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2016 Achievements



Exposed NGO
ties to terror
groups

Dutch Parliament
passes resolution
proclaiming it will not
fund BDS



Hosted influential conferences at the UN and Knesset to mark
the 15th anniversary of the infamous Durban Conference



Briefed
legislators in
Congress and
Parliaments
across the globe

Solidified our work in the U.S. and Canada with the expansion of our North America Research Desk

NGOs and funding are now a top priority on the Israeli government's agenda

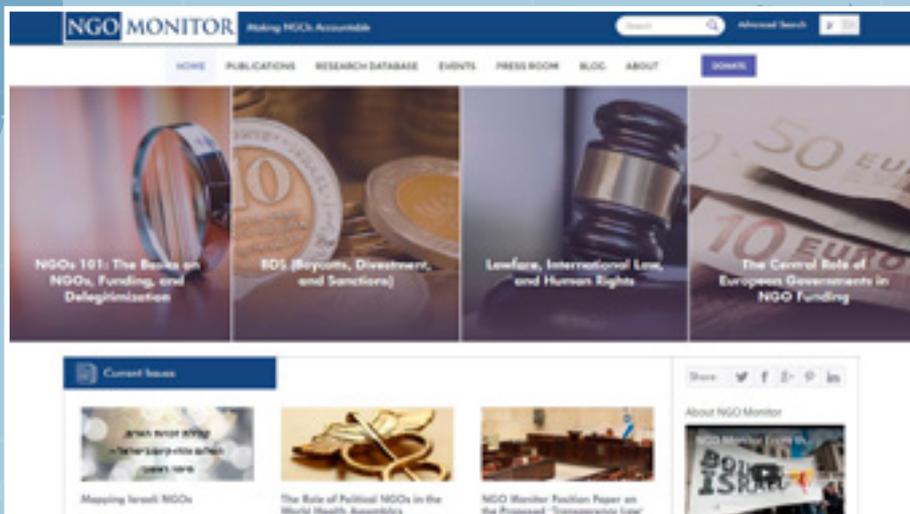


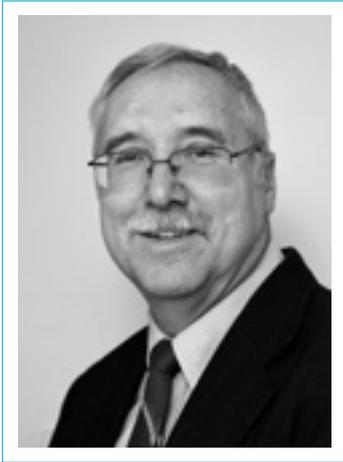
THE WEEKEND AUSTRALIAN
Hidden World Vision aid funds fuel claims former exec funnelled money to Hamas

Documented World Vision's inconsistent financial reporting following allegations that an employee channeled millions to Hamas

European governments investigate their funding to NGOs that promote BDS and antisemitism

Launched our new user friendly website





LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Prof. Gerald Steinberg

Dear friends,

In the fifteen years since I founded NGO Monitor in the wake of the antisemitic UN Durban Conference, I have seen it grow into an influential and impactful research institute. Our issues resonate among legislators, including members of Knesset, journalists, diplomats, and government officials who are fundamental to the non-governmental organization (NGO) funding process.

Throughout 2016, our carefully documented and fact-based research paved the way for important action against anti-Israel NGOs, and led to funding cuts across Europe and North America. Our systematic reports are widely recognized as the most credible sources for detailed and accurate information on anti-Israel BDS (boycott, divestment, and sanctions), lawfare, and demonization campaigns.

In the Netherlands, Switzerland, and Britain, NGO Monitor briefings contributed centrally to game-changing reviews of state funding,

adding to our previous successes in other countries. We have also educated decision makers in the European Union, Sweden, Switzerland, Denmark, Finland, and Spain. In the U.S. and Canada, NGO Monitor research was central in issues related to opposing BDS campaigns. As part of this mandate, we presented to Congress an updated report on US funding to NGOs active in the Arab-Israeli conflict. The findings and implications were discussed with a number of congressmen and their staffs.

We also exposed the links between NGOs and terror organizations. When the head of World Vision's Gaza operations was arrested in Israel for allegedly transferring millions in humanitarian aid to Hamas, our research, showing the high risk of aid diversion in Gaza, was widely quoted. We provided decision-makers with detailed evidence of confusion and incoherence in World Vision's financial documents. This dimension was central in the media coverage of this issue in



Prof. Gerald Steinberg speaks at an event in Palo Alto, February 2016.

Australia, one of World Vision's core government donors.

NGO Monitor's impact also continues to expand within Israel, and our research is central to the vibrant debate about the role of funding for political NGOs. The Israeli government and Knesset have taken up the mantle of combatting BDS, and our voice is essential in ensuring that the debate is based on accurate information. In the Knesset, an increasing number of MKs from across the political spectrum now rely on our research in deciding how to best confront the challenges posed by civil society and foreign funding.

This brings us full-circle in terms of the genesis of NGO Monitor. In June and September, we hosted events in the Knesset and the UN in Geneva, respectively, marking 15 years since the infamous Durban conference. In the Knesset, we brought together MKs from across the political spectrum, diplomats, and

journalists to address the lasting impact of the conference and a path to move forward. At the UN – with our guests Ambassador Aviva Raz Shechter, David Harris from the American Jewish Congress, and Prof. Alan Dershowitz – we held a public symposium under the headline "Restoring the Universality of Human Rights."

This year's results and their impact will have lasting effects towards restoring the universality of these moral principles. With your help, NGO Monitor will continue to challenge the "halo effect" that protects NGOs that claim to promote human rights and exploit these principles as weapons against Israel.

Thank you for your support of NGO Monitor.

Warmest Regards,

Gerald Steinberg

NGO Monitor's 2015 book *Filling in the Blanks* specifically highlights the risk of aid diversion from World Vision and UNDP to Hamas.

i. NGOs that Recognize the Dilemmas of Humanitarian Action

World Vision, a Christian aid group that is involved in the implementation of agricultural and educational aid projects in Gaza, refers to the "humanitarian imperative" as a basis for its operations.³⁶⁶ Still, some of World Vision's staff are cognizant of the dangers and limits of this view, and have openly admitted to making compromises with militaries and armed groups. The following is from a World Vision report titled "Principled Pragmatism," which addresses the issues of neutrality and the humanitarian imperative:

Filling in the Blanks, Page 66, emphasis added.

In 2010, the UNDP published a plan detailing its administrative intentions for Gaza aid projects. Although the report does not refer to Hamas explicitly, it clearly describes extensive cooperation with "Gaza local authorities." This would make Hamas an official partner in the aid implementation process and cast doubt on UNDP's ability to ensure that no aid will be diverted to enhance Hamas' offensive capabilities.³⁷⁷

Filling in the Blanks, Page 61, emphasis added.

Donors to PFLP-affiliated NGOs include the EU, Sweden, Denmark, Spain, Norway, Ireland, UK, the Netherlands, Germany, Belgium, France, Switzerland, and the United Nations.

Our experts were featured in a prime time news segment on Israel's Channel 1 network, talking about this important research.

We also learned that our warnings about aid diversion, featured in our book on the 2014 Gaza conflict (*Filling in the Blanks*), were unheeded by international organizations. In that publication, we analyzed the various NGOs and UN agencies operating in Gaza, and identified World Vision and the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) as susceptible to exploitation by terrorist groups.

In August, the Israeli Security Agency (Shin Bet) arrested Mohammad El-Halabi, the manager of Gaza operations for World Vision, for allegedly diverting approximately 60% of World Vision's Gaza budget to Hamas to build tunnels and fund other terrorist activity. The siphoned funds amount to approximately \$50 million. Similar accusations were leveled against Waheed Borsh, a UNDP aid worker.

Following the Shin Bet's investigation into World Vision, NGO Monitor played an integral role in informing the media, members of parliaments, and decision makers on these issues. Prof. Steinberg published an op-ed in the *Wall Street Journal*, "The Palestinian Charity Trap," stressing the need to create a more transparent system in which the money and aid in conflict regions are better monitored.

NGO Monitor also held a joint press briefing with Member of Australian Parliament Michael Danby at the Jerusalem Press Club. MP Danby discussed the Australian government's decision to halt funding to World Vision until further investigation into the accusations. See below.



NGO Monitor Israel Desk Director Itai Reuveni is interviewed on Channel 1 News explaining NGO connections to the PFLP, November 14, 2016.



Terrorists Posing As Aid Workers? Israel Says U.N. Staffer Colluded With Hamas

Rick Goodenough | August 10, 2016

"NGO Monitor... said it has long warned that 'humanitarian efforts in warzones are inherently susceptible to extortion and theft by violent actors, including terrorist organizations."

The Gazette

World Vision 'shocked' by allegations its Gaza operative funneled money to Hamas

Michele Chabin | August 4, 2016

"Cash-strapped Hamas 'couldn't build those terror tunnels and run its operations without funding from foreign humanitarian aid organizations,' Steinberg said."





Switzerland and the Netherlands Investigate Funding to the IHL Secretariat

The Human Rights and International Humanitarian Law (IHL) Secretariat, a joint funding mechanism comprising Denmark, Sweden, Switzerland, and the Netherlands, supports numerous NGOs that lead BDS campaigns against Israel. Throughout 2016, NGO Monitor experts traveled to each of these countries, presenting NGO Monitor research and meeting with members of government at the highest level.

THE JERUSALEM POST

Report finds Norwegian government funds organization supporting BDS campaigns

August 29, 2016

"The Norwegian government has been contributing to an organization that funds NGOs active in promoting anti-Israel boycotts, the watchdog organization NGO Monitor reported Monday."

ISRAEL HAYOM

The Knights of the BDS Order

Lena Bakman | August 31, 2016

"Contrary to funding that is transferred from European taxpayers to various projects, to advance peace and nonviolence, for example, this time these funds facilitate the activities of anti-Israel groups."

As a result of our tireless efforts, both the Netherlands and Switzerland have reconsidered their funding to the IHL Secretariat.

Our success began in March, when NGO Monitor researcher Shaun Sacks briefed Dutch MPs in The Hague on government funding to NGOs active in the Arab-Israeli conflict, focusing on funding to the Human Rights and IHL Secretariat. Following this visit, Dutch MPs raised questions to the Dutch Foreign Minister on funding to NGOs that support BDS and the Israeli NGO Breaking the Silence.

Following these questions, the Dutch Parliament passed a resolution that called to halt funding for NGOs supporting BDS. Likewise, in response to a November evaluation of funding to Palestinian instruments, the Dutch government officially stated that its €3 million towards NGOs “does not fund activities that promote BDS against Israel.”

In Switzerland, we continued to see results after NGO Monitor traveled there in March to brief a group of Swiss Members of Parliament on government funding, again focusing on the IHL Secretariat. Following this meeting, NGO Monitor met Swiss Parliament Members in a series of one-on-one meetings during their visit to Israel.

The Swiss newspaper, Basler Zeitung, subsequently published several cover page stories on Swiss funding to NGOs active in the Arab-Israeli conflict, publicly revealing for the first time all details regarding the countries funding the IHL Secretariat and the activities of NGO grantees. This pressure paved the way for the Swiss Parliament to schedule a vote to defund all NGOs that promote racism, antisemitism, hate speech, and BDS.

THE JERUSALEM POST

Swiss Parliament Launches Inquiry into anti-Israel NGOs

Benjamin Weinthal | May 24, 2016

“The detailed and unprecedented article... reflects the concerns of many MPs in Switzerland, who were surprised to learn of the very negative and counterproductive impact of their government’s funding for radical anti-peace NGOs,” Steinberg stated.”



From left to right: Henri Krooneman, Policy advisor (SGP); Shaun Sacks, NGO Monitor; MP Kees van der Staaij (SGP); MP Joël Voordewind (CU); Wim Kortenoeven (former MP PVV); and Joël Serpho, Policy Advisor to MP Han ten Broeke (VVD) at The Hague in March 2016.



Prof. Steinberg and Europe Desk Director Olga Deutsch meet with Swiss Members of Parliament in Switzerland, May 2016.



The Israeli Government Acts

NGO Monitor's continuously updated reports provided Israeli government officials with the details of European government funding to NGOs supporting BDS, lawfare, and antisemitism. In 2016, as a result of our research, the Israeli government gave this issue top priority.

Over the year, many responses were formulated at all levels of the Israeli government. NGO Monitor emphasized the importance of fact-based assessments and effective solutions. Our guidelines became the basis of the discussion and were actively promoted by Members of Knesset in meetings with European officials.

In June, the Knesset passed a law requiring NGOs receiving 50% or more of its operating budget from foreign governments to publicly state their funding in meetings with government officials. This was one of the most hotly debated bills in the Knesset this year. NGO Monitor was a significant voice in this debate, pressing for dialogue with European governments based on mutually agreed-upon guidelines. Our research was quoted in Israeli and International news outlets.



Prof. Steinberg and NGO Monitor Board Member Prof. Avi Bell address the Knesset on the NGO Transparency Bill, June 1, 2016.

In addition to our NGO foreign funding guidelines, NGO Monitor researchers identified the problem of political activists exploiting humanitarian visas. In a letter sent to Prime Minister Netanyahu, we highlighted the BDS campaigns led by the American Friends Service Committee (AFSC), whose employees are recognized by the government as humanitarian aid workers. This special status was being used to allow anti-Israel groups that promote BDS to en-

ter the country. Our letter informed the government of this issue, leading Minister of Strategic Affairs Gilad Erdan to review the visas provided to political activists that campaign against Israel.

Following this, NGO Monitor also published **a report** on the World Council of Churches' Ecumenical Accompaniment Programme in Palestine- Israel (EAPPI), which brings international volunteers to the West Bank "to experience life under occupation," often instigating confrontations with Israeli civilians and soldiers in the West Bank.

This report exposed EAPPI's continuous demonization of Israel, including claims of "apartheid" and "war crimes," as well as accusing Israel of confiscating Palestinian land and dividing the West Bank. Additionally, the organization refers to the security barrier, which has reduced Israeli civilian deaths from terrorism, as "evil."



EAPPI activist confronts Israeli soldiers (Source: DMU Facebook page).



חוק העמותות: הזדמנות לשיפור היחסים עם אירופה

פרופ' ג'ראלד שטיינברג | July 7, 2016

"השבוע הכנסת אישרה בקריאה שנייה ושלישית את התיקון לחוק העמותות המטיל חובת דיווח ושקיפות על ארגונים לא-ממשלתיים המקבלים למעלמה מ-50% מימון ממשלתי זה. אולם לחקיקה אין מענה לסוגיית המימון עבור ארגונים פוליטיים בישראל ואין היא יכולה להשפיע על מימון אירופי לארגונים פלסטינים שמובילים לוחמה משפטית וחרמות."

Prof. Gerald Steinberg's op-ed discusses the NGO Transparency Bill and NGO Monitor's funding guidelines.



Marking 15 Years since Durban

2016 was the 15th anniversary of the infamous UN World Conference against Racism in Durban, South Africa. This conference launched the NGO-led anti-Israel campaigns around the globe, including BDS and lawfare.



Left to right: EU Ambassador Lars Faaborg-Anderson, NGO Monitor President Prof. Gerald Steinberg, MK Dr. Nachman Shai (Zionist Camp), Minister Gilad Erdan (Likud), and MK Isaac Herzog (Zionist Camp) at NGO Monitor's Knesset conference, June 20, 2016.

To mark these 15 years and the NGO delegitimization and BDS campaigns that emerged from the conference, NGO Monitor hosted two major events – one at the Israeli Knesset and one at the United Nations, in Geneva, Switzerland.

In Israel and in Geneva, NGO Monitor brought together diverse groups from across the political spectrum. The two high profile conferences created discourse between leaders from around the world who are working to combat demonization and BDS campaigns against Israel.

On June 20, NGO Monitor co-hosted an event with MK Dr. Nachman Shai (Zionist Union) in the Knesset. The event highlighted the impact of the Durban conference in the delegitimization process, including detailed discussion of strategies and best practices for documenting and combating this form of political warfare.

Knesset members, foreign diplomats, and journalists from across the political spectrum participated in the event. Speakers included MK Gilad Erdan (Minister of Internal Security, Strategic Affairs, and Public Diplomacy); H.E. Lars Faaborg Anderson (Is-

rael Ambassador to the European Union); H.E. Vivian Bercovici (former Canadian Ambassador to Israel); MK Isaac Herzog (Leader of the Opposition); MK Tzipi Livni; MK Dr. Michael Oren (former Israeli Ambassador to the U.S.); MK Dr. Anat Berko; Rabbi Michael Melchior (former Minister of Social & Diaspora Affairs); Mr. Dan Gillerman (former Israeli Permanent Representative to the United Nations); Mr. Arad Nir (Channel 2 News journalist); and Mr. Peleg Reshef (Director of WUJS during the 2001 Durban Conference).

Our 15th anniversary campaign continued on September 26, when NGO Monitor hosted a conference at the United Nations in Geneva discussing “15 Years since Durban: Restoring the Universality of Human Rights.” Participants included Amb. Aviva Raz-Schechter, the Israeli Ambassador to the UN in Geneva; Prof. Gerald Steinberg, President of NGO Monitor; Mr. David Harris, CEO of the American Jewish Committee; Prof. Alan Dershowitz, Prof. Emeritus at Harvard Law School; Hon. Michael Danby MP, Member of the Australian Parliament; Mr. Hillel Neuer Executive, Director of UN Watch; and Mr. Roy Brown, Former President and UN Representative of the International Humanist and Ethical Union - IHEU.



NGO Monitor Legal Advisor Anne Herzberg, Israeli Ambassador to the UN Aviva Raz Shechter, Australian MP Michael Danby, AJC CEO David Harris, NGO Monitor President Gerald Steinberg, and IHEU UN Representative Roy Brown at NGO Monitor’s UN event, September 26, 2016.



Europe

NGO Monitor has documented over \$120 million in annual funding from European governments to Palestinian, Israeli, and international NGOs that are involved in anti-Israel campaigns under the façade of human rights, peace, and capacity building.

In 2016, NGO Monitor's Europe Desk had broad impact in a number of European countries. We continued to implement our "domino strategy," working with individual European governments to review and end their funding to problematic NGOs, thereby setting a precedent and leading other European governments to follow suit.

NGO Monitor's efforts have led governments across Europe to begin questioning their funding to NGOs active in the Arab-Israeli conflict.

The Netherlands

In March, NGO Monitor briefed Dutch Parliamentarians in The Hague on government funding to NGOs active in the Arab-Israeli conflict, specifically via the IHL Secretariat. Following this, Dutch MPs raised questions to the Dutch Foreign Minister on funding to the IHL Secretariat and to the Israeli NGO Breaking the Silence. In June, the Dutch Parliament passed a motion to halt funding to NGOs that support BDS, especially via the IHL Secretariat.

Following this, in November, MP Kees Van der Staal (SGP) addressed the Dutch Parliament Budget of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, stating that the government must stop supporting organizations that promote BDS against Israel as it is not a policy that promotes peace.

Switzerland

In March, an NGO Monitor delegation briefed a group of Swiss Members of Parliament on government funding to NGOs active in the Arab-Israeli conflict. Following this, in April, NGO Monitor met with a delegation of Swiss Members of Parliament and held one-on-one meetings with them during their visit to Israel.

In May, the Swiss newspaper Basler Zeitung published several cover page stories on Swiss funding to NGOs active in the Arab-Israeli conflict and, for the first time, publicly revealed all details regarding the IHL Secretariat. In June, a motion was raised in the Swiss Parliament to defund all NGOs that promote racism, antisemitism, hate speech,

and BDS. Then, in October, NGO Monitor held additional one-on-one meetings with a number of Swiss MPs who signed the motion. The motion will be voted on in the upcoming winter session.

NGO Monitor also participated in a meeting with the head of the Middle East Division at the Swiss Ministry of Foreign Affairs, who informed us that their department commissioned an internal evaluation of the Swiss contract with the IHL Secretariat. The Swiss Parliament is set to vote on the motion in its upcoming winter session in December.



Shaun Sacks at the Swiss parliament following meetings about NGO funding practices with senior officials at the Swiss Agency for development and the Swiss Ministry of Foreign Affairs, October 2016.

Germany

In February, NGO Monitor completed [a new report](#) on German church aid organizations' funding to politicized NGOs. The report was presented to leading officials at the German Protestant aid organization Brot fuer die Welt, along with an invitation to engage in a dialogue. We still await an official response to this invitation.

In June, NGO Monitor published [a report](#) on German federal funding mechanisms, which was presented at the 4th German Israel Congress held in Frankfurt. Prof. Steinberg and NGO Monitor Europe Desk Director Olga Deutsch both spoke at the Congress, a biannual conference with 3,000 participants.

In November, Olga Deutsch met a delegation from NAFFO (Nahost Friedensforum e.V. - Middle East Peace Forum), which consisted of members of the Bundestag and NAFFO board members. They discussed German funding to NGOs with terror ties, as well as potential ways to address the issue.



Olga Deutsch addresses the German-Israel Congress in Germany, June 19, 2016.



Olga Deutsch meets with NAFFO board members and members of the Bundestag at NGO Monitor offices, November 2, 2016.

Norway

In April, Olga Deutsch presented to over 300 Norwegian MPs, government ministers, and activists at the Med Israel for Fred Conference.

Olga held meetings with high level officials in the Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and NORAD (Norwegian Aid) and briefed them on Norwegian funding to politicized NGOs. Olga also met with parliamentarians and members of the Norwegian Israel Parliamentary Friendship Group.



Olga Deutsch presents NGO Monitor's research at the Med Israel for Fred Conference in Norway, April 2016.



Olga Deutsch presents NGO Monitor research at the Norwegian Parliament, April 2016.

United Kingdom

In May, NGO Monitor briefed MPs from both major parties in the British Parliament and presented NGO Monitor research regarding UK funding for NGOs active in the Arab-Israeli conflict.



Left to right: Douglas Murray, Baroness Ruth Deech, and Prof. Steinberg address UK funding for NGOs in the British Parliament, May 19, 2016.

Following these briefings and presentations, during a debate in the House of Commons on British Aid, NGO Monitor research was quoted a number of times:



Yona Schiffmiller speaks to a group of medical professionals on NGO malpractice at University College in London, May 18, 2016.

lbdā'a cultural centre, which will receive £5,602 from DFID this year. Last year, it hosted an exhibition to honour martyrs, including Mohanad Al Halabi, who killed one and injured eleven. We must be careful about where our money is going and always be prepared to review."

MP Sir Eric Pickles noted, "Surely it is not unreasonable to say that if people are to receive money from the British Government, they should unequivocally renounce violence in all its forms and work for a two-state solution."

In December, NGO Monitor's Shaun Sacks spoke at Limmud UK in Birmingham on UK funding to political NGOs active in the Arab-Israeli conflict.



NGO Monitor's Shaun Sacks and Itai Reuveni with Finland's Director of the Middle East Section at the Finnish Ministry of Foreign Affairs, June 2016.

MP Dr. Matthew Offord explained, "NGO Monitor has also said that 'a significant proportion of the NGOs receiving British funds promote the Palestinian political narrative, focusing only on allegations of Israeli human rights violations.'"

In addition, MP Andrew Percy cited NGO Monitor research stating, "I also want to mention NGO funding, particularly the

Finland

In April, NGO Monitor participated in a seminar organized by the Israeli Embassy in Finland. NGO Monitor also met with Finnish MPs, as well as officials from the Finnish Ministry of Foreign Affairs.



Shaun Sacks presents NGO Monitor research to Members of the Finnish Parliament, April 5, 2016.

European Union

In January, NGO Monitor spoke at an ECR (Conservative Party) panel on antisemitism and presented information on EU funding to NGOs that use antisemitic imagery and language. NGO Monitor additionally presented our research at the European People's Party's Euromed Working Group.



Prof. Steinberg addresses the European Parliament, January 19, 2016.



NGO Monitor EU Affairs Liaison Gilad Segal presents NGO Monitor research at a panel in the European Parliament, June 15, 2016.

Over the course of the year, NGO Monitor issued a comprehensive, two-part report, titled **“Value for Money,”** that analyzes EU funding mechanisms, structural discrepancies, and inconsistencies with official policies.

Following the publication of this report, in June, NGO Monitor spoke at a panel in the European Parliament hosted by two MEPs, on “Value for Money? EU Funding as a Foreign Affairs Instrument.” Following this, in September, Olga Deutsch held a series of meetings at the European Parliament and with other relevant organizations in Brussels.





Israel

NGO Monitor's Israel Desk is the country's leading source of information on Israeli and Palestinian NGOs. Our researchers are regularly approached with requests by Knesset Members, reporters, government officials, journalists, and researchers from across the political spectrum for information on all issues related to funding, BDS, lawfare, and other delegitimization campaigns.

In 2016, the Israel Desk was instrumental in developing and promoting various public campaigns in partnership with other Israeli civil society organizations. The Israel Desk has also provided journalists with exclusive information that has served as the basis for exposés, most prominently on "Who Profits," a leading NGO in the BDS campaign.

In addition, the Israel Desk expanded our public speaking events in Israel, the UK, Ireland, and Finland, holding more than a dozen lectures on BDS, lawfare, and the global delegitimization campaign against Israel. Our research has reached NATO officials, senior figures in the Israeli business and industrial sectors, U.S. and Canadian armed forces, pro-Israel activists, student groups, and more.

A particularly significant event took place in September, when NGO Monitor researcher Itai Reuveni participated in the Youth Mediterranean Dialogue in Madrid, organized by NATO and the Youth Atlantic Treaty Association in Spain. Young representatives from 30 countries participated in the conference discussing various challenges faced by NATO and its partners. One topic of focus was the balance between Europe's security threats and human rights and humanitarian aid, an issue at the core of our work.



Itai Reuveni speaks to Irish 4 Israel in Ireland on June 13, 2016.

ISRAEL HAYOM

Who Profits? BDS

Nadav Shragai | April 15, 2016

"This week, the organization NGO Monitor issued a comprehensive report on Who Profits, in which the group was described as 'spearheading global BDS.'"

At the conclusion of the conference, Itai received an Honorable Mention award by the committee that dealt with the refugee crisis and the challenges faced as a result of terrorism.

NGO Monitor also participated in the Balkan SAYS conference, a NATO security conference in Slovenia. In addition to giving a lecture at the conference, Itai Reuveni was chosen to moderate and present on the results discussed in the committee on issues related to radicalism and extremism.



Itai Reuveni receives Honorable Mention award at the Youth Mediterranean Dialogue Conference in Madrid.



NGO Monitor Israel Desk Director Josh Bacon is interviewed on IBA news about NGO Monitor's report on NGO ties to the PFLP terror group, November 15, 2016.

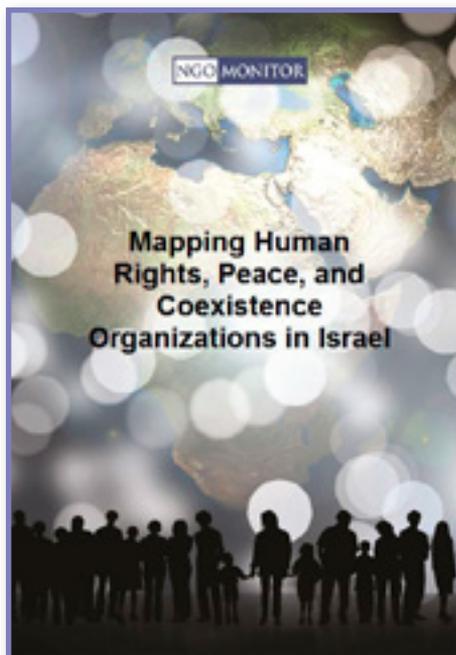
NGO Monitor's Israel Desk has also served as a synergetic force within Israeli civil society, facilitating cooperation between various groups and the Israeli government. For example, in conjunction with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, NGO Monitor initiated an introductory seminar for pro-Israel groups hosted by the MFA.

Groundbreaking Research

In January 2016, after six months of in-depth research and analysis, NGO Monitor published **a report** detailing the private and government funding for 27 politicized Israeli NGOs. This report received broad coverage, and has educated the debate on foreign funding in Israel. Among the key findings is the revelation that approximately 65% of funding for these groups originates from governments, while 35% is from various private donors. Additionally, some NGOs receive more than 90% of their budget from governments. Furthermore, 19% of the funding originates from churches and other Christian groups, many of which are themselves leaders of BDS and other anti-Israel campaigns.

In June, the Israel Desk published **an updated report** detailing the myths and facts related to the anti-Israel "water campaign." Our report was used by activists in Israel and abroad to debunk the accusations that Israel "steals water from the Palestinians" or

that it “cuts off water to Palestinian communities,” which have recently resurfaced with claims by Breaking the Silence and Mahmoud Abbas’s blood libel regarding “rabbi poisoning Palestinian water sources.”



NGO Monitor’s Mapping Report, published in June 2016.

Our largest research project to date, completed in June, maps the entire Israeli non-profit community – 40,000 NGOs – and determines the size, scope, and power of groups operating in the fields of human rights, humanitarian aid, peace, and coexistence. We found that 398 groups are involved in the aforementioned activities, out of which 114 NGOs reported foreign donations. Breaking down the funding, we discovered that over half of the total foreign funding goes to just 27 politicized NGOs.

In August, the Israel Desk published a report on the Ecumenical Accompaniment Programme in Palestine and Israel (EAPPI), an NGO that “brings international activists to the West Bank through the ruse of tourist visas.” These activists then return to their communities, and have a leading role in BDS efforts in churches worldwide, using demonizing and, at times, even antisemitic rhetoric. Our report led to a public debate and outcry, pushing the Israeli government to reassess its policy towards these activists. The Israeli government has now created a joint task force made up of two government ministries to deal with the issue of allowing foreign BDS activists to enter to Israel on tourist visas.

ISRAEL HAYOM

Pro-BDS groups in Israel receive foreign funding, report finds

Yair Altman | July 4, 2016

“NGO Monitor noted that the amount of money donated between 2012 and 2014 by foreign entities and governments to Israeli-based NGOs was most likely higher than the estimated \$26 million, as most of the groups failed to properly report foreign funding.”



Prof. Steinberg presents NGO Monitor research on EAPPI at the Menachem Begin Heritage Center on June 13, 2016.

Government Cooperation

NGO Monitor continues to closely cooperate with the Ministry of Strategic Affairs and Public Diplomacy, as well as with the Ministry of Justice and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. These ministries' staff reaches out to materials on NGOs and European funding. These ministries' staff reaches out to NGO Monitor for materials on NGOs and European government funding. For example, after presenting our foreign funding guidelines to MK Yair Lapid (chairman of Yesh Atid), he introduced our guidelines to 27 European Ambassadors.

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חוק העמותות: הזדמנות לשיפור היחסים עם אירופה

פרופ' ג'ראלד שטיינברג | July 7, 2016

"לגישת הידברות פרלמנטרית המאמצת קווים מנחים למימון, יתרונות רבים. במסגרתה יהיה ניתן לפתח דיאלוג מול כל מדינה על מקרים ספציפיים של מימון לארגונים המקדמים אג'נדה אנטי-ישראלית קיצונית, בניגוד למדיניות המוצהרת של המדינות התורמות."

Prof Steinberg explains a parliamentary dialogue approach and stresses the need for government funding guidelines.





North America

In 2016, NGO Monitor launched a new initiative to establish and set in place guidelines to reduce funding for organizations that support BDS and demonization campaigns in the US and Canada, and to “name and shame” BDS funders. These aims were pursued by developing relationships with lawmakers and government officials in both countries, conducting research into the funding sources for BDS organizations and initiatives, as well as working with local partners to exert effective pressure – publicly or privately – on BDS funders to end their support.

In 2016, the North America Desk excelled in strengthening relationships with government officials and increasing our research on BDS groups in North America. We also exposed U.S. government funding for NGOs that support anti-Israel campaigns.

U.S. Government



Anne Herzberg and Naftali Balanson present NGO Monitor research in Congress, June 2016.

In June, NGO Monitor held briefings for U.S. Senators, Representatives, and their staffs, and presented them with NGO Monitor’s research into U.S. funding for Israeli and Palestinian NGOs, including for groups involved in anti-Israel BDS campaigns. As a result of these meetings, NGO Monitor has begun collaboration with multiple congressional offices on initiatives pertaining to improving due diligence in federal grant-making mechanisms in order to prevent funding to BDS organizations.



Prof. Steinberg meets with a group of U.S. Congressmen in Jerusalem, January 2016.

Campuses

NGO Monitor’s North America Desk discovered that Milbank LLP was listed as a sponsor at a Harvard Students for Justice in Palestine

(SJP) event. NGO Monitor then inquired into Milbank's support for this event. Milbank responded to NGO Monitor clarifying the nature of its relationship with Harvard Law School, making it clear that the funding it provides for student activities through the Milbank Tweed Student Conference Fund is administered by the Dean of Students, and Milbank does not approve specific events.

Additionally, according to the response, HLS-JP was required to remove the reference to Milbank's sponsorship from the webpage promoting the event, to correct the "false impression that Milbank endorsed the views expressed by group [sic]."



Yona Schiffmiller addresses the Knesset on BDS on North American Campuses, August, 16 2016.

On February 16, 2016, HLS-JP published a letter to the editor of the Harvard Law Record, claiming that as a result of the controversy surrounding their October 2015 event, Milbank requested that HLS-JP not be allowed to access the Milbank Tweed Student Conference Fund. According to HLS-JP, the Dean of Students rejected this request, leading Milbank to pull its estimated \$250,000 in funding for student activities altogether.

As recognized experts on BDS on campus, in April NGO Monitor consulted on and appeared in a Channel 10 mini-series about BDS activity in the United States.

In October, NGO Monitor identified a grant from the Rockefeller Brothers Fund (RBF) – a leading financial backer of groups like Jewish Voice for Peace (JVP) that promote extreme anti-Israel views and BDS on college campuses – to conduct research on campus antisemitism. NGO Monitor drew attention to the grant and to the apparent RBF whitewash effort to hide its leading role in funding grantees responsible for driving the rise in antisemitic incidents on campuses around the country.

The Harvard Crimson

The Harvard Crimson

Corporate Firm Discontinues Law Student Funding Amidst Controversy

Harvard Crimson Editorial Board | February 22, 2016

"After receiving complaints from pro-Israel watchdog organization NGO Monitor, however, Milbank first disassociated itself from the event and ultimately decided to discontinue its funding for all student events at the Law School."

Private Funding

In May, NGO Monitor completed a report that identified over \$620,000 in contributions to the BDS group Jewish Voice for Peace (JVP), provided by a host of private funds and foundations. This is the first step in a series of reports designed to map financial support for BDS in North America.

Canada

In June, NGO Monitor participated in consultations with the Canadian government highlighting Canadian foreign funding priorities and practices. NGO Monitor advised Parliament on methods to improve Canadian foreign funding processes and will continue to work with MPs and government officials on this issue.

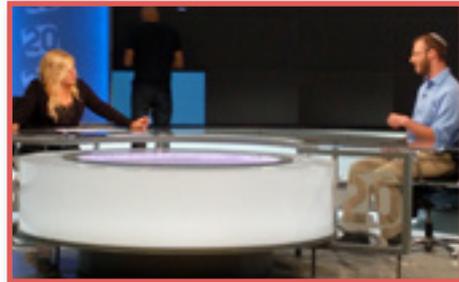
NGO Monitor has begun significant research to map financial support for BDS and other anti-Israel activities in Canada, including organizations active on Canadian campuses.

Media

In a July op-ed in *The Forward*, Yona Schiffmiller explained how Doctors Without Borders inappropriately promotes a one-sided position on issues relating to the Arab-Israeli conflict, promoting an antisemitic and anti-Israel narrative.



NGO Monitor on a Channel 10 mini-series about BDS on U.S. campuses.



Yona Schiffmiller discusses BDS on North American Campuses on Channel 20, August 2016.

DAILY NEWS

Promoting peace or assaulting Israel? The Rockefeller Brothers Fund supports groups that encourage or participate in the BDS movement

Ziva Dahl | March 27, 2016

“Responding to questioning by NGO Monitor, RBF’s president, Stephen Heintz, and the director of its Peacebuilding Program, Ariadne Papagapitos, denied any conflict between RBF’s stated mission and its funding of groups that assault Israel’s right to exist.”



Lawfare

Lawfare is the exploitation of courts in democratic countries in order to harass Israeli officials with civil lawsuits and criminal investigations for “war crimes,” “crimes against humanity,” and other alleged violations of international law. While NGOs claim these cases are about obtaining “justice” for Palestinian victims, they are actually part of the larger political warfare campaign that seeks to demonize and delegitimize Israel in the international arena.

2016 marked a year of unprecedented impact on combating lawfare campaigns against Israel. From submissions to the UN to presentations at the United Nations Human Rights Council (UNHRC), NGO Monitor brought the issue of lawfare to the forefront of the debate.

Submissions to the United Nations

NGO Monitor filed two written submissions for the March 2016 Human Rights Council session.

NGO Monitor filed [a submission](#) with the UN’s Committee Against Torture (CAT) in advance of its review of Israel. The submission highlighted the lack of credibility of NGO reporting on the issue of torture as well as double standards applied by both NGOs and the Committee in relation to Israel’s review. When the CAT issued its report in April, NGO Monitor published an analysis of the committee process and its recommendations, and also published an op-ed in the LA Jewish Journal.

In May, NGO Monitor wrote a letter to the UN’s High Commissioner for Human Rights and the President of the Human Rights Council (HRC) condemning the campaign by NGOs to have members of the discriminatory BDS movement labeled as “human rights defenders.” NGO Monitor also filed a submission echoing these themes for the June HRC session.

NGO Monitor also filed two written submissions to the September 2016 UN Human Rights Council session. One submission exposed Norway joining the IHL Secretariat, which funds organizations promoting BDS campaigns and antisemitism. The second submission addressed the need for increased government oversight in their funding to NGOs to prevent aid diversion to terror groups.

Presentations

The Amuta for NGO Responsibility, NGO Monitor's parent entity, hosted Kay Wilson, a survivor of a brutal terrorist attack in the Jerusalem forest in December 2010, at the March 2016 HRC Session. Wilson gave a moving speech about her harrowing experience of being held hostage and attacked with machetes by two terrorists while hiking in the

Jerusalem forest. Tragically, Wilson's friend Kristine Luken was murdered in the attack, while Wilson obtained severe wounds to her body. In her speech, she called on the international community to demand an end to Palestinian terror and incitement.

Following this, in September 2016, Prof. Steinberg addressed the UNHRC where he stressed the NGO anti-Israel bias at the Council. Australian Member of Parliament and NGO Monitor International Advisory Board Member Michael Danby also spoke at the UNHRC on the UN's anti-Israel bias and on the issue of aid diversion in Gaza.

Additionally, at a conference at the UN in New York in May, NGO Monitor's Legal Advisor, Anne Herzberg, addressed legal strategies in combating the BDS movement.

NGO Monitor also gave presentations on lawfare campaigns against Israel in academic forums. In April 2016, Prof. Steinberg and Anne Herzberg presented at Indiana University Institute for Contemporary Antisemitism's International Conference on Anti-Zionism, Antisemitism, and the Dynamics

of Delegitimization. Prof. Steinberg and Ms. Herzberg's presentation was titled "The Role of International Legal and Justice Discourse in Promoting the New Antisemitism."

In addition to presentations abroad, Prof. Steinberg and Anne Herzberg spoke at Hebrew University of Jerusalem's 11th Annual Minerva-ICRC International Conference on Contemporary Challenges in International Humanitarian Law, where they presented their academic paper on NGO fact finding.



Kay Wilson at the UN Human Rights Council, March 21, 2016.



Prof. Gerald Steinberg speaks at the UN Human Rights Council, September 26, 2016.

Also in Israel, NGO Monitor and Bar Ilan University hosted an event on “The Future of the International Criminal Court and Impacts for Israel: A Roundtable Discussion.” Panelists included Prof. Gerald Steinberg, Anne Herzberg, Prof. Eugene Kontorovich, Adv. Penina Sharvit, and Prof. Avi Bell. This event created an important discussion among experts on lawfare, Israel, and the ICC.

Publications

In May, NGO Monitor published an **in-depth report** on the UN’s Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA) and its role in funding and participating in lawfare activities, BDS, and other campaigns to demonize Israel. The report was accompanied by several op-eds and blog posts.

Following this, NGO Monitor published **an analysis** of Yesh Din’s and Human Rights Watch’s involvement in a special session of the Security Council organized by Venezuela and others to “discuss” Israel’s alleged violations of international law. NGO Monitor exposed the false claims and faulty statistics made by the NGO representatives at the meeting.

In response to the 69th World Health Assembly’s (held under the auspices of the World Health Organization) adoption of a decision condemning Israel, NGO Monitor published **an analysis** of NGO involvement at the World Health Assembly.

As part of our ongoing research on NGO fact-finding practices and methodologies, Anne Herzberg published **an analysis** of Amnesty International’s use of satellite technology for war crimes investigations.



Anne Herzberg speaks at the United Nations in New York on May 31, 2016.



Prof. Gerald Steinberg and Anne Herzberg at Indiana University, April 2016.



Prof. Steinberg and Olga Deutsch at the United Nations in Geneva, September 26, 2016.

Prof. Gerald Steinberg, Anne Herzberg, and Josh Bacon additionally published two academic papers, in INSS and the Israel Yearbook on Human Rights volume 46, "**NGOs and the Political-Legal Theater in Operation Protective Edge**" and "**Examining the NGO Security Discourse on Urban Warfare**" on NGO fact-finding, lack of professional reporting methodologies, and expertise on armed conflict.

THE JEWISH JOURNAL

UN Committee Against Torture Review: NGOs' Influential Role

Anne Herzberg | May 2, 2016

"Along with Israel, France, Turkey, Tunisia, Saudi Arabia, and the Philippines are up for review. Yet, with the exception of France (17 NGO submissions according to the CAT webpage), Israel was the country most discussed by NGOs."



Report: UN Office Coordinates Millions in Donations to Anti-Israel Groups

The Tower Staff | April 7, 2016

"A United Nations office has coordinated the donation of millions of dollars to NGOs that are highly critical of Israel, and has helped those groups disseminate their information, a new report by the watchdog group NGO Monitor has documented."



NGO Monitor researcher Rachel Hirshfeld discusses NGO Monitor's report on the UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs on ILTV, April 2016.





Communications

NGO Monitor continues to expend significant resources on increasing its media presence, to ensure that our research reaches the eyes and ears of decision makers around the world. This year, research appeared in media outlets in over 50 countries, and was featured in leading newspapers, TV networks, and radio newscasts around the globe. NGO Monitor also significantly enhanced its social media presence, increasing our number of followers on both Facebook and Twitter. These efforts have led to NGO Monitor experts being quoted in the media, allowing our issues to be at the forefront of the debate.

NGO Monitor's 2016 media effort focused on:

- Releasing up-to-date research and factsheets, such as our foreign government funding guidelines, research on aid diversion, and Soros funding documents.
- Publishing simple, shareable, and digestible information.
- Creating leading infographics for social media sites, making complicated funding networks easily understandable to all.
- Launching a new user-friendly website, with updated technology and full integration of social media.
- Increasing NGO Monitor's participation in events and conferences both in Israel and abroad.



Itai Reuveni is interviewed by Channel 1, April 2016.

Israeli Media:

Over the course of 2016, NGO Monitor increased our visibility in the Israeli media, including hundreds of significant appearances on TV networks such as Channel 10, Channel 20, IBA news, and i24 News. We were also featured in all leading Israeli newspapers including *Israel Hayom*, *Haartz*, *The Jerusalem Post*, *NRG*, *The Times of Israel*, *Ynet*, and more.

International Media:

Since NGO Monitor's research targets international funders and NGOs, it is imperative for our voice to be heard internationally. This year, our research appeared in the *New York Times*, *Associated Press*, *Wall Street Journal*, *Agence France Press*, *Reuters*, *The Washington Post*, and more. With over 1,000 appearances in newspapers around the globe, NGO Monitor has become the go-to source for journalists on issues related to BDS and anti-Israel NGOs.



Prof. Steinberg is interviewed on RTBF Info Radio in Brussels, January 2016.

Op-eds:

In addition to our research cited in leading media outlets in Israel and abroad, NGO Monitor experts routinely publish op-eds in leading news outlets, enabling the direct voice of the organization to be heard. Our op-eds have been translated into German, Arabic, Spanish, French, and Russian. Op-eds have further been shared by thousands on various social media sites.

Social media:

NGO Monitor's active social media platform grew exponentially in 2016. Our captivating infographics and lively posts engage with and inform the masses about our research. We reached over 9,000 followers on Twitter and 7,600 followers on Facebook.

Conferences:

NGO Monitor has participated in and hosted numerous events throughout 2016 in Israel and around the world. In addition to hosting two significant events in the Knesset and the United Nations marking 15 years since the Durban conference, NGO Monitor hosted events in Europe, Israel, and North America. NGO Monitor participated in the World Summit on Counter-Terrorism; Limmud Tel Aviv Conference; The UN International Summit to Confront Boycotts and Delegitimization; International Conference on

Online Antisemitism; Harvard Law School Conference on NGOs in Armed Conflict; European Allies Conference; Stand With Us Conference; Anti-Zionism, Antisemitism, and the Dynamics of Delegitimization: An International Scholar's Conference, Conference on BDS against Israel; the Third Jerusalem Philosophy, Political Science, and Economics Conference; and more.



Prof. Steinberg speaks to a packed room at the Oshman Family JCC in Palo Alto, California on "False Human Rights Campaigns that Demonize Israel", February 17, 2016.



Olga Deutsch addresses the German-Israeli Women's Association in Tel Aviv, Israel, October, 2016.



Prof. Steinberg speaks about BDS on a panel at the JCC Manhattan, New York, April 4, 2016.



Prof. Steinberg speaks to the Centre for Jewish Life in London, England, May 18, 2016.



Prof. Steinberg speaks to a group of students at UC Berkeley on "Human Rights, International Law and Politics in the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict: War by Other Means," February 15, 2016.



Itai Reuveni speaks about BDS on a panel at Hadassa College, Jerusalem, April 1, 2016.



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ONLINE STATISTICS FOR 2016



TWITTER

Over 9,000 followers and 19,000 tweets



ONLINE VIDEOS

Over 9,000 Videos of NGO Monitor



FACEBOOK

47% increase in Facebook likes



WEBSITE

An average of 67,000 visits to our website each month



GOOGLE

98,500 mentions of NGO Monitor in Google search engine



NEWSLETTER

Over 17,000 people receive our newsletters

The New York Times

Arrest of Leftist Israeli Activist Underlines Political Split

Isabel Kershner | January 22, 2016

"The split over the bill reflects the broader political divide. Gerald Steinberg, a political science professor and the president of NGO Monitor, an advocacy group that tracks the work of nongovernmental organizations critical of Israel, said that the amount of funding provided by governments of the European Union was 'out of proportion.'"

THE WALL STREET JOURNAL

The Palestinian Charity Trap

Prof. Gerald Steinberg | August 15, 2016

"World Vision's troubles in Gaza reflect the broader moral failures of the humanitarian-aid industry. The narrow vision of aid workers contribute to a willful blindness to terrorism. The competition for publicity and donations results in alliances with brutal regimes and corrupt warlords. But thanks to the NGO 'halo effect,' many donors also neglect due diligence, instead relying on the pure reputation of the recipient organization."

THE HUFFINGTON POST

World Vision and Gaza: Failure of Due Diligence and Worse

Prof. Gerald Steinberg | October 11, 2016

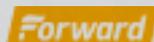
"The issue is not where and how humanitarian agencies work, but rather the due diligence that should accompany this work when the aid involves terrorism, warlords, and tyrants. World Vision has rejected the allegations about El Halabi by citing audits allegedly performed on their financial records. But standard financial audits in terror-run areas such as Gaza, are useless, particularly when aid includes cash for projects, equipment and shipments of food. Realistically, no auditing firm can possibly track diversions in a closed area governed by corruption, violence and fear."



How US States Can Promote Israeli-Palestinian Peace

Benjamin Weinthal and Asaf Romirowsky | August 8, 2016

"The Israel-based watchdog group NGO Monitor correctly characterizes the overarching goal of JVP: to weaken US support for Israel and divide the US Jewish community."



Why Doctors Without Borders Has an Israel Problem

Yona Schiffmiller | July 7, 2016

"It is hard to put much faith in Cone's pronouncement that 'Fundamental to MSF's work are the humanitarian principles of independence, neutrality and impartiality. These principles mean that we stand apart from political interests, that we don't take sides.' This is the image that MSF wishes to project, but its track record shows otherwise."



Human Rights for all! ...Or Just Some?

Becca Wertman | December 10, 2016

"The so-called human rights NGOs active in the Arab-Israeli conflict instead routinely condemn Israeli security measures, including the killing of Palestinian assailants perpetrating attacks against Israeli civilians. Yet they remain silent when deliberate terrorist attacks against Israeli civilians take place."



Yes, Goldman Sachs Funds Hebron's Settlers. And Charles Schwab Is Funding BDS**Naftali Balanson | April 13, 2016**

"For close to 15 years, NGO Monitor has conducted in-depth research into governmental and private financial support for NGOs involved in the Arab-Israeli conflict. As our research shows, the Hebron Fund is far from the only conflict-related organization to benefit from the support of charitable funds affiliated with investment banks."

Report: Germany donating millions to BDS groups**Yair Altman | July 25, 2016**

"NGO Monitor, a watchdog group that promoted greater transparency among foreign-funded Israeli nongovernmental organizations, has found that between 2012 and 2015, Germany funneled at least 4 million euros (\$4.4 million) to some 15 Israeli organizations, and 42% of donations went to groups supporting an international boycott against Israel and policies negating Israel's existence as a Jewish state."

Israel: Some NGOs are Seen as the Enemy from the Inside**Holly Young | May 11, 2016**

"NGO Monitor, an organisation based in West Jerusalem that carries out analysis of the work of civil society organisations, believes the debate is important but opposes legislation. Gerald Steinberg, president of NGO Monitor, said: 'Large-scale foreign (mostly European) government funding to Israeli political groups, under facades such as civil society, human rights, peace or democracy building, and which does not take place in any other democracy, is seen as an attack on Israeli sovereignty and democratic self-determination.'"

Unraveling the Belgian BDS Connection [Engelstalige versie]**Prof. Gerald Steinberg | September 21, 2016**

"The blatant anti-Israel agenda and Palestinian victimization narrative reflects the Western European norm, including strong Christian theological echoes and a patronizing neo-colonial relationship with Palestinians."

חוק העמותות: הזדמנות לשיפור היחסים עם אירופה**Prof. Gerald Steinberg | July 13, 2016**

"השבוע הכנסת אישרה בקריאה שנייה ושלישית את התיקון לחוק העמותות המטיל חובת דיווח ושקיפות על ארגונים לא-ממשלתיים המקבלים למעלה מ-50% מימון ממשלתי זר. אולם לחקיקה אין מענה לסוגיית המימון עבור ארגונים פוליטיים בישראל ואין היא יכולה להשפיע על מימון אירופי לארגונים פלסטינים שמובילים לוחמה משפטית וחרמות."

Le rôle de l'Europe dans le débat sur les ONG, un point de vue israélien**Prof. Gerald Steinberg | February 15, 2016**

"Depuis presque 20 ans, l'Union européenne et les états européens ont transféré plus d'un milliard d'euro d'argent du contribuable à un petit groupe d'organisations non-gouvernementales (ONG) en Israël et en Palestine."

'VN zetten Israël systematisch in kwaad daglicht'**Gerhard Wilts | April 9, 2016**

"Het kantoor van de Verenigde Naties voor humanitaire hulp in de bezette Palestijnse gebieden (OCHA-oPt), demoniseert Israël stelselmatig. Dat zegt NGO Monitor, een in Jeruzalem gevestigde mediawaakhond, in een kritisch rapport."

THE TIMES OF ISRAEL

Gaza aid workers fear impact of Hamas allegations

Joe Dyke | August 11, 2016

"Gerald Steinberg... said the disclosures were evidence charities need to share more security information with Israel's security services."

THE JERUSALEM POST

Knesset NGO vote is the beginning of the debate, not the end

Prof. Gerald Steinberg | July 10, 2016

"The latest legislation is part of ongoing efforts to deal with a unique threat facing Israel – more than 15 years of demonization, BDS and lawfare. These political attacks have been enabled and bolstered by tens of millions of euros, pounds, Swiss francs, and krona from governments, provided to NGOs on a scale unseen anywhere else in the world."



The Greatest Threat to Palestinian Arab Youth

Sean Durns | June 21, 2015

"NGO Monitor, a nonprofit organization that promotes accountability by such groups, has noted that Defense for Children International-Palestine has published inflated lists of children it claimed were killed in the 2014 Israel-Hamas war in the Gaza Strip — later admitting that for many no reliable evidence could be gathered."



Rio Games Uphold Olympic Tradition of Jew-Hatred

Ziva Dahl | August 17, 2016

"NGO Monitor's Gerald Steinberg dubs the separation and isolation of Israelis "petty apartheid" and compares it to "the refusal to allow blacks in South Africa before 1994, or in the US before the civil rights movement, to sit with whites on buses or drink from the same water fountains."



Gazze'de yardım örgütleri tartışması

August 11, 2016

"Filistinlilere yardımları denetleyen İsrail yanlısı sivil toplum kuruluşu NGO Monitor'un Başkanı Gerald Steinberg, yardım kuruluşlarını, çalışanlarının faaliyetlerini sürekli olarak denetleyebilmek için gözetleme ve istihbarat teknolojileri kullanmaya çağırdı. NGO Monitor, konuyla ilgili açıklamasında, Hamas'a para akışında irade eksikliğinin de etkili olduğunu savundu."

THE TIMES OF ISRAEL

Terror, Security, and Human Rights Fundamentalism

Prof. Gerald Steinberg | July 17, 2016

"When people speaking in the name of human rights revile and demonize every step taken by governments and security forces to provide safety and security, nothing is acceptable, and many innocent lives are lost. This fundamentalist, uncompromising and distorted interpretation of human rights has destroyed its moral foundation."





קרב בלימה: האם תנועות ה-BDS נחלשת?

ניצן סניור שניאור | May 25, 2016

“שלוש החלטות שהתקבלו בתקופה האחרונה ביקשו להגדיר את ארגוני החרם כמפלים, לא הוגנים ולא חוקיים. לנה בקמן מארגון NGO Monitor מניבה להתרחשויות ולשאלה האם ישנה מגמה חיובית במאבק ב-BDS?”



חוקי העמותות: האם הם באמת נחוצים?

Lena Bakman | May 24, 2016

“מחקר של NGO Monitor מראה שרובן המכריע של העמותות אכן מדווחות, דבר השופך אור על היכולת של הציבור להבין מהן המדיניות המשפיעות על השיח הציבורי בתוך ישראל. ההצעות שעולות השבוע בכנסת לא יעזרו לפתור את הבעיה”



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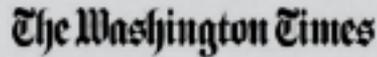
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World Vision Hazy on how it Spent Gaza Cash

Anthony Klan | December 6, 2016

“The Australian has now obtained, through the Jerusalem-based NGO Monitor, a document filed by World Vision Israel with a local charity regulator, containing curious entries for expenditures, including ‘drawing a smile on children’ and ‘South Gaza transformed families’.”



A Marriage Made in Hell

Ziva Dahl | December 27, 2016

“JVP is equally secretive, but, thanks to NGO-Monitor, a number of their funders have been identified, including the Rockefeller Brothers Fund. RBF apparently buys into JVP’s subterfuge of human rights advocacy, but in reality, JVP’s activities contradict RBF’s mission to promote a ‘peaceful world.’”



So zerbrach das Bündnis Zwischen Bibi und Obama

Anthe Schippmann | December 29, 2016

“Auch Steinberg befürchtet, dass die Resolution verschiedene anti-israelische Kampagnen weiter befeuern kann, darunter die Boykott-Bewegung und die Versuche, Israel mithilfe des Internationalen Strafgerichtshofs weiter ins Abseits zu stellen. „Die UN-Sicherheitsratsresolution 2334 wiederholt anti-israelische Boykott-Sprache“, so Steinberg zu BILD.”



Human Rights Watch and Amnesty International Have a Problem with Israel

Jeff Robbins | June 17, 2016

“NGO Monitor has worked doggedly to make it easier for people to see just how partisan these organizations are, and how frequently they are just plain wrong.”



Wie bewijs verzamelt in Gaza, wordt tegengewerkt

Derk Walters | September 1, 2016

“Een pro-Israëliëse ngo genaamd ‘NGO Monitor’, die mensenrechtenorganisaties bekritiseert, noemt Al-Haq een lawfare-organisatie die de wet gebruikt als oorlogswapen. „De wet gebruiken, daar lijkt ons niks mis mee”, zegt Jabarin.”



Major Reports and Publications:

NGO Monitor's publications are a significant means to increase our impact among the most influential elements of the human rights and foreign policy networks. We provide our reports to diplomats, government officials, journalists, and other decision makers.

The European-Funded NGO PFLP Network

November 14, 2016

The Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine (PFLP) is a terrorist organization designated as such by the US, EU, Canada, and Israel. NGO Monitor's report demonstrates that numerous NGOs funded by European governments have direct and indirect ties to this terrorist group.

NGOs Involved in the FIFA Campaign Against Israel

September 26, 2016

The campaign against the Israeli membership in Fédération Internationale de Football Association (FIFA), as part of BDS measures against Israel, is intensifying. This report analyzes the role of NGOs – such as Human Rights Watch, Israel Committee against House Demolitions (ICAHD), and Social TV – in the campaign to target Israel's membership in the soccer association.

Norwegian Funding Update 2016

September 14, 2016

According to the Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Norwegian Agency for Development Cooperation (NORAD), in 2016 the Norwegian government committed funds of over NOK 200 million (over \$24 million) to politicized NGOs active in the Arab-Israeli conflict. NGO Monitor reviews Norway's funding to these NGOs and the NGOs' various activities, including promoting BDS and lawfare campaigns against Israel.

World Vision Finances in Jerusalem, the West Bank, and Gaza

September 8, 2016

On August 4, 2016, the Shin Bet (Israel Security Agency) announced that Mohammed El-Halabi, World Vision's manager of operations in Gaza, funneled approximately \$50 million of World Vision's Gaza budget to the terrorist group Hamas. While World Vision disputes these allegations, NGO Monitor research demonstrates the obstacles to independent verification of World Vision's financial claims as well as the possibility that a diversion of funds occurred.

IDF Document Refutes NGO Allegations regarding 2014 Gaza War

September 4, 2016

On August 24, 2016, the IDF Military Advocate General (MAG) issued a statement providing detailed information on 12 incidents from the 2014 Gaza war in which allegations of potential war crimes had been raised. As NGO Monitor analysis shows, the MAG claims and those made by NGOs – including Adalah, Al-Mezan, B'Tselem, Human Rights Watch, Amnesty International, and Physicians for Human Rights-Israel – contradict each other. This finding demonstrates the lack of evidence used by NGOs and their inability to generate factual, verifiable, and accurate conclusions.

Fact Sheet: Abuse of Tourist Visas by Radical NGO Activists for BDS and Political Warfare

August 31, 2016

NGO activists have systematically obtained tourist visas to enter Israel under false pretenses, and then acted to harass and obstruct IDF and security personnel, organize and participate in violent protests, contact terror organizations, promote BDS and demonization, and engage in other activities inconsistent with the status of tourists. This fact sheet provides evidence on this growing phenomenon, which has been a source of concern in Israel and has led the Israeli government to implement a specific policy aimed at preventing BDS activists from obtaining entrance into the State via tourist visas.

Ecumenical Accompaniment Programme in Palestine and Israel (EAPPI)

August 4, 2016

Ecumenical Accompaniment Programme in Palestine and Israel (EAPPI), founded in 2002 by the World Council of Churches, brings international volunteers to the West Bank to “experience the occupation.” After the activists return to their home countries, they often promote anti-Israel campaigns, including BDS. This report details the background, activities, and funding driving EAPPI’s campaigns and political ideology.

Analysis of NIF 2015 Funding for 25 Political Advocacy NGOs

August 1, 2016

NGO Monitor has analyzed the 2015 financial reports of the New Israel Fund (NIF), detailing grants to a wide variety of Israeli NGOs. Our analysis focuses on the 18% of NIF funding authorized to 25 advocacy NGOs that are also funded by European governments and active in political campaigns that involve, to different degrees, demonization of Israel, including BDS and lawfare.

German Federally Funded Church Organizations' Support for NGOs Active in the Arab-Israeli Conflict and German Federal Frameworks Involving Civil Society in the Arab-Israeli Conflict

August 1, 2016 / July 10, 2016

German government funding for non-governmental organizations (NGOs) is officially dedicated to “combating poverty, securing food, establishing peace, freedom, democracy and human rights, shaping globalization in a socially equitable manner, and preserving the environment and natural resources.” However, in Israel and the West Bank and Gaza, German government funds are directly and indirectly transferred to highly politicized NGOs. NGO Monitor’s research shows that these NGOs oppose peace negotiations, promote narratives that reject the legitimacy of a Jewish state, exploit human rights principles, and, in some cases, express blatant antisemitism.

Senate Report Highlights Absence of Oversight in NGO Funding

July 13, 2016

On July 12, the U.S. Senate Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations, chaired by Senator Rob Portman (R-OH), released a report detailing the use of resources developed with State Department funding to advance the “V-15” political campaign during the last election cycle in Israel. In analyzing the Senate’s conclusions, NGO Monitor recommends increased oversight and assessment of NGO applicants on the basis of the totality of activities and agendas and not only through narrowly defined projects or claims made by the NGOs themselves.

EU Funding for NGOs - Value for Money? Parts I and II

July 13, 2016

The EU, together with its Member States, are projected to provide more than half of global aid for 2014-2020. A considerable, though unknown, amount of this aid is administered through and to NGOs. Considering the scope of funding, the issue of value for money is of acute importance, and justifiably attracts much interest among EU officials and citizens. This set of reports deals with the EU’s engagement with civil society, highlighting phenomena such as centralization among grantees, EU-funded networks, and involvement of NGOs in policy-making.

Mapping Israeli NGOs

July 4, 2016

This project “maps” the entire Israeli non-profit community, 40,000 NGOs, and determines the size, scope, and power of groups operating in the fields of human rights, humanitarian aid, peace, and co-existence. Main findings include that the sum of all reported donations from foreign governments to the mapped Israeli NGOs is over NIS 104 million, and that of the 41 foreign-funded Israeli NGOs, 25 received more than half of the funding for their budgets from external (generally European) governments.

UNOCHA-oPt: Politicized Activities and Funding in the Arab-Israeli Conflict

May 4, 2016

The United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs in the Palestinian territories (OCHA-oPt) acts as one of the primary coordinators of NGO funding and activity in the Arab-Israeli conflict. These NGOs are highly active in promoting international BDS and lawfare campaigns, and some even engage in blatantly antisemitic activities. This report examines OCHA-oPt's funding structure and its support of such NGOs.

Uncovering the Jewish Voice for Peace (JVP) Funding Network

May 1, 2016

Jewish Voice for Peace, a U.S.-based organization that refers to itself as the "Jewish wing" of the Palestinian solidarity movement, is completely non-transparent about its funding sources. NGO Monitor research has identified a sizable portion of its funding, from private foundations and trusts.

HRW's "World Report 2016": Selective Narrative on Israel and Middle East

February 2, 2016

On January 27, 2016, Human Rights Watch (HRW) released its "World Report 2016," with a section devoted to "Israel/Palestine: Events of 2015." As NGO Monitor shows, and as is typical of the organization, the report presents a lack of methodology and inconsistent statistics, minimizes terrorism to demonize Israel, and presents a distorted narrative on Gaza.

Human Rights Watch Publication, Lacking Methodology and Credibility, Lays the Foundations for BDS

January 20, 2016

On January 19, 2016, Human Rights Watch (HRW) published "Occupation, Inc.," which lacks a sound research methodology or comparative framework. As a result, the authors have no basis for factual and legal claims regarding human rights and international legal issues, and terms like "pervasive" and "severe" are meaningless. NGO Monitor's analysis demonstrates how anonymous, emotive interviews and claims from other NGOs and Palestinian advocates take the place of verifiable evidence and conclusive facts.

Research Note: New European Government Funding Aimed at Influencing Israeli Legislation

January 10, 2016

The Israeli NGO B'Tselem received a grant from the European Endowment for Democracy (EED) to combat proposed legislation in the Israeli Knesset, highlighting the manipulative intent of European government funding in the context of Israeli democracy.



NGO MONITOR MANAGEMENT



Professor Gerald Steinberg, President and Founder

A senior faculty member at Bar Ilan University, Prof. Steinberg provides direction and strategy for NGO Monitor. In 2016, he published a number of academic articles, as well as op-eds and letters to the editor in *Wall Street Journal*, The Huffington Post, Times of Israel, *The Jerusalem Post*, and many other newspapers. Prof. Steinberg conducted extensive interviews on NGO and human rights related issues with television, radio, and print media outlets. He has also spoke at a variety of high-level government sessions and academic conferences worldwide. Prof. Steinberg is co-author of *Best Practices for Human Rights and Humanitarian NGO Fact-Finding*.



Dov Yarden, CEO

Dov Yarden was appointed NGO Monitor's CEO in March 2008 to oversee the management and day to day operations of the organization. He is also responsible for financial planning, personnel, and donor relations. Together with Prof. Gerald Steinberg, Dov drives NGO Monitor's strategic direction. Prior to joining NGO Monitor, Dov was a hi-tech entrepreneur. He was one of the founders of Unicorn Solutions, and managed their global Information Technologies and Administration until the company was bought by IBM in 2006.



Anne Herzberg, Legal Advisor

Anne Herzberg is the author of NGO Monitor's "NGO Lawfare: Exploitation of Courts in the Arab-Israeli Conflict" and the "International Law, Human Rights and NGOs Series," as well as co-author of *Best Practices for Human Rights and Humanitarian NGO Fact-Finding* and other academic publications. She is one of the leading experts on NGO "lawfare" cases against Israeli officials and companies doing business with Israel. She is invited regularly to speak at international conferences, and her op-eds have appeared in *Ha'aretz*, *Wall Street Journal*, and *The Jerusalem Post*.



Naftali Balanson, Chief of Staff

Naftali has been part of NGO Monitor for over eight years and oversees all of NGO Monitor's publications and other output; helps develop strategic goals and objectives; and works closely with researchers, communications, and website staff. He has written extensively about BDS campaigns, NGO funding and transparency, and the relationship between governments and non-governmental organizations. His articles and op-eds have appeared in many publications including the *Jerusalem Post*, *The Forward*, *The Jewish Chronicle*, and *Ynet*. He has an MA in English Literature from Columbia University.



--> **Olga Deutsch, Director of Europe Desk** -----

Olga Deutsch oversees NGO Monitor's Europe desk and directs NGO Monitor's research on the European Union and European countries. She is an expert on EU funding to politicized NGOs, German funding to politicized NGOs, and BDS in Europe through the lens of NGOs. Before making Aliyah in 2009, she served as the chairperson of the European Union of Jewish Students, an umbrella organization for 34 national unions. She is fluent in English, Hebrew, Serbian, and German.



--> **Itai Reuveni, Co-Director of Israel Desk** -----

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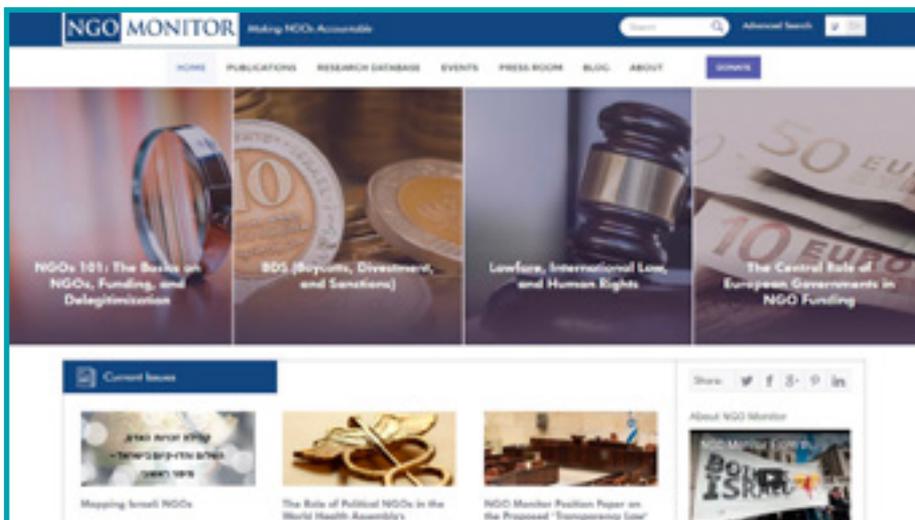


ORGANIZATIONAL EXPANSION

At its founding, NGO Monitor consisted of a staff of just one, Prof. Gerald Steinberg. Today we proudly employ 24 individuals working on research, editing, communications, marketing, website, and development.

This year, NGO Monitor expanded our North America Desk, which aims to expose anti-Israel organizations that promote BDS and lawfare in North America and/or are supported by the U.S. and Canadian governments. The North America Desk also focuses on anti-Israel activity on American campuses, such as BDS campaigns.

In addition, we have hired a French researcher to track funding from French-speaking regions to NGOs active in the Arab-Israeli conflict. This will provide NGO Monitor with an entirely new area of research and will expand our impact in Europe.



Screenshot: NGO Monitor website homepage



As a result of this growth, we have exceeded the space capacity of our modest office and have moved to a new location! Our new office is located in Talpiyot, in a space large enough to comfortably fit our growing team. The upgraded space will allow us to continue to grow and thrive as an organization, increasing our efforts and multiplying our results.

We have also upgraded our website. In March 2016, NGO Monitor launched a re-designed, innovative, user-friendly website, featuring a database of over 250 NGOs active in the Arab-Israeli conflict as well information on donors, up-to-date reports, blogs, and videos. Our improved website enables NGO Monitor research to be easily accessible to government officials, journalists, researchers, and general public.

In 2016, NGO Monitor's parent organization changed its official name to the Institute for NGO Research, in order to more accurately describe our core activity.



Screenshot: NGO Monitor Video "What is BDS" released on August 11, 2016.

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---> **Mr. Paul Ogden, Secretary**

Mr. Ogden has more than 40 years of communications experience, gained in large measure in Canada where he was a senior vice president at Weber Shandwick Worldwide. Canadian clients included Air Canada, General Motors Canada, and TD Canada Trust, one of the largest banks in Canada. Major clients served in Israel include the Weizmann Institute of Science, the Israel Export & International Cooperation Institute, American Express, H.J. Heinz, and the Israel branch of the London-based Society of Trust and Estate Practitioners. From 2006 until 2011, Mr. Ogden was managing editor

of *Justice*, the magazine of the International Association of Jewish Lawyers and Jurists. He has also served as managing editor for several professional books, including two books on Israeli business law published by Kluwer Law International of The Hague, London, and Boston. Mr. Ogden studied communications (print journalism) at Centennial College of Applied Arts and Technology in Toronto and from 2013-2015 served as deputy chairman of the Israel Public Relations Association.

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Mr. Edward Cohen is qualified as a chartered accountant in the UK. Mr. Cohen has previously been a member of the London Stock Exchange and a partner of a stock-broking firm, in London. He was also a member of Lloyds of London. Upon moving to Israel in 1983, Mr. Cohen was involved in venture capital, until he retired from business in 2003. Since then, he has been mainly involved in volunteer and charitable activities.

Ms. Penina Goldstein was educated at Columbia University in New York City, where she studied political science, law, and international affairs. After working as a commercial lawyer in New York, she moved to Israel in 1994. There she worked as an attorney at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the State Revenue Administration at the Ministry of Finance, and as an editor at the Institute of the World Jewish Congress. She currently lives in Jerusalem and works as a freelance translator, working on legal and other materials for various government entities as well as a variety of private firms.

Ms. Frieda Horwitz, a native of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, made Aliyah in 1983. Ms. Horwitz has diverse project and agency managerial skills, and is an effective and experienced bi-lingual fundraiser in the non-profit arena. She holds credentials from Barnard College, Brandeis, and Columbia University.

Brigadier General (retired) Yosef Kuperwasser was the Director General of the Israeli Ministry of International Affairs and Strategy between 2011 and December 2014. Previously, he was the head of the Analysis and Production Division of the Israel Defense Forces (IDF) Directorate of Military Intelligence (Aman) for five years until June 2006. In this capacity, he was responsible for preparing Israel's national intelligence assessments and for early warning. During his military career, Brig. Gen. Kuperwasser served as Assistant Defense Attaché for Intelligence at the Israeli Embassy in Washington, DC and as the Intelligence Officer of the IDF Central Command, where he helped shape the way Israel coped with the threat of terror and in understanding regional developments and in sharing those understandings with U.S. and other foreign entities. Brig. Gen. Kuperwasser has a B.A. in Arabic language and literature from Haifa University and an M.A. in Economics from Tel Aviv University.

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Ms. Linda Olmert was born and raised in Toronto, Canada, and moved to Israel in 1975. Ms. Olmert served as the Director of NPO "Eretz Nehederet" ("A Wonderful Land"), and lectures to churches and Christian media in the U.S. and the UK. Ms. Olmert previously spent 12 years at the Diaspora Museum Tel Aviv in developing "Game Education," and was the Director of Media Relations and Resource Development at Palestinian Media Watch. She founded The Organization for Children of Holocaust Survivors in Israel; is an Executive Steering Committee member and Board of Directors member at Yad Vashem Holocaust Museum, Jerusalem Israel; and serves as a Vice President and Board of Directors member at the Fellowship of Israel and Black America (FIBA).

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sits on the editorial board of the *Fathom Journal*. In addition, Dr. Rynhold played a leading role in combating the UK campaign to boycott Israeli universities. He is regularly interviewed by a wide variety of news outlets, which have included, *New York Times*, *Washington Post*, *Los Angeles Times*, *CNN*, *USA Today*, *The Times* (London), *Al Jazeera* (English). He has also authored opinion pieces in *The Atlantic*, *Jerusalem Post* and *Ha'aretz*.

Mr. Arnold Roth is an Israel-based manager, technology commercialization specialist and attorney, and founder of the Malki Foundation. As the child of Holocaust survivors from Poland who settled in Australia in the late 1940s and as a law student at Monash University, he took an active role in local Jewish communal affairs, including two years as president of the Australian Union of Jewish Students. With partners, he established a commercial law firm in Melbourne, and then brought his family to settle in Jerusalem in 1988 where they live today. The murder of his 15 year old daughter Malki in 2001 in a terror attack in the center of Jerusalem catalyzed Roth and his wife Frimet to speak and write widely about terrorism.

Dr. Amira Schiff is a faculty member of the graduate program on Conflict Management and Negotiation at Bar Ilan University. She holds a PhD in Political Science specializing in international conflict resolution, particularly peace processes in ethno-national conflicts. Dr. Schiff has published articles in leading academic journals and is currently in the process of writing a book on the topic of international conflict resolution. She was previously a visiting fellow at the York Center for International and Security Studies (YCISS) at York University, Toronto (2007-2010).

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Judea Pearl is a Chancellor's Professor of Computer Science and Statistics at UCLA. He is a graduate of the Technion, Israel, and has joined the faculty of UCLA in 1969, where he currently directs the Cognitive Systems Laboratory and conducts research in artificial intelligence, human cognition, and philosophy of science. A Member of the National Academy of Sciences and a Founding Fellow of the American Association for Artificial Intelligence, Pearl is a recipient of numerous scientific awards including the Technion's Harvey Prize and the ACM Alan Turing Award.

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Judge Abraham Sofaer has been a George P. Shultz Distinguished Scholar and Senior Fellow at the Hoover Institution (Stanford University) since 1994. He has been a prosecutor, legal educator, judge, government official, and attorney in private practice.



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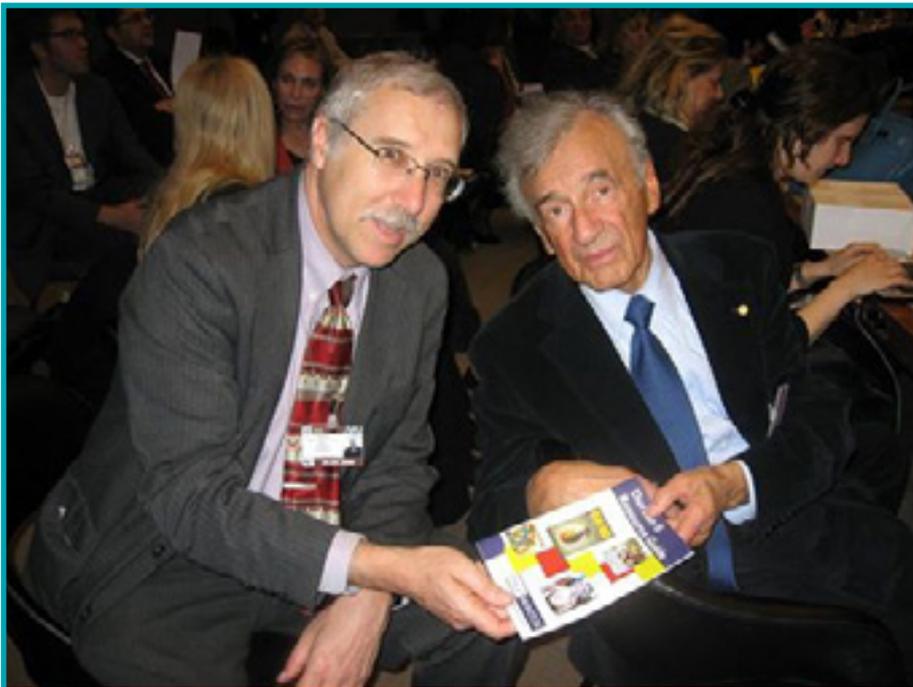
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