



TAU mourns the loss of Rabbi Lord Jonathan Sacks z"l

Dear Anat,

All of us at Tel Aviv University are deeply saddened by the untimely passing of Rabbi Lord Jonathan Sacks z"l over the weekend.

This great humanist and educator, champion of intercultural dialogue, and moral voice in the UK and beyond, left his mark in countless ways.

We were honoured to spend several days with him on TAU's campus during our 2016 Board of Governors (BOG) meeting where he was bestowed with an Honourary Doctorate. Our Governors and friends from around the globe hung onto every word he uttered, be it during his many lectures on campus, at his acceptance speech during our Honourary Doctorate ceremony, or at the very special Shabbat dinner we hosted in his honour. He told us things that are so relevant today, that to defend freedom, you need education, and that institutions of learning are the guardians of our collective heritage. He said that Jews always made teachers their heroes, and at TAU we cannot agree with him more.

We were fortunate to engage with him in London, too, where he gave a keynote address at a dinner honouring TAU Governor and close friend of Rabbi Sacks, Prof Harold Preiskel, and again when we arranged a private meeting for him with one of our star faculty, Dr Rachel Sarig, who says Rabbi Sacks' advice and guidance stays with her every day.

We invite you to listen to his moving and memorable Honourary Doctorate acceptance speech on behalf of all recipients [HERE](#).

We dedicate this Newsletter to his memory and extend our deepest condolences to his wife, Lady Elaine, and the entire family. May his memory be for a blessing.

Kind regards,

David Meller CBE

Chair

Cara Case

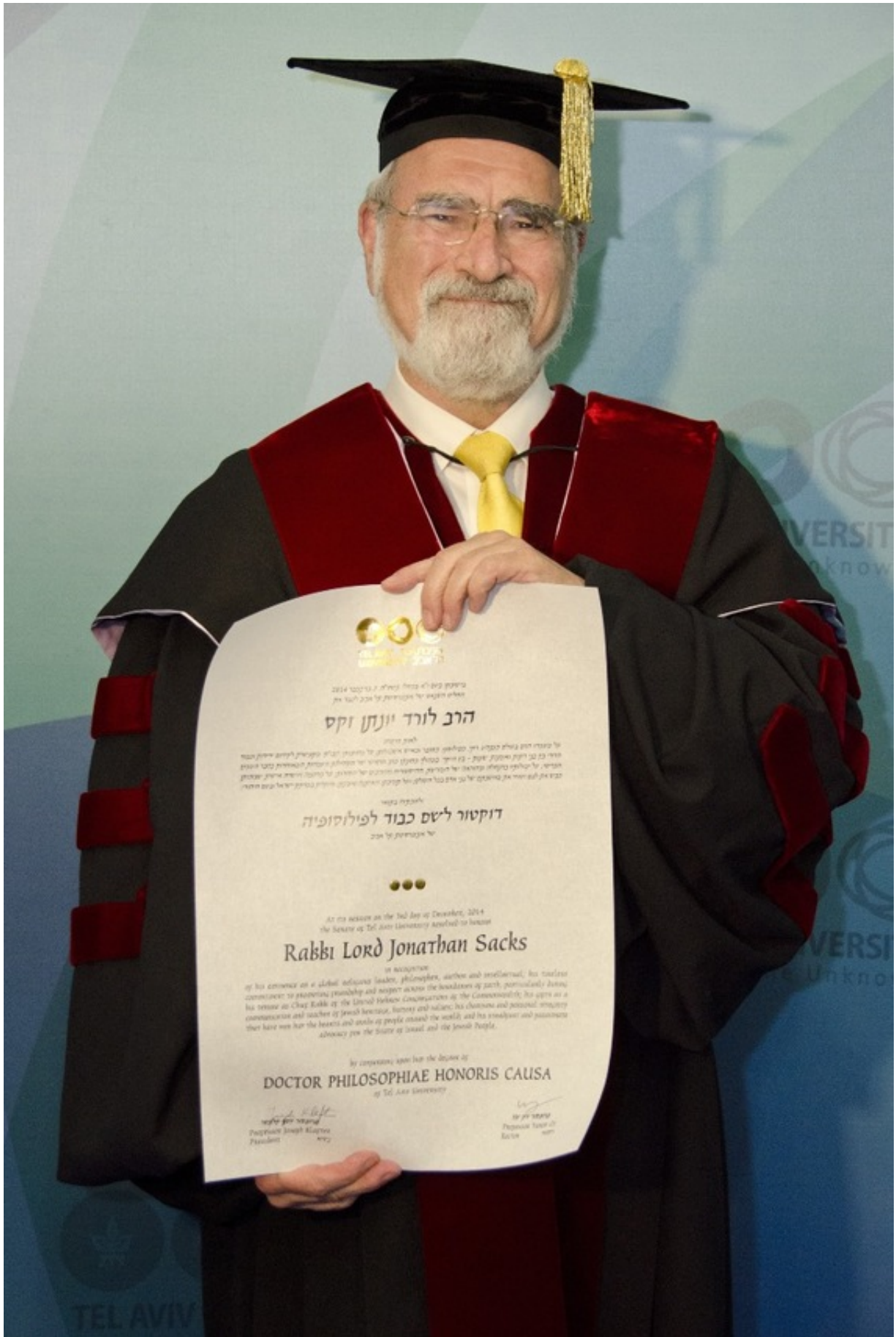
Chief Executive



To watch his Honorary Doctorate speech click [HERE](#) it starts at 1:06:39



Prof Yaron Oz, past Rector of TAU and Prof Yossi Klafter, past President of TAU with Rabbi Lord Sacks z"l (from left to right)



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