my 2017 visit to Israel. I also met with former judges of the Supreme Court of Israel. I delivered a public lecture, entitled "The relationship between Canada and Indigenous people: Past, present and future," at the Hebrew University. Prior to

the lecture, I met with Hebrew University law students in a class given by Prof. Barak Medina.

I was able to reconnect with Israeli friends who are academics and former judges. Particularly pleasant were the contacts and discussions with students at both the Hebrew University and Tel Aviv University. As I noted in my lecture, there is considerable affinity between Israel and

Canada, especially in the law and academic disciplines generally. As the Bullock Chair I was able to witness that relationship firsthand. Indeed, the chair is an important bridge to Israel-Canada relations generally.

All this to say how grateful I am for the opportunity, hospitality and stimulating discourse I experienced during my visit to a most remarkable country.

# The Hon. Marie Deschamps Is 2018 Bullock Chair



*The Hon. Marie Deschamps*

The James R. Bullock Visiting Chair in Canadian Studies was established in 1995 in honour of its namesake, the Canadian businessman and philanthropist. Its goal is to invite prominent Canadian authors, scientists, scholars and policymakers to Jerusalem in order to enhance the field of Canadian Studies at the Hebrew University and in Israel. Bullock Chairs are selected based on excellence in their respective areas of specialization and their ability to strengthen and

deepen the relationship between Canada and Israel.

The 2018 Bullock Chair was awarded to the Honourable Marie Deschamps, who will visit Israel in 2018.

Mme. Justice Deschamps received a Licentiate in Laws from the Université de Montréal in 1974 and an LLM from McGill University in 1983. The Université de Montréal awarded her an honorary doctorate in 2008.

She was called to the Quebec Bar in 1975 and practiced as a trial lawyer at Martineau Walker and Sylvestre et Matte in commercial, family and civil law, then at Rouleau, Rumanek and Sirois in criminal law, and finally at Byers Casgrain in commercial and civil law.

She was appointed to the Quebec Superior Court on March 29, 1990, to the Quebec Court of Appeal on May 6, 1992, and to the Supreme Court of Canada on August 7, 2002.

Mme. Justice Deschamps has participated in the Université de

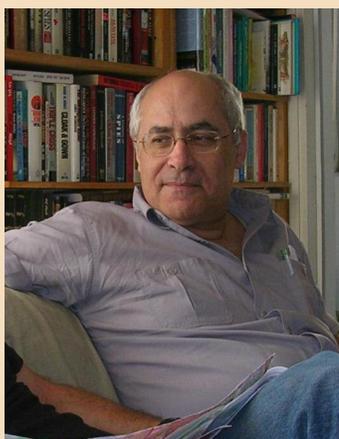
Montréal's advocacy classes for many years and in the Barreau du Québec's advocacy seminars for more than 25 years. She has also been an adjunct professor in the law faculty of the Université de Sherbrooke since 2006 and in that of McGill University since 2012.

She has been a member of the board of the Université de Montréal and a member of the board of directors of its alumni association. She also sat on the advisory committee on reform of the Bankruptcy Act in 1986 and on the Competition Tribunal advisory council from 1986 to 1990. She was inducted as a member of the American College of Trial Lawyers in 2005.

While at the Supreme Court of Canada, Mme. Justice Deschamps took a particular interest in the court's Law Clerk Program, and she also sat on a number of committees of the Canadian Judicial Council and the National Judicial Institute.

She retired from the judiciary on August 7, 2012.

## Halbert Centre director wins international law award



*Prof. Nachman Ben-Yehuda*

Halbert Centre director Prof. Nachman Ben-Yehuda is a co-winner of the 2017 International Law and Society Association Award. The award, in recognition of Prof. Ben-Yehuda's significant contributions to the advancement of knowledge in the field of law and society, was presented at the association's annual meeting in Mexico City in June 2017.

The association remarked: "Ben-Yehuda is a scholar with a truly international profile. His numerous publications on

morals, deviance and law-breaking have great impact on research in many countries. For example, his work on techniques of neutralization is taught to criminology students wherever they are. Nachman Ben-Yehuda bridges political science with criminology and brings both to the field of socio-legal studies, with a focus on social and political conflicts. His theorizing and research engage with the conflict in which his country finds itself, and he draws lessons for global perspectives."

# Joint Israeli-Canadian workshops

2015–16



*Prof. Gili Drori, department of sociology and anthropology, Hebrew University*

*The Halbert Centre for Canadian Studies hosts a series of joint research workshops featuring Canadian and Israeli scholars. Here, Prof. Gili Drori reports on a highly successful workshop from the 2015–2016 academic year.*

## Globalization, internationalization and the governance of higher education in Canada & Israel

Bologna Process? Transfer of study credits? Bi-national funding agencies?

Academics in universities worldwide are keenly aware of such “codes” and terminology, which are increasingly pertinent to their daily teaching, research and administrative tasks. Today, these include the international standardization of course curricula, trans-university registration of foreign students, and cross-national application for research grants.

Higher education systems worldwide are responding to the changes that globalization imposes. Universities are under pressure from an intensifying global competition over students, faculty and research funds and are working to internationalize their curriculum, student body and faculty. Further, much academic research is now conducted not only with partners outside of academia (firms, civil society, government) but also with

academic partners across the world.

What does this globalization of higher education mean for the governance of universities? How do universities administer their academic and public affairs once they internationalize?

These issues were at the heart of a three-day workshop co-sponsored by the Halbert Centre and the Van Leer Jerusalem Institute in May 2016. Organizers Prof. Gili S. Drori, head of the Hebrew University’s department of sociology and anthropology, and Prof. Glen A. Jones, dean of the Ontario Institute for Studies in Education at the University of Toronto, assembled a team of colleagues and doctoral students to consider patterns of international mobility of students and faculty, international accreditation, the “Englishization” of studies and, most importantly, the impact of multi-level governance — organizational, provincial, national and now also

international — on the autonomy of academic institutions.

To introduce a comparative perspective in workshop discussions, Drori and Jones hosted Diane Barbarič (University of Toronto), Prof. Sharon Gilad (Hebrew University), Prof. Hokyu Hwang (University of New South Wales, Australia), Dr. Anna Kosmützky (University of Kassel, Germany), Prof. Dr. Georg Krücken (University of Kassel, Germany), Oded Macdossi (Tel Aviv University, Israel), Ravit Mizrahi-Shtelman (Hebrew University), Prof. Christine Musselin (SciencesPO, France), Prof. Amalya Oliver (Hebrew University), Prof. Janne Tienari (Aalto University, Finland), Prof. Roopa Desai Trilokekar (York University, Canada), Prof. Behlül Üsdiken (Sabanci School of Management, Turkey), and Prof. Linda Wedlin (University of Uppsala, Sweden).

Most participants met each other for the first time at the workshop.

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It quickly became clear, however, that their research is very much aligned, revealing cross-national patterns of the imprint of globalization on the governance of academia. Participants are therefore considering the possibility of future collaborations, including a joint

publication that would assemble their research into a coherent statement, and a follow-up workshop to discuss the contributions to such a publication. In making such lasting academic collaboration, the workshop was a great success.

We thank the Halbert Centre for its sponsorship, enabling the Canadian and Israeli teams to engage with leading scholars from around the world and consider Israeli-Canadian comparisons within the context of the wider world of higher education.

# Israeli-Canadian workshops

## 2017–18

In the 2017–2018 academic year, the Halbert Centre will fund four joint research workshops hosting Israeli and Canadian researchers and scholars. The workshops, to be held at the Hebrew University, are aimed at

- Strengthening academic ties between Hebrew University researchers and their colleagues at Canadian universities
- Promoting the exchange and development of ideas and knowledge with Israeli and Canadian content, and
- Remaining at the forefront of the latest developments in academia.

### 2017–2018 WORKSHOPS INCLUDE:

- “Wrongful convictions,” led by Prof. Barak Ariel & Dr. Anat Horovitz, Hebrew University law faculty, and Prof. Kathryn M. Campbell, faculty of law, University of Ottawa (December 2017).
- “Teachers and teaching in the era of change,” led by Dr. Yifat Ben-David Kolikant, Hebrew University School of Education; Dr. Dragana Martinovic, faculty of education, University of Windsor, Canada; and Dr. Marina Milner-Bolotin, University of British Columbia faculty of education (February 2018).
- “Finding growth and innovation through mergers, acquisitions, and corporate reorganization,” led by Prof. Niron Hashai, School of Business Administration, Hebrew University, and Prof. Lynnette Purda, Smith School of Business, Queen’s University (May 2018).
- “Biblical Hebrew grammar: Reconciling philology and linguistic theory,” led by Prof. Edit Doron, linguistics department, Hebrew University, and Prof. Robert D. Holmstedt, department of Near & Middle Eastern civilizations, University of Toronto (June 2018).



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# Visiting professors

The Halbert Centre offers funding to visiting professors to teach courses with significant Canadian content at the Hebrew University's faculties of humanities, social science and law, and in the schools of social work and education.



*Keir Moulton*

During the 2016–2017 academic year, the Halbert Centre funded Canadian visiting professor **Keir Moulton**, of Simon Fraser University's linguistics department. Prof. Moulton was hosted by the Hebrew University's Language, Logic and Cognition Center, and gave a short course on "The syntax semantics of nominalized clauses."

During the 2017–2018 academic year, the Halbert Centre and the Hebrew University will welcome six visiting Canadian professors:



**Prof. Adam Cohen**, of the University of Toronto's department of history of art, will teach an

intensive graduate seminar on "Limits and responsibilities of art for recovering medieval life" (March 2018).



McGill University historian **Prof. Brian Cowan** will conduct a student workshop on

"Emotions in history" (June 2018).



**Prof. Claudia Ruitenberg**, of UBC's department of educational studies, will conduct an interdisciplinary workshop on civic education.

**Prof. Lianne Lefsrud**, of the University of Alberta's engineering faculty, will teach an MBA course on sustainability.



**Prof. Pierre-Emmanuel Moyse**, of McGill University's faculty of law, will conduct a one-day workshop (June 2018).

McGill University law professor **Shauna Van Praagh** will teach an intensive course on "Children and diversity."

## Support for visiting Canadian scholars

The Halbert Centre for Canadian Studies supports visits by prominent Canadian scholars to the Hebrew University.

During the 2016–2017 academic year, the Halbert Centre funded five visits by Canadian professors:



Osgoode Hall Law School professor **Harry Arthurs** participated in a conference on "A purposive approach to labour law" (February 2017).

UBC linguistics professor **Martina Wiltschko** gave a talk on "Towards a grammar of conversations: Evidence from Ktunaxa" (May 2017).



University of Toronto political scientist **Prof. Peter Loewen** participated in a workshop entitled "Non-representative

representatives: An experimental study of the decision-making traits of elected politicians" (November 2016). Prof. Loewen also lectured on the question: "Do happy people vote differently? Life satisfaction and political accountability" (March 2017).

UBC social work professor **Timothy Stainton** participated in a conference on "People with disabilities and the helping professions" (June 2017).

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# Halbert fellowships

During the 2017–2018 academic year, the Halbert Centre will fund five visits by Canadian professors, including:



McGill University political science professor **Leonardo Baccini** will give two public talks, one hosted by the

Hebrew University's international relations department and the other by the economics department (Fall 2017 semester).

University of Alberta political scientist **Prof. Linda Trimble** will give a series of lectures within the Hebrew University's department of communication and journalism and at the Swiss Center (November 2017).

University of Toronto sociologist **Prof. Ronit Dinovitzer** will give a lecture on "The new place of corporate law firms in the structuring of elite legal careers" (December 2017).



University of Toronto psychology professor **Tina Malti** will

participate in a conference on "Moral development: New directions in research on children's values and moral emotions and behaviours" (July 2018).

## Peter Lougheed Fellowship

The Lougheed Fellowship supports MA and PhD students at the Hebrew University working on a dissertation or thesis that has significant Canadian content. Recipients receive funding to collect data in Canada, meet Canadian experts in their field, and/or take advanced courses at Canadian universities. The Fellowship is funded equally by the Halbert Centre and the Israeli Association for Canadian Studies. It was not awarded for 2017–2018.

## Arie Shachar Post-Doctoral Fellowship

The Shachar fellowship is co-sponsored by the Canadian Friends of the Hebrew University, the Halbert Centre for Canadian Studies and the Israel Association for Canadian Studies. It enables recent Hebrew University PhD recipients, working on post-doctoral projects with significant Canadian content, to carry out their research at any university in Canada. This fellowship is awarded every two years.

## Halbert Post-Doctoral Exchange @ Munk School

The Halbert Post-Doctoral Fellowship allows recent Israeli PhDs working on post-doctoral projects in any field to participate in an exchange program with the University of Toronto's Munk School of Global Affairs. The 2016–2017 fellowship was awarded to two candidates:



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**Ziv Rubin**, for his research proposal "Globalization and housing affordability: The impact of immigration



**Liran Harsgor**, for her research proposal "Far but close: The politics of a new global generation."

# SHIELDING YOUTH FROM RADICALIZATION

## Israeli-Canadian Faculty Collaboration Grant



*Hebrew social work professor and clinical psychologist Ruth Pat-Horenczyk reflects on her collaboration with Dalhousie University professor Michael Ungar. The two received a 2016–2017 Israeli-Canadian Faculty Collaboration Grant for their proposal, “Shielding youth from radicalization: A prosocial initiative to build resilience.”*

The Halbert Centre’s Israeli-Canadian Faculty Collaboration Grant is designed to facilitate scholarly exchanges on topics with significant Canadian content between Hebrew University faculty and researchers affiliated with recognized institutions of higher education in Canada. It is open

to tenured and non-tenured researchers at the Hebrew University.

The collaboration grant enabled Prof. Michael Ungar, co-director of the Resilience Research Centre at Dalhousie University in Halifax, to travel to the Hebrew University in November 2016. There, he participated in a variety of activities, including giving the keynote lecture — “Resilience to radicalization: A cross-cultural perspective” — at the conference “Shielding youth from radicalization: A pro-social initiative to build resilience.” Approximately 70 researchers and students (including eight researchers from abroad) attended the conference.

At the Hebrew University School of Social Work, Prof. Ungar participated in a research workshop on developing an international, collaborative, multi-site research and intervention project. The group, of about 25, explored the main research question of such a collaboration: how to screen and identify children and youth on a

high-risk trajectory for radicalization.

Prof. Ungar gave a concluding presentation on “Resilience across cultures and contexts” to an audience of about 50 students, researchers and members of the public.

The conference and workshop led to the development of a collaboration between researchers from Germany, Holland, Italy, the United Kingdom, Canada and Israel on a pilot study of risk factors for youth radicalization. A second meeting of the research group is planned in Erfurt, Germany, on May 4–6, 2017. We hope that the result of this meeting will be a joint proposal to be submitted to Horizon 2020, enabling us to continue and broaden our research collaboration.

We are grateful to the Halbert Centre for its generous support of our collaboration.

*For more information about the conference, and to view videotaped lectures, please visit [www.huresiliencegroup.com](http://www.huresiliencegroup.com).*

The 2017–2018 grant was awarded to Prof. Maya Tamir, Hebrew University psychology department, and Prof. William Cunningham, University of Toronto department of psychology, for their proposal “Precious anger: Prejudice shapes evaluations of emotions.”

# Remembering ourselves forward

## Yael Efron, the 2016 Arie Shachar Post-Doctoral Fellowship recipient, describes her experience.



Can we imagine a kind of peace that includes the freedom to continue our conflicts, a kind of unity that welcomes different ways of seeing what or whom unites us, a kind of history that thrives in the midst of

divergent narratives, a kind of reconciliation that bears past traumas within it like a seed-force?

As a teenager, I spent three years with my family in Vancouver, B.C. At the time, I was not able to appreciate the privilege of having this unique experience. It was only after returning home to Israel, amid the first Intifada, that I realized the contrast in these life experiences. I then grew more conscious of the many conflicts affecting civilian lives, both at home and abroad. My interest in conflict resolution deepened further through my legal studies at the Hebrew University. It was only

natural that I searched for a post-doctoral research opportunity on this topic.

My search for such a fellowship brought me to Prof. Michelle LeBaron, dispute resolution scholar at the Peter A. Allard School of Law at the University of British Columbia. Prof. LeBaron put together a diverse research group, comprised of scholars and practitioners from various disciplines and different countries. The group's research aims to identify the unique characteristics of conflicts that involve religious or world-view components, and to develop innovative tools to deal with them.

Canada, and specifically Vancouver, became once again a pivotal spot in my life. I had abundant interest and motivation for this adventure. Finances, however, were more challenging. To my great fortune, Prof. LeBaron's willingness to include me in this multidisciplinary research was met with the generosity of the Halbert Centre for Canadian Studies at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem and the Canadian Friends of the Hebrew University. With the generous grant I received, I am able not only to work closely with my instructor, based in Vancouver, but also to travel with her to areas around the world affected by worldview conflicts, such as Ireland and South Africa.

This post-doc experience allows me to fulfill my thirst for knowledge, to create meaningful connections with fellow researchers and perhaps contribute, albeit moderately, to the advancement of the field of conflict resolution. For this, I am truly grateful and honoured.

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