



Research Group:

The Legitimization of Modern Criminal Law - Outreach Lecture [↗](#)



Kathryn Campbell

Wrongful Convictions: Perspectives from Israel and Canada was the topic presented by **Kathryn Campbell**, a EURIAS Fellow (University of Ottawa) and **Anat Horovitz** (The Hebrew University & the National Public Defenders Office).

Wrongful convictions are no longer considered to be an unusual occurrence as part of the functioning of the criminal justice system in North America. DNA evidence has clearly demonstrated that people are regularly convicted and incarcerated for crimes they did not commit. Furthermore, a number of factors regularly present themselves, including: mistaken eyewitness identification, false confessions, fabricated jailhouse testimony, police and prosecutorial misconduct and faulty forensic science and expert testimony. The outreach lecture raised the issue of how miscarriages of justice have occurred in both Israel and Canada.

International Conference:

New Work in Political Philosophy [↗](#)

The conference, organized by **David Enoch** (The Hebrew University), 2012 Bruno recipient & **Niko Kolodny** (UC Berkeley), brought together thinkers working in political philosophy (and in other related areas) from the US, the UK, Australia, Israel, and elsewhere. As is often the case with political philosophy, discussions varied from the abstract to the concrete, from the ideal to the non-ideal, and from the general to the specific. Matters discussed included political obligation, the moral relevance of conventions, the nature and effect of consent, freedom and autonomy, wellbeing, and moral uncertainty. We hope that bringing together such an impressive group of thinkers to think about these matters will have a significant effect on political philosophy in this crucial stage in its history.



Left: David Enoch with Ekow Yankah (Cardozo School of Law, fellow of the Legitimization of Criminal Law RG) at Jerusalem tour by Ir-Amim

International Collaboration:

STIAS / Stellenbosch Institute for Advanced Study in South Africa

IIAS Director **Michal Linial** was invited to STIAS, together with the Director of the Nantes IAS, **Samuel Jube**, to explore potential venues for collegial collaboration. This visit was a follow-up to **Hendrik Geyer's** (STIAS Director) visit to the IIAS in 2015. The social and political composition of the two host countries, Israel and South Africa, bear many similarities in their challenges and opportunities. Michal gave a professional talk entitled "Big Data meets Human Health" in the presence of students, journalists, STIAS



Left to right: Morné Du Plessis - CEO of WWF South Africa, & University of Stellenbosch, Samuel Jube (Nantes, IAS Director), Michal Linial (IIAS Director), Hendrik Geyer (STIAS Director), Peter Vale (University of

fellows and representatives from South Africa. Michal summed up her visit with this comment: "There is no question in my mind that STIAS plays a fundamental role in the transformation of South Africa and beyond."

Movement Ecology Research Group - 10 Years Later



Left: Michal Linial with Ran Nathan

In 2006/7 **Ran Nathan** (The Hebrew University) led a group at The IIAS on "Movement Ecology: Establishing a Novel Interdisciplinary Field of Research to Explore the Causes, Patterns, Mechanisms and Consequences of Organism Movements." The Research Group's work matured into a new scientific field, and the establishment of the **Minerva Center of Movement Ecology** which held a two-day workshop at the IIAS.

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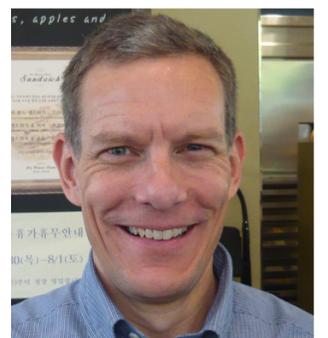
Forschungskollegs in Deutschland/ Centers of Excellence in Germany

A conference was held in Berlin to discuss the role of Institutes of Advanced Study within the German research system. This event was initiated by our colleagues from **FRIAS** (Freiburg Institute for Advanced Studies). It was an interesting extension to the discussions held last April (2016) in Jerusalem with **NetIAS** representatives. Approximately 150 representatives from the nineteen Centers of Excellence in Germany attended, together with delegates from **UBIAS** and **NetIAS**. Michal Linial presented the IIAS experience in light of interdisciplinarity and the role of the internalization of multicultural values in an academic setting. The meeting summarized ten years of Centers of Excellence in Germany, with a view toward upcoming opportunities for expanding the internationalization of German institutes.

Advanced School:

2016 Arrow Lecture

As part of the 27th Jerusalem School in Economic Theory: The Theory of Networks, the 2016 Arrow Lecture, **Gossip: Identifying Central Individuals in Networks and Diffusion Processes** – will be presented by Matthew O. Jackson, in the presence of Kenneth Arrow. Matthew is the William D. Eberle Professor Economics at Stanford University, an external faculty member of the Santa Fe Institute and a fellow of CIFAR. His research interests include game theory, microeconomic theory, and the study of social and economic networks. He is a Fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, a Fellow of the Econometric Society, an Economic Theory Fellow and a Member of the National Academy of Sciences. **The Arrow Lecture will take place July 4th at the IIAS at 17:00**



Matthew O. Jackson

Upcoming Events

 **June 13-17, 2016** ~ Stochastic Processes in the Cell Cycle Conference

 **June 27-July 6, 2016** ~ 26th Jerusalem School in Economic Theory

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