

## **New members of Public Standing – Short CV's**

### **Admiral (ret.) Ami Ayalon (Israel)**

Admiral (ret.) Ami Ayalon, former Chairman of the University of Haifa's Executive Committee (2011-2017), is the Head of the Center for Democracy and National Security at the Israel Democracy Institute. He serves as the Chairman of AKIM Israel (the National Association for the Habilitation of Children and Adults with Intellectual Disabilities), and the Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Haifa Research Center for Maritime & Strategy. Ayalon is a former Director of Israel Security Agency (the Shin Bet) and a former commander of Israel's Navy. He has served as a cabinet minister and a member of the Knesset. Along with Sari Nusseibeh, he has headed the People's Voice peace initiative in 2002.

### **Mr. Bastiaan (Bas) Belder (Netherlands)**

Mr. Bastiaan (Bas) Belder is a Dutch politician and Member of the European Parliament with the SGP, part of the European Conservatives and Reformists Group and sits on the European Parliament's Committee on Foreign Affairs. Belder himself is a member of the SGP, the Reformed Political Party. He is a substitute for the Committee on Agriculture. Furthermore he is vice-chairman of the delegation for the relations between the European Parliament and Israel and he is chairman of the European Parliament Working Group on Human Dignity.

### **Prof. Alan Dershowitz (USA)**

Alan Dershowitz is an American lawyer, jurist, and author. He is a prominent scholar on United States constitutional law and criminal law and a leading defender of civil liberties. He spent most of his career at Harvard Law School where in 1967 (at the age of 28) he became the youngest full professor of law in its history. He held the Felix Frankfurter professorship there from 1993, until his retirement in December 2013. He is now a regular CNN contributor and political analyst.

### **Mr. Yossi Elbaz (Israel)**

Mr. Yossi Elbaz, Chairman of Domino's Pizza Israel, is a University of Haifa alumnus, a committed and dedicated benefactor of student scholarships in the past 3 years. He holds a BA in Economics and Business Administration from the University of Haifa and a graduate degree in Law (LL.M) from Bar Ilan University. He started working for Domino's Pizza right after completing his army service. After 3 years he became a franchise holder and following the company's bankruptcy proceedings he purchased it with a silent partner and it is still led and managed by him today.

### **Dr. Reuven Gal (Israel)**

Dr. Reuven Gal Served as the Chief Psychologist of the Navy (1969-1972) and that of the IDF (1976-1982). He established, and subsequently headed, the Carmel Institute for Social Studies (1985-2000) and the Center for Outstanding Leadership (1992-until today) in Zikhron Ya'akov. He served on the Israeli National Security Council as Deputy National Security Advisor for Domestic Policy (2002-2004) and established and headed the National Civic Service in the Office of the Prime Minister (2007-2009). He is a research fellow at the Samuel Neaman Institute at the Technion and heads the Ultra-orthodox (U-O) Integration Project (since 2010). He has initiated and led many international projects dealing with conflict resolution, multiculturalism, coexistence, managing post-trauma as well as in areas of civic service and the Ultra-orthodox society. Gal is a member of the University Executive Committee.

### **Mr. Stanly Gold (USA)**

Mr. Stanly Gold is the President, Chief Executive Officer and Co-Founder of Shamrock Holdings. He served in leadership roles at various Shamrock Israel portfolio companies including Chairman of Koor Industries and Chairman of Tadiran Communication . Previously he was as a Director of The Walt Disney Company, where he was actively involved in reshaping the strategic direction. Mr. Gold is highly involved in public affairs and is the Chairman Emeritus of the Jewish Federation of LA, Hebrew Union College and the Board of Trustees of USC. He holds a degree in political science from the University of California, a J.D. from the University of Southern California Law School and did his postgraduate work at Cambridge University in England.

### **Mr. Dov Kehat (Israel)**

Mr. Dov Kehat served between the years 1988-1991 as the Director General of the Ministry of Interior and as the Chairman of the National Council for Planning and Building; between the years 2004-2005 he served as the Director of the Federation of Local Authorities in Israel; since 2005 he serves as the President of Chalufa Kehat Inc. and Idan Technologies Inc. which deals with personal, strategic, professional and organizational counseling to mayors, local communities and local other large entities in the Israel and abroad. Kehat is a member of the University Executive Committee.

### **Dr. Ran Lin (Israel)**

Dr. Ran Lin is the grandson of Aba Khoushy, the famous Mayor of Haifa, who conceived the idea of the establishment of the University of Haifa. Dr. Lin is a Senior Attending of the Department of Urology at Rambam Medical Center as well as the Director of Risk management Unit. He is also serving as the Chief Regional Doctor at the "Meuhedet" Health Fund. He is a member of The Rotary Club Haifa and was the Founder and President of Rotary Hod Hacarmel. Dr. Lin is involved with Nitzan, the

Israeli Association for children and adults with learning disabilities, and is very active in facilitating access of medical services to the Arab and Druze communities.

**Mr. Jay Ruderman (USA)**

Mr. Jay Ruderman is President of the Ruderman Family Foundation. He serves as a member of the Executive Committee of the Global Jewish Joint Distribution and as a member of the Executive Committee of the organization of Jewish philanthropists in the United States: Jewish Funders Network. He is active too in a number of organizations that engage in strengthening ties between American Jewry and Israel. In his capacity as President of the Ruderman Family Foundation, Jay devotes all his time to philanthropic activity and to advocacy for and raising awareness of the importance of the inclusion of people with disabilities in society, in all aspects of life, and of the strategic importance of the relationship between the State of Israel and Israeli society and United States Jewry.

**Mr. Roberto Strauss (Israel)**

Mr. Roberto Strauss grew up in Zurich. He studied for a BA in Economics at the Hebrew University, and continued his studies at the University of Zurich where he earned his lic. oec. He worked in Tel Aviv for a company in the metal industry, mainly dealing with the marketing of their products in Europe and since 1996 he has established an independent business, located in Jerusalem, supplying the Israeli aluminium industry with raw materials. For 10 years he has been a dedicated volunteer at *Paamonim*, an organization that helps families in economic distress balance their household finances. He represents and invests on behalf of the Strauss Family Foundation in Israel.