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About the University Social Responsibility Network

Universities are increasingly expected to play a broader role than educating youth and creating knowledge. The rapidly changing environment in which universities operate requires them to contribute more to the betterment of society through the integration of social responsibility into institutional management, teaching, research, services and public activities. The notion of university social responsibility (USR) transcends the traditional mission of universities and emphasises the social relevance of higher education.

The University Social Responsibility Network (USRN) was established in 2015 on the belief that universities have an obligation to work together to nd solutions to address the economic, social and environmental challenges facing the world today, making the world more just, inclusive, peaceful and sustainable. The USRN brings together a group of universities from across the world committed to USR to exchange ideas, resources and practices and to collaborate on impactful projects in an endeavour to promote and elevate the global movement of USR in higher education.

MEMBERSHIP

The USRN currently has 16 member institutions worldwide:

- Al-Farabi Kazakh National University, Kazakhstan
- Beijing Normal University, China
- Clare Hall, University of Cambridge, UK
- Kyoto University, Japan
- Peking University, China
- Sichuan University, China
- Simon Fraser University, Canada
- The Hong Kong Polytechnic University, Hong Kong
- The University of Manchester, UK
- Tufts University, USA
- University of Haifa, Israel
- University of New South Wales, Australia
- University of Pretoria, South Africa
- University of São Paulo, Brazil
- Washington University in St Louis, USA
- Yonsei University, Korea

University Social Responsibility Network

OUR VISION

- Be an effective collaborative platform for all USRN member institutions in pursuit of USR.
- Be an important global player in spearheading USR strategic development for the betterment of universities and the world.

OUR MISSION

- To provide a platform for the exchange of ideas, resources, policies, practices, problems and solutions to foster USR among member institutions.
- To develop collaborative USR projects with varied scopes and scales within the USRN.
- To contribute to the global discussions and development of USR through networking and partnerships within the USRN and with other networks and alliances.

WHAT WE DO

Committed to creating a vibrant platform for collaboration, the USRN has identified several areas for impactful collaboration:

1. Global Student Engagement

Student Exchange Opportunity and International Service-Learning Programme

The USRN has been active in student exchange, particularly in international service learning, with member institutions opening up their programmes to student participation within the Network.

Its past service-learning exchange programmes have included projects in Sichuan, China (post-disaster rehabilitation), Kyoto, Japan (active ageing), Phnom Penh, Cambodia (solar power installation), Kigali, Rwanda (sustainable water lter system building) and Pretoria, South Africa (community engagement and development).

Annual Global Youth Leaders Summit

The annual Global Youth Leaders Summit is a ground-breaking international student leader conference that brings together student leaders worldwide to debate and discuss how young leaders can make a difference in the world through community participation and projects.

Each year, the Global Youth Leaders Summit opens up spaces for students from the USRN member universities to join and exchange ideas on different community engagement projects with other international student presenters. The students are also given the opportunity to actualise their project ideas by forming a project group and applying for project seed funding.

Young Community Leaders Fund

The Young Community Leaders Fund was established to encourage and support students from USRN member universities to initiate and organise projects in teams with students from other institutions, with the aim of enhancing their intercultural understanding and nurturing their community leadership skills and global citizenship.

The rst student project funded by the Young Community Leaders Fund was led by a group of students from six USRN universities, with the aim of serving the local community in slum areas of Uganda.

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2. Professional Development Workshop

The USRN organises the Professional Development Workshop each year for USR capacity building, with member institutions taking turns to host the workshop in their respective countries to facilitate mutual learning and to exchange good USR-related practices and policies. The University of Manchester, University of Pretoria and University of São Paulo have hosted previous workshops.

3. Promoting Global USR Awareness

Bi-Annual International USR Summit

Every alternate year, the USRN member institutions take turns hosting the International USR Summit in their respective countries. The Summit, a flagship event of the Network, serves as an effective platform for university leaders, senior government of cials, administrators, scholars, practitioners and students worldwide to share insights and best practices on issues concerning USR and university-community partnership. The Summit also provides an excellent opportunity for different stakeholders to foster partnerships and collaborations, contributing to global USR development.

USR Month

To enhance awareness of the USR movement, the Network organises USR Month every October to advocate the social responsibility of higher education. Member universities demonstrate and highlight their commitment to USR by showcasing their USR activities during USR Month. Through the commemoration of USR Month, universities af liated with the USRN are able to learn from each other's USR initiatives and motivate other universities outside of the Network to strengthen their USR initiatives.

Social Impact Metrics and Impact Stories

The USRN strives to develop better metrics to capture social impact. Many university rankings do not adequately capture the social impact of higher education. USR efforts often make impact in ways that are outside of citations or traditional metrics. The Network is currently collating a set of impact stories from member institutions to demonstrate the versatility of USR in creating social impact.

4. Research on Global Issues

The USRN is a strategic network of leading research universities with strong track records in conducting research to address the world's greatest challenges. Leveraging the strong research tradition of its member institutions, the USRN develops research clusters focused on critical global issues, aiming to produce high-level research and to generate impact through inter-disciplinary and cross-border collaborations.

Some research themes that the Network is working on include the following, which are also linked with the UN Sustainable Development Goals.

- Climate Change and Sustainable Development
- Cultural Diversity and Social Inclusion
- Disaster Risk Reduction and Governance
- Food Safety and Quality
- Innovative Solutions for Ageing Society
- Refugees and Migration

A USRN Student Research Attachment programme will be held by Kyoto University in early 2019 and a Residential Research Workshop will be held at Clare Hall at the University of Cambridge in the summer of 2019.

5. Publications

The book titled 'University Social Responsibility and Quality of Life: A Global Survey of Concepts and Experiences' (co-edited by Professor Daniel Shek and Professor Robert Hollister) was published by Springer in 2017. The book not only documents the USR policies and practices of the USRN member institutions, but also explores the conceptualisation and different dimensions of USR. Each USRN member institution contributed a chapter to the book.

The Network is currently working on a second book project to explore fostering USR through a cultural approach.

USRN MEMBER INSTITUTIONS

No membership fee is required to join the USRN. However, the following criteria are applied in assessing membership applications:

- Institutional track record in and commitment to USR
- Institutional commitment to the USRN
- Institutional reputation
- Geographic location of the institution against the USRN's geographic representation

SECRETARIAT

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Prof. Ron ROBIN

President,
University of Haifa

I am proud and honored to be writing these words to you.

These are exciting times for the University. The Summit, entitled "Nurturing a Culture for University Social Responsibility", serves as an opportunity for institutes of higher education to converse internationally about the key issue of integration and diversity in academia. We are proud and honored to host the 2018 USR summit.

The University of Haifa's Faculty and student population is unique in its composition. We are the most pluralistic institution of higher learning in Israel and a shining example of how excellent research and teaching can be conducted in an atmosphere of mutual respect and inclusion. This is our contribution to the State of Israel and its continued strength.

The University's distinctive mission is to foster academic excellence in an atmosphere of tolerance and diversity – an environment, which contributes to excellent research and to more exceptional, creative and productive alumni.

To our guests this year, we are grateful for your attendance and support of the USR Network. To all of you who have worked so hard for the past months to make this summit possible – I profoundly grateful for your commitment and passion.

Best wishes for a memorable and enjoyable summit.

Prof. Ron Robin
President
University of Haifa

Prof. Timothy W. Tong

President,
The Hong Kong Polytechnic University

Welcome to the University Social Responsibility (USR) Summit 2018.

The Summit, themed “Universities’ Social Responsibility in Shaping a Future of Critical Hope”, focuses on the role of higher education in shaping the future of our society when the world is facing challenges relating to climate change, poverty, inequality, con ict and on many other fronts.

The USR Summit is a biennial flagship event of the University Social Responsibility Network (USRN), a global alliance initiated by The Hong Kong Polytechnic University with 16 member universities from across the world. The last Summit, hosted in 2016 by Peking University in Beijing with the extensive participation of other universities in Mainland China, raised awareness of USR in the Mainland. I am sure this year’s Summit, with support from Israel’s higher education sector and the participation of delegates from different countries, will be another success, generating impacts in the region and the world.

I take this opportunity to extend my sincere appreciation to all the member universities of the USRN and all the distinguished speakers for their contributions to the Summit. Our special thanks go to the Local Organizing Committee, comprising senior academic leaders in Israel and representatives from the Office of the President of Israel, and our co-hosting partners – University of Haifa and The Hebrew University of Jerusalem.

I wish you all an inspiring and rewarding Summit.

Timothy W. Tong, Ph.D.
President
The Hong Kong Polytechnic University

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Dr. Angelina YUEN

Chair, Executive Committee,
University Social Responsibility Network
Senior Advisor to the President
The Hong Kong Polytechnic University

The University Social Responsibility Network (USRN) is a global alliance of 16 member universities united in their commitment to university social responsibility, with representation in each major continent and region of the world. The Hong Kong Polytechnic University is proud to have initiated this network and host its Secretariat. The network is intentionally kept relatively small in size to facilitate collaboration and strategic development. It embraces a vision: to be an important global player in spearheading University Social Responsibility (USR) strategic development for the betterment of universities and the world.

The biennial USR Summit is a major vehicle of realizing this vision. After the Beijing USR Summit 2016 hosted by Peking University, I am glad that USR Summit 2018 is being held in Israel, having garnered so much support from the Israeli and international communities. This has demonstrated the support the Summit is able to garner and the in uence it can have in the region and the world.

Besides the USR Summit, the USRN engages in a wide range of activities, from organizing student exchange in service learning and student summit, to staff development, publication and research. In 2018 alone, the network has organized a Staff Development Programme at University of Sao Paulo in Brazil, staged a Student Summit in Hong Kong and Beijing, launched a scheme in student research attachment, conducted service-learning summer exchange, and inaugurated a USR Month (October) campaign, not to mention the Summit we are having here in Israel.

Student development is a major area of focus for the USRN. You will be witnessing a milestone in our work in student development as we are launching in the Summit a USR student network with USRN member universities' students as main representatives. We hope the student network will be a force to be reckoned with internationally in students' global citizenship and leadership development. The student network will be a valued partner of the USRN in promotion of USR.

I would like to thank all Summit participants for your joining the USRN in an exciting and inspiring global dialogue about universities' role in building a future of hope and peace, and I hope to see you in future events of the USRN.

Dr Angelina Yuen
Chair, Executive Committee, University Social Responsibility Network
Senior Advisor to the President, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University

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Day 1: Sunday, 2 December 2018
Venue: Hecht Museum Auditorium, Main Building
University of Haifa

0900-0930	Registration Opens
0930-1000	Welcome Remarks • Prof. Gustavo MESCH, Rector, University of Haifa • Dr. Angelina YUEN, Chair, Executive Committee, University Social Responsibility Network, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University • Prof Yaffa ZILBERSHATS, Chair of the Planning and Budgeting Committee, Council of Higher Education in Israel • Welcome remarks video from Prof. Ron ROBIN, President, University of Haifa • Congratulatory video speech from Mr. BAN Ki-moon, The 8th Secretary General of the United Nations
1000-1010	Group Photo
1010-1030	Keynote Speech: Universities' Social Responsibility in Shaping a Future of Critical Hope Keynote Speaker: • Prof Yuli TAMIR, Former Minister of Education of Israel; President of Shenkar College
1030-1100	Tea Break (Venue: Hecht Museum Foyer, Main Building)
1100-1245	Plenary Session I: University Social Responsibility: Global Perspectives Chair: • Prof Robert M. HOLLISTER, Professor Emeritus, Tufts University Speakers: • Prof David IBBETSON, President, Clare Hall, University of Cambridge • Prof Joy JOHNSON, Vice-President, Research and International, Simon Fraser University • Dr. Fernando Diego PALACIO, Program-Speci c Senior Lecturer, International Strategy Of ce, Kyoto University • Prof Roni STRIER, Head of the Interdisciplinary Research Center for the Study of Poverty and Social Exclusion, University of Haifa • Prof YE Jingyi, Vice Chairman of University Council, Peking University
1245-1400	Lunch (Venue: Hecht Museum Foyer, Main Building)

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1400-1500	Plenary Session II: Israeli Hope in Academia Chair: • Ms. Ayala HENDIN, Director, Israeli Hope in Academia Speakers: • Mrs. Michal BARAK, Israeli Hope Of cer, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem • Dr. Ohr MARGALIT, Dean of Students and Israeli Hope Of cer, Levinsky College of Education • Dr. Yousef MASHARAWI, Senior Lecturer, Tel Aviv University
1500-1620	Students' Project Presentation (Session I) Chairs: • Dr. Maayan AGMON, Senior Lecturer, University of Haifa • Prof Ruti MARGALIT, Associate Professor, The Ruth and Bruce Rappaport Faculty of Medicine, Technion-Israel Institute of Technology
1620-1635	Tea Break (Venue: Hecht Museum Foyer, Main Building)
1635-1805	Plenary Session III: Inter-sectorial Collaboration in Promoting Social Responsibility through Innovation and Entrepreneurship Co-Chairs: • Dr. Alison LLOYD, Co-Chair, Executive Committee, University Social Responsibility Network; Director of International Affairs, Director of Institutional Research and Planning, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University • Prof ZHOU Zuoyu, Vice President, Beijing Normal University Speakers: • Mr. Aharon AHARON, CEO of the Israel Innovation Authority • Mr. Yehuda BRONICKI, Founders of Ormat Technologies, Winner of the 2018 Israel Prize for Industry • Mrs. Dita BRONICKI, Director, Bronicki Investments Ltd, Winner of the 2018 Israel Prize for Industry • Prof Michal GRINSTEIN-WEISS, Shanti K. Khinduka Distinguished Professor, Washington University in St. Louis • Prof Toru IIYOSHI, Deputy Executive Vice President for Education, Kyoto University • Dr. Alwin WONG, Director, Institute for Entrepreneurship, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University
1900-2100	Dinner (Venue: Tishreen Restaurant, Nazareth)

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Day 2: Monday, 3 December 2018
Venue: Hecht Museum Auditorium, Main Building
University of Haifa

0900-10-30

Parallel Session I: Inclusion and Diversity for Community Building

Venue: Hecht Museum Auditorium, Main Building

Chair:

- Prof Marylou MCLAWS, Deputy President Academic Board, The University of New South Wales

Speakers:

- Dr. Hok Bun KU, Director of China Research and Development Network, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University
- Prof MA Fengzhi, Co-Director, Peking University-The Hong Kong Polytechnic University China Social Work Research Centre, Peking University
- Prof. Gulmira ABDIRAIYMOVA, Doctor of Sociological Sciences, Professor, Head of the Department of Sociology and Social Work, Director of the Center of Sociological Researches and Social Engineering, Al-Farabi Kazakh National University
- Prof Marylou MCLAWS, Deputy President Academic Board, The University of New South Wales

Parallel Session II: Fostering Social Awareness through Community Engagement

Venue: Aviva and Sammy Ofer Observation Gallery, 30/F Eshkol Tower

Chair:

- Prof Antoinette LOMBARD, Head, Department of Social Work and Criminology, University of Pretoria

Speakers:

- Dr. Stephen CHAN, Head of Of ce of Service Learning, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University
- Ms. Shaheen NANJI, Director, International Community Engagement, Simon Fraser University
- Prof Michal SHAMAI, School of Social Work, University of Haifa
- Prof Min YANG, Director, West China Research Centre for Rural Health Development, Sichuan University
- Prof ZHANG Qiang, Associate Dean, School of Social Development and Public Policy, Beijing Normal University

1030-1100	Tea Break (Venue: Hecht Museum Foyer, Main Building)
1100-1220	**Students' Project Presentation (Session II)** Chairs: • Dr. Maayan AGMON, Senior Lecturer, University of Haifa • Prof Ruti MARGALIT, Associate Professor, The Ruth and Bruce Rappaport Faculty of Medicine, Technion-Israel Institute of Technology
1220-1235	**Inauguration of the University Social Responsibility Students' Network**
1235-1400	Lunch (Venue: Hecht Museum Foyer, Main Building)
1400-1600	**Study Tour in Haifa**
1600	Departing to Jerusalem Dinner (Venue: Muma Restaurant, Kiryat Anavim)

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Day 3: Tuesday, 4 December 2018
Venue: The Maiersdorf Faculty Club,
The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Mount Scopus

0830-0900	Registration Opens
0900-0930	Welcome Remarks Venue: 2/F, The Conference Center • Prof Oron SHAGRIR, Vice President for International Affairs, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem
0930-1100	Plenary Session IV: The Role of Universities in Con ict Resolution and Mediation Venue: 2/F, The Conference Center Chair: • Prof Daphna GOLAN, Director of Campus-Community Partnership, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem Speakers: • Prof Chris BRINK, Emeritus Vice-Chancellor, The Newcastle University, Former Rector and Vice-Chancellor of Stellenbosch University • Ms. Shifra GOTTLIEB, Israeli Hope Of cer, The Jerusalem College of Technology • Mr. Fadi KHASHRAM, Research Assistant, 3rd Year Student of BSN, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem • Dr. Zvika ORR, Senior Lecturer, Jerusalem College of Technology
1100-1130	Tea Break
1130-1230	Parallel Session III: Art and Culture and Social Responsibility Venue: Room 501 Chair: • Prof James THOMPSON, Vice President for Social Responsibility, The University of Manchester Speakers: • Mr. Eytan SHOUKER, Bezalel Academy of Arts and Design • Dr. Timothy SIM, Deputy Director, WHO Collaborating Center for Community Health Services, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University • Prof Gerson Yukio TOMANARI, Chief of Staff, President's Of ce, University of São Paulo

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1100-1230	Parallel Discussion IV: Governance, Society, and Policy Change Venue: Room 502 Chair: • Prof Michal GRINSTEIN-WEISS, Shanti K. Khinduka Distinguished Professor, Washington University in St. Louis Speakers: • Adv. Vardit DAMARI-MADAR, Professional Director of the Clinical Legal Education Center, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem • Adv. Sami ERSHEID, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem • Prof ZHANG Jing, Professor/Chair in Sociology, Peking University Student Parallel Discussion: Role and Development of the USR Students' Network Venue: Room 503
1230-1400	Lunch
1400-1430	Conclusion Session Venue: 2/F, The Conference Center • Prof. Faisal AZAIZA, Dean of the Faculty of Social Welfare and Health Sciences, University of Haifa • Dr. Angelina YUEN, Chair, Executive Committee, University Social Responsibility Network; Senior Advisor to the President, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University
1430-1700	Study Tours in Jerusalem
1900-2100	Gala Dinner *Sponsored by China Renaissance Education Foundation

Biographies

Prof. Gulmira ABDIRAIYMOVA

Doctor of Sociological Sciences, Professor,
Head of the Department of Sociology and Social Work,
Director of the Center of Sociological Researches
and Social Engineering,
Al-Farabi Kazakh National University

Gulmira S. Abdiraiymova has been the Head of the Sociology and Social Work Department, the Director of Center of Sociological research and Social Engineering at al-Farabi Kazakh National University (Kazakhstan) since 2008. Gulmira S. Abdiraiymova has been in charge of major fundamental and applied projects of Ministry of Education and Science of the Republic of Kazakhstan, international foundations (World Bank, Volkswagen, Open Society Foundation, F.Ebert Foundation and etc.) on international and national education systems, and implementation of Bologna process principles in HEI of Kazakhstan.

Gulmira S. Abdiraiymova has been served as the chairman of the Council of Young scientists at the Foundation of the First President of RK - Elbasy (2007-2012), the chairman of the Dissertation Council “6D050000 - Social Sciences” at the al-Farabi Kazakh National University (2013, 2014), the chairman of the Council for Science of the Foundation of the First President of RK - Elbasy (2018), the scienti c secretary of the Association of Sociologists of Kazakhstan.

Gulmira S. Abdiraiymova is a young scientists award laureate by Association of sociologists of Kazakhstan (2003), a holder of the state scienti c grants for talented young scholars by Ministry of education and science of the Republic of Kazakhstan (2004-2005), a winner of M. Auezov Award for the best work in humanitarian area by Ministry of Education and Science of the Republic of Kazakhstan (2006), a winner of the state grant of Ministry of Education and Science Republic of Kazakhstan «Best lecturer of HEI» (2007).

Dr. Maayan AGMON

Senior Lecturer,
University of Haifa

Dr. Maayan Agmon, received her PT degree from Ben Gurion University, her Master's degree in Anthropology from University of Haifa and her PhD from the Nursing Department at University of Washington, Seattle, Washington. Her research interests lie in the interplay between mobility, cognition and behavior. She is the voluntary co-leader of "Activist aging" course and leads a collaboration between community and university aiming at promoting participation of older adults.

Mr. Aharon AHARON

CEO of the Israel Innovation Authority

Aharon Aharon is the CEO of the Israel Innovation Authority, an independent public entity that operates for the benefit of the Israeli innovation ecosystem and Israeli economy as a whole. Its role is to nurture and develop Israeli innovation resources, while creating and strengthening the infrastructure and framework needed to support the entire knowledge industry.

Prior to his role at the Authority, Aharon served as the VP of Hardware Technologies and General Manager of Apple Israel. Aharon joined Apple in 2011, as its rst Apple employee in Israel, and managed the R&D activities of Apple's Hardware Technologies in Israel.

In 2004, Aharon co-founded Camero, a startup company developing through-the-wall micro-power radars for the defense and HLS markets. He served as the CEO and Chairman of the company, which was acquired by the SK group in 2010.

From 2003 till 2010, Aharon served as an active Chairman of the Board at Discretix, a startup company providing solutions for data security in mobile phones and hand-held devices. Discretix was acquired by ARM in 2014.

Aharon managed Seabridge, a wholly owned subsidiary of Siemens. As CEO, he oversaw the successful turnaround of the company.

Aharon served as COO of Zoran (NASDAQ: ZRAN) in Silicon Valley, managing all aspects of company activities along with the nancing of development of chips for consumer electronics markets.

Aharon began his professional career at the IBM Research Division in Haifa, Israel, where he spent 14 years and held a number of senior management positions including Deputy Manager of IBM Research's Haifa operations.

Aharon holds a B.Sc and M.Sc in Computer Engineering and Electrical Engineering respectively from the Technion, where he lectured for more than 15 years (1983-1999).

Prof. Faisal AZAIZA

Dean of the Faculty of Social Welfare and Health Sciences,
University of Haifa

Professor Faisal Azaiza is Dean of the Faculty of Social Welfare and Health Sciences at the University of Haifa and currently serves as a member of the IASSW board. Previously, he served as Head of School of Social Work. Professor Azaiza was also on the Planning and Budgeting Committee (VATAT) and Chair of the Committee for Promoting Accessibility of Higher Education for the Arab Population (The Council for Higher Education, MALAG), among other pursuits. Prior to his current position, he also acted as Head of the University's Jewish-Arab Center and mayor of the municipality of Daburiyya, an Arab village in Israel's north district. He is a former member of the Council for Higher Education in Israel and former head of its subcommittee for universities and colleges of education.

Professor Azaiza completed his MSW and Ph. D. in Social Work at Hebrew University in Jerusalem and has published on the subjects of Jewish-Arab relations in Israel; welfare and health of minority populations; cultural transformation of ethnic minorities; utilization of informal and alternative modes of help; and Arab families, women, and adolescents. His current research projects include: School, Family and Community Partnerships: Empowering Arab and Jewish Parents in Education, Promoting Adherence to Early Detection of Breast Cancer Screening, and Psychiatric diagnoses in Arabic-speaking patients in Israel.

Mr. BAN Ki-moon

The 8th Secretary General of the United Nations

In April 2018, Mr. Ban has been elected as the Chairman of Boao Forum for Asia. Since January 2018, Mr. Ban, along with former President of Austria, Mr. Heinz Fischer, was inducted as Co-Chairs of the Ban Ki-moon Centre for Global Citizens in Vienna, Austria. Mr. Ban Ki-moon was elected as Chairman of IOC Ethics Committee in September 2017. Mr. Ban is also the Distinguished Chair Professor and Honorary Chairman at the Institute for Global Engagement & Empowerment at Yonsei University in Seoul, Korea. Since February 2018, he was elected as President of the Assembly & Chair of the Council of Global Green Growth Institute (GGGI).

Prior to such appointments, Mr. Ban had served two consecutive terms as Secretary General of the United Nations (2007-2016). At the time of his appointment at the UN, Mr. Ban was Minister of Foreign Affairs and Trade of the Republic of Korea.

Throughout his tenure at the UN, Mr. Ban sought to be a bridge builder, to give voice to the world's poorest and most vulnerable. He pressed successfully for action to combat climate change, an effort that culminated in the adoption and rapid entry into force of the landmark Paris Agreement in 2016. Mr. Ban worked closely with member states of the UN to shape the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and to establish UN Women, thereby advancing the Organization's work for gender equality and women's empowerment.

Mrs. Michal BARAK

Israeli Hope Of cer,
The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Michal Barak is the executive director of the Center for the Study of Multiculturalism and Diversity at the Hebrew University and the university's "Israeli Hope" officer. She holds an LL.B. from the Hebrew University Law Faculty and an M.A. in linguistics from Rutgers University. She has worked extensively in education for democracy, human rights and a shared society at The Gilo Center for Civic Education, The Center for Education and Technology (CET), The Open University and The Lautman Forum for Education Policy. She is the founder of A Different Lesson and is active in various social and political initiatives in Israel.

Prof. Chris BRINK

Emeritus Vice-Chancellor, Newcastle University,
Former Rector and Vice-Chancellor of Stellenbosch University

Professor Chris Brink served as Vice-Chancellor of Newcastle University in the UK from 2007 till 2016. He was a Board member of the Russell Group, as well as the N8, the partnership of eight research-intensive universities in the North of England, which he also chaired. Previously he had served as a Board member of Universities UK (where he chaired the Student Policy Network), the national Equality Challenge Unit (also as Co-Chair), the national Quality Assurance Agency, JISC (the national digital services provider), the Advisory Committee on Leadership, Governance and Management of HEFCE, the North East Local Enterprise Partnership, and various regional Boards. Currently he serves on the University Grants Committee in Hong Kong, where he chairs the implementation group for the 2020 Research Assessment Exercise.

Chris Brink is known as a champion of the idea of a civic university, which he phrased in two key questions: ‘What are we good at?’ and ‘What are we good for?’. For his work with the city he was awarded the Freedom of Newcastle. Before taking up his position at Newcastle, Professor Brink was Vice-Chancellor of Stellenbosch University in South Africa, where he led a transformation agenda which attracted national and international attention. Earlier, he had served as Pro-Vice-Chancellor (Research) at the University of Wollongong in Australia. Before that he was Professor and Head of the Department of Mathematics and Applied Mathematics at the University of Cape Town, and served as the University’s Coordinator of Strategic Planning.

Mr. Yehuda BRONICKI

Founders of Ormat Technologies,
Winner of the 2018 Israel Prize for Industry

Yehuda L. Bronicki received his BSc and MSc degrees in engineering from l'Ecole Superieure d'Ingenieurs Arts et Metiers, and another masters' degree in physics from the Sorbonne. He received honorary PhDs from the Weizmann Institute of Science and the Technion – Israel Institute of Technology.

Mr. Bronicki was head of the Solar Turbine Team at the National Physical Laboratory of Israel in Jerusalem. Together with his wife he established Ormat Industries, in 1965. Ormat went on to become a world leader in renewable energy solutions with a focus on geothermal power plants, with operations in 30 countries. Mr. Bronicki served as chairman and CTO in Ormat and Chairman of related companies including Orbotech Ltd., Orgenics, Or-Ad Hi-Tec Systems Ltd. and Bet Shemesh Engines ltd.

Bronicki received the Israel Prize for Industry in 2018 his pioneering work on Ormat. He won the rst Rothschild Prize for innovation, the Geothermal Research Council Award for Lifetime Contribution to the Industry and a Gold Medal from the Royal Academy of Engineering of UK for his contribution to the geothermal engineering.

Mr. Bronicki is a member of the Executive Board of the Weizmann Institute, the Board of the Technion and Board of ORT-Vocational Training Institution. He was a member of Commissions of Energy for Tomorrow's World of the UN, OECD and WEC.

He is the author of 40 patents and 50 technical publications.

Mrs. Dita BRONICKI

Director, Bronicki Investments Ltd,
Winner of the 2018 Israel Prize for Industry

Dita is one of the leading industrialists in Israel. Together with her husband, Yehuda, they founded the Ormat group of companies in 1964. Under their leadership the company grew from a small workshop to a global company, publicly traded on the NY stock exchange and a world leader in geothermal energy. Dita served as the CEO of Ormat from 1991, until her retirement in 2014.

Since her retirement, Dita is active in various activities related to vocational and technological education and is a member of a number of organizations in this area.

Dita received the Prize of Israel in the eld of Industry in 2018, in addition to many other awards over the years.

Dr. Stephen CHAN

Head of Of ce of Service Learning,
The Hong Kong Polytechnic University

Dr. Stephen Chan received his PhD in Electrical Engineering from The University of Rochester in the USA in 1987. He worked for Neo-Visuals in Toronto from 1987, the National Research Council of Canada in Ottawa from 1988 and The Department of Computing at The Hong Kong Polytechnic University from 1993. His current research interests are data mining, human-computer interaction and service-learning.

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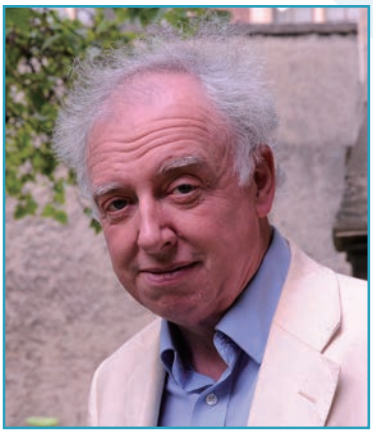
In 2005, Professor Hollister co-led organization of the conference in Talloires, France, of university heads from around the world that launched the Talloires Network. He then guided the growth and development of the Network, and from 2011-2016 served as its Executive Director. The Network now numbers 378 member universities in 77 countries and is a premier global coalition advancing university social engagement and social responsibility.

He serves as Vice-Chair of the Board of his alma mater, Antioch College, an innovative leader in experiential education and education for social justice.

Professor Hollister is co-editor of University Social Responsibility and Quality of Life: A Global Survey of Concepts and Experiences, co-author of The Engaged University: International Perspectives on Civic Engagement and of Development Politics, and co-editor and contributing author of Governing, Leading and Managing Nonprofit Organizations; Cities of the Mind; Neighborhood Policy and Planning; and Neighborhood Health Centers.



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A key element of Dr. Johnson's role focuses on knowledge mobilization by facilitating opportunities to transfer the results of SFU research to society. This collaborative role allows for an interplay between research and innovation to enhance social, economic and environmental wellbeing.

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