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USJ to Host Israeli Gerontologist and College President
Dr. Ariela Lowenstein - Lecture on Active Aging Open to Public

WEST HARTFORD, Conn. (January 7, 2014) – The University of Saint Joseph (USJ) will host renowned Israeli gerontologist, author, and President of Max Stern Academic College of Emek Yezreel, Dr. Ariela Lowenstein, on Thursday, January 23, 2014. Dr. Lowenstein will deliver a lecture on “Active Aging and Intergenerational Solidarity,” followed by a book signing of her recent work (co-authored by Simon Briggs), Generational Intelligence.

The event is open to the public and will take place in the Crystal Room, Mercy Hall, located on the University’s main campus at 1678 Asylum Avenue, West Hartford, Conn. The lecture will begin at 5:30 p.m.; the book signing and a reception will take place following the lecture. The event is free, but reservations are required. Contact Kelley Streeter Hill at kstreeter@usj.edu or 860.231.5228. Dr. Lowenstein’s lecture is co-sponsored by the Jewish Federation of Greater Hartford.

The visit will also feature the signing of a partnership agreement between the University of Saint Joseph and Max Stern Academic College. “The University is delighted to welcome Dr. Lowenstein and to formalize a partnership between our two institutions,” said Pamela Trotman
Reid, Ph.D., president of the University of Saint Joseph. “Our shared focus in the health sciences makes for an ideal collaboration as we continue to develop opportunities for our students to excel in the global health care arena. Additionally, USJ has a long commitment to the field of Gerontology, offering both an undergraduate minor and a graduate certificate program.”

Dr. Lowenstein said, “The evolving role of colleges creates unprecedented opportunities for Max Stern Academic College to affect higher education locally in the Galilee and globally through our new partnership with USJ. In this dynamic environment, we are adding new B.A. study programs to meet emerging social and cultural developments and new graduate degree programs in selected fields. I believe that the agreement we are about to sign is the beginning of fruitful relations, in which you'll find for Max Stern Academic College to be enlightening, inspiring, and indeed your home away from home.”

“January 23, 2014 will mark another milestone in advancing substantive interchange between Israeli and Connecticut institutions’” said Laura Zimmerman, associate vice president of Public Affairs for the Jewish Federation of Greater Hartford.

The partnership between the two institutions continues USJ’s international recruitment initiative, which includes a partnership with Otsuma Women’s University in Japan and HAN University in The Netherlands. Last spring, Dr. Reid visited Israel with the America-Israeli Friendship League, which followed trips to Saudi Arabia, China, Oman, Ghana, and Japan.

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