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THE SAL VAN – GELDER CENTER FOR HOLOCAUST INSTRUCTION & RESEARCH

WE ARE HONORED TO INVITE YOU TO PARTICIPATE AT A SPECIAL EVENT

## INTERFAITH DIALOGUE AND HIGHER EDUCATION – RELIGIOUS, NATIONAL AND IDEOLOGICAL PERSPECTIVES

THE EVENT WILL TAKE PLACE ON MONDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> OF MARCH 2018 BETWEEN 9:00 – 13:30  
WEISFELD HALL (BUILDING NO. 301), BAR-ILAN UNIVERSITY

### PROGRAM

- 9:00 10:00 Welcoming and Refreshments
- 10:00-10:20 Greetings:  
Chair: Prof. Zehavit Gross, Chairholder UNESCO-Burg Chair, Sal-Van Gelder Center  
Prof. Yossef Deutsch, Dean of Social Science Faculty, Bar Ilan University  
Mrs. Kollete Avital, Chaiman of the Center of Holocaust Survivors' organization  
His Excellency, H. E. Mr. Manuel Gómez-Acebo, Spanish Ambassador in Israel  
Dr. Kassem Darawsha, Chief Director, History Studies in the Arab and Bedouin  
Sectors, Pedagogic Board, Israel Ministry of Education
- 10:20-11:00** Chair: Prof. Dror Fixler, Director, Institute of Nanotechnology and Advanced Materials, Bar  
Ilan University  
Prof. Zehavit Gross, The Sal Van Gelder Center for Holocaust Instruction & Research  
[A LABORATORY FOR HOPE IN HIGHER EDUCATION: ARAB AND JEWISH STUDENTS AT  
BAR-ILAN UNIVERSITY IN ISRAEL NEGOTIATING CO-EXISTENCE AND PEACE](#)
- 11:00–11:30 CHAIR: Dr. JOEL RAPPEL, FOUNDER AND DIRECTOR OF THE ELIE WIESEL ARCHIVE  
Distinguished Address by Chief Rabbi of the State of Israel 1993-2003 and Chairman of Yad  
Vashem **Rabbi Yisrael Meir Lau** to celebrate the 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the State of Israel  
[FROM SHOA TO REDEMPTION: RELIGIOUS AND THEOLOGICAL PERSPECTIVES](#)
- 11:30-12:30 CHAIR: DR. TAMAR SAULI, VALENCIA UNIVERSITY  
Appraisal of a Christian – Jewish multicultural dialogue  
Main Lecture: His Excellency, Bishop ESTEBAN ESCUDERO TORRES,  
[THE CATHOLIC CHURCH AND THE HOLOCAUST – INTERRELIGIOUS PERSPECTIVES](#)  
Respondent: Rabbi Shabtai Rappaport, Higher Torah Institute, Bar-Ilan University