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## ISRAEL AND THE MIDDLE EAST

**Sunday, May 17, 2009**

**S.E. Hooffen Hall,**

**Trubowicz Building (Faculty of Law)**

**14:30 - 15:30 Seminar Opening in the Presence of:**

**H.E. Amb. Jean-Michel Casa**

French ambassador in Israel

**François Heilbronn**

President of the French Friends of Tel Aviv University

**Henri Guaino**

Special advisor to President Nicolas Sarkozy

**1st Session – Sunday, May 17, 2009**

**ISRAEL IN THE MIDDLE EAST**

Moderator: **Eran Etzion** (Chief of Policy Planning Strategy,  
 Ministry of Foreign Affairs)

**15:30 – 16:30 Israel and the Palestinians**

**Alain Dieckhoff**

Senior Research Fellow, Centre for International Studies and  
 Research (CERI), Sciences-Po, Paris

**Asher Susser**

Moshe Dayan Center, Tel-Aviv University

**16:30 – 17:00 Coffee Break**

**17:00 – 18:00 Israel and the Syrian-Lebanese Complexity**

**Jean-Pierre Filiu**

Professor, Middle East Mediterranean Studies, Sciences-Po,  
 Paris

**Eyal Zisser**

Director, Moshe Dayan Center, Tel-Aviv University

**18:00 – 18:30 Debate**

**Monday, May 18, 2009**

**The Malka Brender Hall of Justice, Trubowicz Building**

**(Faculty of Law)**

**2nd Session – Monday, May 18, 2009**

**ISRAEL'S STRATEGIC ENVIRONMENT**

Moderator: **Gil Mihaely** (Historian and Journalist)

**9:00 – 10:00 The Iranian Nuclear Question**

**Thérèse Delpech**

Director of Strategic Affairs at the Atomic Energy Commission, Associate  
 Researcher at CERI, Paris

**David Menashri**

Director, The Center for Iranian Studies (CIS), Tel-Aviv University

10:00 – 10:30 Coffee Break

**10:30 – 12:00 Israel, Turkey and the Persian Gulf**

**Steffen Hertog**

Professor, Middle East Mediterranean Studies, Sciences-Po, Paris

**Ofra Bengio**

Moshe Dayan Center, Tel-Aviv University

Discussant: **H.E. Amb. Namik Tan**

Turkish Ambassador in Israel

**12:00 – 12:30 Debate**

**12:30 – 14:00 Lunch Break**

**3rd Session – Monday, May 18, 2009**

**ISRAEL AND THE SUPERPOWERS**

Moderator: **Alain Frachon** (Editor-in-Chief of "Le Monde")

**14:00 – 15:00 Israel and Europe**

**Elie Barnavi**

Professor Emeritus, Tel-Aviv University; Former Israeli Ambassador in  
 France

**Frédéric Charillon**

Professor; Director, Research Centre in the Social Sciences of Defense, Paris

**15:00 – 15:30 Coffee Break**

**15:30 – 16:30 Israel, the Middle East and the United States under Obama**

**Itamar Rabinovich**

Professor Emeritus, Tel-Aviv University; Former Israeli Ambassador in  
 Washington

**Gilles Kepel**

Professor; Director, Middle East Mediterranean Studies, Sciences-Po, Paris

**16:30 – 17:30 Debate**