

Fred Lazin Introduction

Ladies and gentlemen, it is now my privilege to introduce you to an expert on Israeli affairs and politics...

He is a talented academic, who is a visiting scholar at the Taub Center for Israel Studies at NYU, and former professor at Ben Gurion University in Israel, where he established an Interdisciplinary Urban Studies Program and the Department of General Studies, in addition to chairing the departments of both Behavioral Science and Politics and Government...

He is a renowned scholar of Israel affairs, who has studied and taught Israeli society and politics at institutions around the world, including at Bordeaux University in France, the University of Sydney in Australia, and American University in Washington, D.C....

And he is a prolific writer, who has authored dozens of scholarly articles and multiple books dealing with comparative public policy, Israeli politics and society, and Jews in American politics, including his book, *The Struggle for Soviet Jewry in American Politics: Israel Versus the American Jewish Establishment*, for which he received the Israel Political Science Association's award.

Ladies and gentlemen, please welcome renowned author and professor, Fred Lazin.