

Rachel Sharaby

Prof. Rachel Sharaby is Associate Professor, Head of the Sociology and Anthropology Department at the Ashkelon Academic College. Her studies deal with immigration, ethnicity, identity, gender, tradition and modernity, intercultural encounters and syncretism. Her last book is *Dynamics of Gender Borders: Women in Israel's Cooperative Settlements* (with Prof. Fogiel-Bijaoui, Silvia), published by Walter de Gruyter, Berlin/Boston & Hebrew University Magnes Press, 2017.

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Dr. Yuliya Stavisky holds a Ph.D in Philosophy from Bar Ilan University. She is currently a postdoctoral researcher at Hebrew University of Jerusalem in the Faculty of Education, as well as an educator in the school system. She immigrated to Israel in 1994. Her research interests include immigration, integration, education, digital teaching in the 21st century, teachers as the digital immigrants and their integration in digital teaching society, and subjective parameters of integration.

Rina Shachar

Dr. Rina Shachar is a Senior Lecturer, Faculty of Social Science, Bar-Ilan University. Her research interests encompass gender structuring in Israeli society, gender and education, the young couple, "together and separately", the dynamics of change in choice of mates, organizations and family, career and parenthood, his and her satisfaction in the double-standard marriage, the choice to be a single mother – causes and consequences, causes of the current generation's decision not to marry. Dr. Shachar has founded a number of institutions, including the Rachel Kagan Leadership School for WIZO, with Dr. Rivka Nardy, and the Center for Gender Equality at the Kibbutzim Seminary College in collaboration with the Ministry of Education. She is the honorary president of the Israel Academic Women's Association and a member of the Academic Committee promoting life-long learning for the Israel Adult Education Association.

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Yehuda. Dr. Yaakobi's research explores the relations between subgroups in Israeli society. Her dissertation dealt with the attitude toward immigrants from the Commonwealth of Independent States to Israel in the written media.

Simcha Getahun

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Fanny Ran

Independent researcher

Luisa Fanny Ran was born in Corrientes, Argentina, where she received both her formal and informal Jewish education. She graduated as a teacher from the Escuela Normal de Maestras Dr. Juan Pujol. She is a graduate of the Faculty of Medicine, School of Odontology, Universidad Nacional del Nordeste – UNNE, Corrientes, Argentina and lived in Buenos Aires. She is a former member of Zionist youth movements. After the Six Day War, she co-founded the renewed Tnuat Aliah in Argentina. Fanny Ran has lived in Israel since 1971. She earned a Master's Degree in Public Health from the Faculty of Medicine, School of Public Health, at The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, and has worked as a researcher in several fields of

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Prof. Ephrat Huss is a full professor of social work and art therapy at Ben-Gurion University of the Negev. Her overall areas of research are the interface between the arts and social practice and arts-based research: using the arts as a way of accessing the voices of marginalized populations, particularly amongst indigenous Bedouin women and youth in unrecognized villages in the south of Israel. She has published four books and over eighty articles on these subjects.

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Sergio DellaPergola is Professor Emeritus and former Chairman of the Hebrew University's Harman Institute of Contemporary Jewry. Born in Italy in 1942, he has lived in Israel since 1966. He earned his M.A. in Political Sciences from the University of Pavia and his Ph.D. in Social Sciences and Contemporary Jewry from The Hebrew University of Jerusalem. A specialist on the demography of world Jewry, he has published or edited 60 books and monographs including *Israel and Palestine: The Power of Numbers* (2008), *Jewish Demographic Policies: Population Trends and Options* (2011), *Diaspora vs. Homeland: Migration to Israel, 1991-2019* (2020), and over 300 papers on historical demography, the family, international migration, Jewish identification, antisemitism, and population projections. DellaPergola has lectured at universities and research centers in five continents and was senior policy consultant to the President of Israel, the Israeli Government, Israel's Central Bureau of Statistics, and major international organizations. He is the Chief Editor of *Hagira – Israel Journal of Migration*. He is a winner of the Sklare Award for distinguished achievement in the Social Scientific Study of Jewry (1999), and the Landau Prize for Demography and Migration (2013). DellaPergola is a member of Yad Vashem's Committee for the Righteous of the Nations.