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Civic Organizations



“Please extend our sincere appreciation to everyone at IPD Forum for a truly great event. Your talk about the changing alliances in the Middle East was fascinating and extremely informative. The use of maps of that region was very effective and helped all in attendance gain a better insight into the interests and motivations of the countries in the Middle East, as well as those of the U.S. and Russia. We look forward to working with you on similar lectures in the future.”

Thomas H. Vann

President, Rotary Club of Houston



“On behalf of the entire Board and membership of the Southern Arizona Council for International Visitors, I would like to thank you for sharing your extensive knowledge of the complex historical, political and geographic realities of the Middle East. You could hear from the audience in Tucson, the high interest level and intensity of feelings that this subject matter generates. We now all have a better understanding of the sources of terrorism and the need to apply an equally complex combination of political, diplomatic and security strategies to reach some level of stability in that part of the world.”

Peter Becskehazy

Board President, Southern Arizona Council for International Visitors



“The professionalism of the IPD Forum staff and the quality lectures delivered by its speakers ensured two successful programs. We have received nothing but positive feedback from those who attended the programs and we look forward to future collaboration.”

Rindy Zhang

Programs and Partnerships Director, World Affairs Council of Greater Houston



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“We at GlobalAustin, would like to thank you for your time and expertise. It was a wonderful presentation and we appreciated your thoroughness and patience, in responding to questions posed by the attendees. We welcome a future collaboration and, until then, wish you all the best.”

Matthew Flueckiger

President, GlobalAustin



“Thank you very much for an exceptional talk on the Middle East. I have had very positive feedback on the evening, even asking when we can do it again. Thank you for your time and expertise on this subject.”

Reg Rider

President, Rotary Club of Albuquerque



"Collaborating with the IPD Forum was a wonderful opportunity for our organization and our partnering organizations; it provided the community with a valuable experience and simulating dialogue. The speaker's commentary was thorough and offered an insightful perspective. We look forward to working with them again in the future!"

Cecilia Cross

Executive Director, San Antonio Council for International Visitors



"Your remarks framing the many challenges facing the Middle East and the need to balance realism with pragmatism were well received by our members."

Robert M. Balentine

President, Rotary Club of Atlanta



"The presentation was quite interesting and informative, providing insight into a very difficult and challenging part of our world. Thank you for joining us."

Barbara Rodgers

Secretary, Board of Directors, Metropolitan Breakfast Club, Austin



"The members and guests of the Rotary Club of Cincinnati were very impressed with Professor Gilboa's presentation at our meeting in December 2016. Several asked to have copies of his presentation and one even remarked that she felt it was like sitting in on an exceptional college-level course on the Middle East with a semester's worth of content condensed into 30 minutes!"

Linda Muth

Executive Director, Rotary Club of Cincinnati



"Dr. Gilboa presented a well-rounded and thought provoking presentation. Columbus Rotary was fortunate to be his host for the evening"

Scott Brown

Executive Director, Columbus Rotary



"You provided valuable insights into the evolving Israeli-US relationship, talks between Israelis and Palestinians, and reactions to negotiations with Iran. Our members greatly appreciated the opportunity to hear from you and ask questions."

Niamh King

Vice President, Programs, The Chicago Council on Global Affairs



"As an organization with a similar mission about international education and understanding, it was a pleasure to host Prof. Gilboa. The experience was rewarding for the local audience and truly helped the community gain insights into the Middle East and develop a deeper knowledge of foreign affairs. Thank you for sharing this expertise."

Michelle Harpenau

Executive Director, Greater Cincinnati World Affairs Council



"Think you understand the Middle East? Not a chance. Truly. It is much more complex than I ever thought. In listening to Professor Gilboa's AMAZING presentation during his talk to our Cincinnati Rotary Club, the sheer number of conflicting factions in the region and their general distrust of one another begins to help you better understand. An eye opening presentation to say the least, and one anyone interested in the Middle East needs to hear. I honestly could have listened for hours."

Craig A. Roberts

Rotary Club of Cincinnati

Economic and Trade Organizations

"The presentation exceeded our expectations. The knowledge shared was so interesting to hear about and I appreciate what IPD Forum is doing on informing and educating for that will continue to bridge the gap between our countries and others."

LeAnn Pashina

Vice President, South Austin Business Association

"The Israel Public Diplomacy Forum offers the unique ability to cross cultural and geographic boundaries while exchanging in engaging, dynamic, reciprocal conversation with the audience. It was an opportunity to bridge gaps and understand similarities as well as differences."

Tam Hawkins

President & CEO, Greater Austin Black Chamber of Commerce

"Working with IPD Forum was a total pleasure. The speakers were informative and provided a unique perspective on Israeli business practices. Our members learned a lot that they can incorporate into the way they approach their businesses. Thank you for the opportunity."

Kerwin Brown

President and CEO, Black Chamber of Arizona

"The delegation participants were knowledgeable and very engaging. The conversation and discussion was illuminating and educational. On behalf of BENS I would like to thank you again for allowing us to participate in a fascinating evening and pledge our support to any future ventures."

Matthew P. Elias

Regional Director, Texas, Business Executives for National Security

"Texas Women in Business was honored to co-host such a dynamic event! The speakers were amazing. We all gained significant insight into Israel and business there. We would love to host another event with IPDF."

Melody Kump

Member of Advisory Board, Texas Women in Business



“Eytan Gilboa’s gift is that he is an articulate spokesman who combines the analytic skill of a social scientist with the sensitivities of a realist. Unlike a lot of passionate people who believe in their causes, he recognizes the position of others, affirming when they are correct and acknowledges their concerns.”

Michael H. Traison

President, America-Israel Chamber of Commerce, Chicago

“Prof. Lehman-Wilzig’s presentation was engaging and informative and I look forward to finding new ways to collaborate in the future”

Barry R. Swartz

Vice President, American-Israel Chamber of Commerce, Southeast Region

“Leonard Sackstein provided excellent information and was very engaging with the attendees. We were very pleased with the work that was done and found the experience to be effective and useful for all who attended.”

Ernie C’de Baca

Vice President, Albuquerque, Hispano Chamber of Commerce

“We have received nothing but positive feedback from those who attended the standing-room only event thanks to the high level, quality speakers the IPD Forum brought in from Israel. We anticipate that many of the participants will pursue business development opportunities in Israel and we look forward to future opportunities to partner with the IPD Forum.”

Randy Trask

Trade Alliance Manager, Albuquerque-Bernalillo County Trade Alliance

Universities and Colleges

“Professor Gilboa, thank you for two excellent presentations in Atlanta. Your remarks today to a cross-section of 100 students were informative and well attended. I was pleased to see a significant and diverse audience.”

Prof. Joseph R. Bankoff

Chair, Sam Nunn School of International Affairs, Georgia Institute of Technology

“Let me take this opportunity to express my appreciation to you and the other people who have worked to make the visit to our institution possible. Our students thoroughly enjoyed the lecture and the discussion. It was a pleasure to make contact with you and I hope that we will be able to move in the direction of developing a partnership between our two institutions.”

Julius E. Coles

Director, Andrew Young Center for International Affairs, Morehouse College





"Morrison Institute was very pleased to host a forum featuring IPDF environmental expert Dr. Miriam Haran. her insights on Israeli water policy had a great deal of relevance to water challenges that Arizona and other western states are currently facing and our audience members valued the opportunity to hear from her in person and ask her questions. We greatly appreciate how easy it was to work with IPDF."

Thom Reilly,

Director, Morrison Institute for Public Policy, Arizona State University

"We greatly enjoyed working with you on the event at Emory University and it was a terrific event. The discussion was very well-received and we were delighted to be a part of an engaging conversation about current issues relevant not just to Israel but to effective governance and the rule of law overall"

Laurie Blank

Clinical Professor of Law and Director, International Humanitarian Law Clinic, Emory Law School

"It was an honor to support your lecture at the University of St. Thomas, and to partner for the first time with the IPD Forum. We in the Center for International Studies look forward to future opportunities to collaborate."

Dr. Hans Stockton

Associate Dean and Director, Center for International Studies, University of St. Thomas, Houston

"You provided us with an excellent educational experience for UNT students, faculty, and staff as well as for those members of the Dallas-Fort Worth community who attended Prof. Sam Lehman-Wilzig's talk."

Dr. Richard M. Golden

Professor of History and Director of Jewish Studies Program, University of North Texas

"IPD Forum allowed students to hear questions and discussions which presented different angles on the connections between current events and historical background."

Therese Tendick

Director Center for Civic & Global Engagement, Scottsdale Community College

"Your presentation was especially timely and well received. I was thrilled that you could entertain questions from dozens of members of our College community. Please accept my thanks and appreciation for what all you have brought to our campus."

Rabbi Prof. Jonathan Cohen

Dean, Hebrew Union College – Jewish Institute of Religion Cincinnati Campus





Religious Institutions

"It was a pure delight to host the IPDF at Beth Israel. Your presentations were very educational and obviously raised many questions. We'll never run out of questions. We should only be blessed with good answers. Consider us to be your partners & let us know how we can remain connected."

Rabbi David A. Lyon

Senior Rabbi, Congregation Beth Israel

"The panel discussion in Dallas was a great success. The speakers were excellent and informative. We look forward to your return to Dallas next year"

A.J. Rosmarin

Chair, JCRC of the Jewish Federation of Greater Dallas

"It was a wonderful evening that you provided for us. The positive and forthright message that MK Dr. Aliza Lavie delivered was so appreciated. The feedback from those who attended was all positive. Thank you so much for giving us the opportunity to host."

Ronnie van Gelder

Program director, The Temple in Midtown Atlanta

"We had so much positive feedback from your presentations last night. Thank you so much for being part of our community and for sharing your thoughts on Israel. It was a pleasure listening to you both, and we look forward to future opportunities to learn together with you."

David M. Scott

Interim Executive Director & Director of Lifelong Learning, Congregation Beth Israel

"We truly and sincerely were happy to host the delegation from Israel. Their presentations were informative and enjoyable. Both shared a wealth of information with our participants and we received tremendously positive feedback about the session. We hope that we can work with you again in the future."

Karen Hoffman

Program Director, Temple Emanu-El, Dallas

EUROPE

"IPD's professional organization and Professor Gilboa's excellent performance demonstrated how effective public diplomacy can be – 'soft power' at its best. Professor Gilboa's presentation not only stimulated a lively debate, but helped German policy-makers and the media to better understand Israel's changing strategic security environment."

Dr. Harald Kindermann

Secretary General, German Council on Foreign Relations (DGAP)





"I found your activities very professional and effective. Our students and faculty members were delighted to have the possibility to listen to your interesting and insightful lecture."

Dr. Michal Zajac

Faculty of Journalism, Information and Book Studies, University of Warsaw



"We were very happy to have had the opportunity to directly discuss with our Israeli partner's global challenges in times of uncertainty and change, as well as prospects for closer bilateral co-operation between Poland and Israel."

Agnieszka Ostrowska

Strategic Programs Coordinator, Centre for International Relations, Warsaw



"On behalf of the Vice-Rector and the ENP Chair of the College of Europe, I would like to stress that we were happy to have been able to welcome you and collaborate with IPDF on this event. Our students, faculty and staff members, coming from many corners of the world, appreciated immensely the opportunity to discuss these important issues."

Izabela Wiewior

Vice-Rector's Office, College of Europe



"We received very positive feedback from our panelists, faculty members and students that participated in the event. Thanks again to the IPDF delegation!"

Dr. Karina Jędrzejowska

Institute of International Relations, University of Warsaw



"General Tadeusz Kościuszko Military Academy of Land Forces had the honor of hosting the Israel Public Diplomacy Forum. The lecture for officers, officer cadets and civilian students of the Academy provided a great package of information about a very complicated situation in the Middle East. We are hoping to host another meeting in future."

Maj. Rafal Niedziela

Chief of Foreign Cooperation, General Tadeusz Kościuszko Military Academy of Land Forces, Wrocław



"I am very thankful to Prof. Gilboa for sharing his knowledge about conflicts in the Middle East with colleagues and students from the Institute of International Relations. The lecture gave us an insight into what is in the works for Prof. Gilboa now, but also into his approach to the information warfare between Israelis and Palestinians."

Prof. Dr. Beata Ociepka

Institute for International Studies, University of Wrocław



Direct contact details for each organization can be provided on request.