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PROFESSIONAL

- 2009 – Present **Lauder School of Government, Diplomacy and Strategy, Reichman University.**
Assistant Professor (tenured).
Established and supervised RU's participation in the *Jean Pictet Competition in International Humanitarian Law*; RU won first place on two successive occasions.
International Program in Government, RRIS, Reichman University.
Academic Director.
- 2021 – Present **International Institute for Counter-Terrorism (ICT).**
Senior Researcher and Head of the International Law Desk.
- 2021 – Present **Lieber Institute for Law and Land Warfare, West Point.**
Senior Fellow.
- 2019 – Present **Modern War Institute, West Point.**
Adjunct Scholar (non-resident).
- Spring 2024 **Blavatnik School of Government, University of Oxford.**
Visiting Scholar.
- October 2019 **Emory Law School, Atlanta.**
International Law Clinic, Visiting Scholar.
- July 2014 **Sciences Po Law School, Paris.**
Visiting Faculty.
- March 2013 **Institut des Hautes Etudes Internationales, Université Panthéon-Assas, Paris.**
Visiting Faculty (course taught: *Israel & International Law*).
- 2001 - 2005 **Cleary, Gottlieb, Steen & Hamilton, New York.**
Associate.
- 2003 - 2004 **International Court of Justice, The Hague.**
Clerked for Judges Guillaume and Simma.
- Jan. - Apr. 2000 **United Nations, New York.**
Intern. Legal Affairs Department, Codification Division.

EDUCATION

- 2005 - 2010 **Tel-Aviv University, *Ph.D.***
- 2000 - 2001 **Yale Law School, *LL.M.***
Fulbright Scholarship (awarded); Yale Journal of International Law, Editor.
- 1998 - 1999 **University of Oxford, Diploma in Legal Studies, with *Distinction* (First).**
European Commission Scholarship; Hertford College Prize; Oxford Prize for *Distinction*.
- 1995 - 1999 **Université Panthéon-Assas (Paris II), *Law Degree, Very High Honors.***

PUBLICATIONS

- **Books**

UNDERGROUND WARFARE (Oxford University Press, 2018).

Reviewed in:

American Journal of International Law, by Andrea Harrison (114 A.J.I.L 178 (2020)).

Justice, by Professor Malcolm Shaw.

Perspectives on Terrorism, by Joshua Sinai.

Lawfare, by Jonathan Cedarbaum.

Small Wars Journal, by John Sullivan.

ROSENNE'S THE WORLD COURT: WHAT IT IS AND HOW IT WORKS (7th ed., Martinus Nijhoff Brill, 2021).

- **Edited Book**

THE SHIMON PERES LEGACY OF PEACE THROUGH FOURTEEN HISTORICAL SPEECHES, ON THE OCCASION OF THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF SHIMON PERES (David Fernandez Puyana and Daphné Richemond-Barak, eds.) (UPeace, 2023) (presented at the United Nations in Geneva in June 2023).

- **Journals**

From Treaties to Tweets: The (In)Formality of War Termination

14 Journal of National Security Law and Policy 339 (2024), with Laurie Blank.

Is Israel Winning the War on the Hamas Tunnels in Gaza?

Foreign Policy (2024).

Hamas Has Reinvented Underground Warfare

Foreign Affairs (2024).

Israel Must Destroy Hamas's Tunnels

Foreign Affairs (2023).

The Rise of Tunnel Warfare as a Tactical, Operational, and Strategic Issue

Studies in Conflict and Terrorism, with Stefan Voiculescu-Holvad (2023).

How Alive is the Anti-Death Penalty Norm? Evidence from the British and French Treatment of ISIS Foreign Fighters

8 Journal of Global Security Studies 1 (2023), with Asif Efrat.

Anticipating Global and Diffuse Risks to Prevent Conflict and Governance Breakdown: Lessons from the EU's Southern Neighbourhood

28 Democratization 1239 (2021), with Amichai Magen.

The Irony of the Iron Dome: Intelligent Defense Systems, Law and Security

7 Harvard Journal of National Security 469 (2016), with Ayal Feinberg.

Can Self-Regulation Work? Lessons from the Private Security and Military Industry

35 Michigan Journal of International Law 773 (2014).

Applicability and Application of the Laws of War in Modern Conflicts

23 Florida Journal of International Law 327 (2012).

Regulating War: A Taxonomy in Global Administrative Law

22 European Journal of International Law 1027 (2011).

Rethinking Private Warfare

5 Law and Ethics of Human Rights 159 (2011).

The International Court of Justice on Kosovo: Missed Opportunity or Dispute 'Settlement'?

23 Hague Yearbook of International Law 1 (2010).

Transnational Terrorist Organizations and the Use of Force

56 Catholic University Law Review 1001 (2007).

Normativity in International Law: The Case of Unilateral Humanitarian Intervention

6 Yale Human Rights and Development Law Journal 45 (2003).

- Book Chapters

Proxy Wars and International Law: A Critical Assessment

in THE ROUTLEDGE HANDBOOK OF PROXY WARS 85 (Assaf Moghadam, Vladimir Rauta and Michel Wyss, eds.) (2023).

Beneath the City

in UNDERSTANDING URBAN WARFARE (Liam Collins and John Spencer, Howgate Publishing, 2022).

Improving Disaster Risk Mitigation: Towards a ‘Multi- Hazard’ Approach to Terrorism

in THE CAMBRIDGE HANDBOOK OF DISASTER RISK REDUCTION AND INTERNATIONAL LAW (Katja Samuel, Marie Aronsson-Storrier, and Kirsten Nakjavani Bookmiller, eds.) (2019), with Katja Samuel and William Banks.

The Human Rights Council and the Convergence of Humanitarian Law and Human Rights Law

in COUNTERINSURGENCY LAW: NEW DIRECTIONS IN ASYMMETRIC WARFARE (William Banks, ed.) (Oxford U. Press, 2013).

Non-State Actors in Armed Conflicts: Issues of Reciprocity and Distinction

in NEW BATTLEFIELDS/ OLD LAWS: CRITICAL DEBATES ON ASYMMETRIC WARFARE (William Banks, ed.) (Columbia U. Press, 2011).

Commentary of Article 37 of the Statute of the International Court of Justice

in THE STATUTE OF THE INTERNATIONAL COURT OF JUSTICE (Andreas Zimmerman, Christian Tomuschat, Karin Oellers-Frahm, eds.) (Oxford U. Press, 2006 (3rd ed. 2019)), with Judge Bruno Simma.

The Oil Platforms Case before the International Court of Justice: A Non-Case of International Responsibility in

INTERNATIONAL RESPONSIBILITY TODAY, ESSAYS IN MEMORY OF OSCAR SCHACHTER (Maurizio Ragazzi, ed.) (Martinus Nijhoff, 2005), with Prosper Weil.

- Operation Swords of Iron (2023-24) – Selected Work:

- Oped, Le Monde, [Le 7 octobre, Le Hamas a commis des actes constitutifs de crimes contre l’humanité](#) (co-authored).
- Oped, Financial Times, [Israel Faces a Vicious Battle against Hamas](#) (2023).
- Selected interviews in the Israeli press: [YNET](#), [Channel 13](#), [Globes](#) (and [here](#)), [Maariv](#), [Jerusalem Post](#) (and [here](#)), [Israel Hayom](#) as well as repeated appearances at [N12](#) (Israel’s main TV channel).
- Selected interviews in the international media: [TIME](#), [MSNBC](#) (and [here](#)), [Economist](#), [CNN](#) (and [here](#), [CNN Newsroom](#), and [Erin Burnett Show](#)), [BBC](#), [Radio France](#) (and [here](#)), [Le Monde](#) (and [here](#)), [Le Figaro](#), [Financial Times](#), [New York Times](#) (and [here](#)), [Wall Street Journal](#) (also [here](#) and [here](#)), [Washington Post](#), [Daily Mail](#) (and [here](#)), [Messenger](#), [ABC News](#) (and [here](#)), [New York Post](#), [Reuters](#), [AP](#), [NPR](#) (and [here](#)), [France Info](#), [Globe and Mail](#), [FOX News](#), [The Telegraph](#).
- Selected Podcasts:
 - o *Is Israel Prepared for this Ground War?* [In the Room](#), podcast with Peter Bergen.
 - o *The Challenge of Tunnel Warfare*, Babbage, [The Economist](#), podcast with Joshi Shashank.
 - o *What Can the IDF Do about Hamas’s Tunnels?*, [Modern War Institute](#), podcast with John Spencer.
 - o *Hamas’s Tunnels*, [Ehad B’Yom](#), N12, podcast with Elad Simchayoff.
 - o *Hezbollah’s Tunnels*, [Ehad B’Yom](#), N12, podcast with Elad Simchayoff.

- Shorter Pieces

[From Khan Yunis to Fordow: The Strategy of Subterranean Spaces](#), Modern War Institute (2025).

[Earth, Sun, and Water: The Elements that Fuel Hamas’s Tunnels](#), Small Wars Journal (2025).

[Could Emerging Technologies Have Helped to Avoid the Tragic Killing of Humanitarian Workers in Gaza?](#), Modern War Institute (2024), with Larry Lewis.

[Prioritizing Humanitarian AI as Part of Responsible AI](#), Articles of War (2023), with Larry Lewis.

[Beyond Killer Robots: How AI Impacts Security, Military Affairs](#), C4ISRNET (2022).

[Making Technology Work for Humanitarian Purposes in War](#), National Interest (2022).

[From Gaza to Ukraine: Three Principles of Underground Warfare](#), Jerusalem Post (2022).

[Will the UAE Bring Change to the UN Security Council?](#), Jerusalem Post (2022).

[The Genius of Dubai's EXPO: A Lesson in Nation-Branding](#), Jerusalem Post (2022).

[America's Afghan Withdrawal Validates the Abraham Accords](#), MirYam Institute (2021).

[Technology, Humanity, and the End of War](#), Articles of War (2021), with Laurie Blank, Eric Jensen, and Larry Lewis.

[Europe's Bystander Approach to the Abraham Accords Harms its Own Interests](#), MirYam Institute (2021).

[ICC Decision Clarifies: Israel Needs a Robust Strategy](#), JPost, (2021) (see [here](#) for a longer version, and [here](#) for Hebrew).

[Ending Wars: The Law of War's Latest Source of Stress](#), Articles of War (2020), with Laurie Blank.

[A Political Crisis amid COVID-19 Should \(and Could\) Have Been Avoided](#), Jerusalem Post (2020).

[Of Temporal Jurisdiction and Power Struggles in the ICC's Palestine Investigation](#), EJIL Talk! (2020).

[It's Too Early to Declare Victory Against the Underground](#), Globes (2019) (in Hebrew).

[The Underground Threat is Growing: As Militaries Become More Sophisticated and the Technology Advances, Terrorist organizations will Make Greater Use of the Subterranean](#), The Marker (2019) (in Hebrew).

[Is Israel Winning the Underground Fight?](#), Small Wars Journal (2018).

[While the North Korean Button Cools, The Threat of the Underground Lingers](#) (2018), Modern War Institute, with John Spencer.

[Foreign Volunteers or Foreign Fighters? The Emerging Legal Framework Governing Foreign Fighters](#), Opinio Juris (2016), with Victoria Barber.

[Is Money A Legitimate Target?](#), Just Security (2016).

[Why ISIS Does Not Threaten Our World Order](#), Die Zeit (in German) (2015), with F. B. and Daniel J. Schuster.

[2015\) Duty at the ICC](#), EJIL Talk! (European Journal of Int'l Law online) (2015) (in top 20 of EJIL Talk!'s most read posts in 2015).

[An ASIL AUME? Counterterrorism and Congressional Authorization in the United States](#), ICONNECT (Int'l Journal of Constitutional Law online) (2014), with William Banks and Myriam Feinberg.

ACADEMIC HONORS AND AWARDS

Prize Chaikin awarded by the Chair in Geostrategy at the University of Haifa to UNDERGROUND WARFARE, for its contribution to the geostrategy of Israel and the Middle East (2019).

Lauder School of Government, Diplomacy and Strategy – Best Teacher Award (2021); Best Researcher Award (2018).

Fulbright Scholarship (awarded) (2000).

European Commission Scholarship (1999).

Hertford College Prize and Oxford Prize for *Distinction* (1999).

RESEARCH GRANTS

Sanctions, Accountability, and the Russia-Ukraine War, Program on Democratic Resilience and Development (2023).

Horizon 2020 (highly competitive grant consortium awarded by the European Commission), EU-LISTCO, *Fostering Resilience in Areas of Limited Statehood and Contested Orders* (my contribution consists in analyzing, mapping, and ranking threats facing the EU – from geopolitical changes to environmental disasters and epidemics) (2018-2021).

Minerva Center for the Rule of Law under Extreme Conditions for *Underground Warfare* (2017).

Lauder Fund for Academic Advancement for project titled *Meeting the World's Expectations: Measuring States' Deference to the International Court of Justice* (2016).

Lauder Fund for Academic Advancement for *Underground Warfare* (2015).

OTHER

Legal adviser to Judge Aharon Barak, judge *ad hoc* nominated by Israel in the case *Application of the Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide in the Gaza Strip (South Africa v. Israel)* before the International Court of Justice (2024).

Selected and led two successive teams of Government students as part of the [Manara Center for Coexistence and Dialogue](#), established by the United Arab Emirates. The students presented their research papers at high-level ceremonies in Abu Dhabi in November 2024 and May 2025.

Co-founder and co-director of [The End of War Project](#), a multi-year project established in 2019 and exploring legal and policy issues arising from never-ending wars, the decline of formal peace settlements, the release of convicted terrorists, and more. Organized inaugural workshop as part of ICT's 2019 Annual Summit, three online events as part of its Fall 2020 Global Dialogue (*Do Wars Actually End in the 21st Century?* with Seth Jones and Naz Modirzadeh, co-sponsored by the Modern War Institute; *What's the Best Way to End Wars?* with Prof. Tanisha Fazal and Prof. Paul Williams; and *Can Technology Bring About the End of War?* with Prof. Eric Jensen, Dr. Jacob Stoil and Dr. Larry Lewis, co-sponsored by CNA). The End of War Project also held a conference at the West Point Military Academy in March 2022 (with the Lieber Institute for Law and Land Warfare), an international conference at Reichman University in June 2022 (with the Program on Democratic Resilience and Development and the American Red Cross), and a workshop on *The Role of International Courts in Ending Wars* at the Blavatnik School of Government in 2024 (Oxford University) in 2024. A conference on this latter topic is scheduled to take place at George Washington Law School in September 2025.

Founder of the [International Working Group on Subterranean Warfare](#) (2019).

Submitted [Amicus Curiae Observations](#) in *Situation in the State of Palestine* to the International Criminal Court (2020), in cooperation with The Hague Initiative for International Co-operation (Thinc.) (2020).

Member of the Advisory Board of the **International Counter-Terrorism Review**.

Member of the Governing Board of the **Konrad Adenauer Stiftung-Lauder School Program on Democratic Resilience & Renewal**.

New Battlefields, Old Laws, a multi-year project established by the International Institute for Counter-Terrorism and the Institute for National Security and Counterterrorism at Syracuse University (2006-2018). Organized an annual workshop every year for ten years, and two books and numerous blogs were published as part of the project.

Legal Adviser to Colombia in the case concerning the *Territorial and Maritime Dispute (Nicaragua v. Colombia)* before the International Court of Justice (2007).

Bar admissions: New York (2002), Paris (2003).

Memberships: Member of the American Political Science Association, the American Society of International Law, the International Studies Association, the Israel Political Science Association, the Association for Israel Studies, and Forum Dvora.

Reviewer: Oxford University Press, Israel Science Foundation, Perspectives on Terrorism, Journal of Human Security, International Affairs, Israel Law Review, and more.

Supervision:

- Directed and supervised General Sharon Afek and Col. Eli Bar-On final papers at the IDF's Military Academy.
- Supervised numerous theses and final projects for students enrolled in masters programs at Reichman University, as well as potential candidates to our newly-opened Ph.D. program.

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS AND CONFERENCES

Maritime Spaces and International Security

L'Académie de la Mer, Monaco (2025 and 2024).

The Unintended Consequences of Military Superiority: The Case of Subterranean Warfare

Annual Conference of the Israel Political Science Association, Ben Gurion University (2025).

Tunnel Vision: U.S.-Israel Cooperation and the Future of Underground Warfare

FDD event with John Spencer and Lt. Col. (ret) Jonathan Conricus (2025).

The Peaceful Resolution of Disputes: Current Cases before the ICJ and the ICC

Joint Program Postgraduate Diploma on Peaceful Coexistence: Reinforcing Peace, Human Rights, and Development (King Hamad Global Center for Peaceful Coexistence) (2024).

Expert Roundtable on Subterranean Warfare in Gaza and Lebanon

World Summit of International Institute of Counter-Terrorism, keynote (2024).

Underground Warfare: Swords of Iron and Beyond

World Summit of International Institute of Counter-Terrorism, keynote (2024).

Underground Warfare & Operation Swords of Iron

Blavatnik School of Government, Oxford University (2024).

Stanford Israel Studies Program (2024).

International Law Seminar, All Souls College, Oxford University (2024).

Humanitarian AI

Institute for Ethics in AI, Oxford University (2024).

Water and Security in the Middle East

COP 28, Dubai (2023).

Cyber in War: Lessons from the Russia-Ukraine Conflict

American University, Washington College of Law (2023).

Russian Sanctions: A Paradigm Shift?

Israel Association for International Studies (2023), with Dan Ganor.

The Unintended Consequences of Military Superiority: Subterranean Tactics at the Indo-Pak Border

How Alive is the Anti-Death Penalty Norm? Evidence from the British and French Treatment of ISIS Foreign Fighters

International Studies Association Annual Conference, Montreal (2023).

REAIM 2023: Responsible AI in the Military Domain

Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Netherlands & South Korea, The Hague (2023).

When Technology Meets Humanity: Democratic Resilience at the End of War

Reichman University (2022), conference organizer, with the Program on Democratic Resilience and Development & the American Red Cross.

When Technology Meets Humanity: Exploring How Emerging Tech Can Facilitate and Protect at the End of Conflict

West Point Military Academy (2022), conference organizer, with the Lieber Institute for Law and Land Warfare.

Urban Operations Expert Talks

University of Leoben, Austria (2022).

Underground Warfare: Legal and Operational Dilemmas

International Society for Military Law and the Law of War, Florence (2022).

On AiR: IR in the Age of AI

Podcast of Tokyo International University, on Iron Dome, AI, and underground warfare (available [here](#)) (2022).

AI in Security and Military Affairs

Institute for Ethics in AI, Oxford University (2021).

Underground Warfare: Trends, Challenges and Opportunities

Subterranea Britannica (2021).

Beneath the Streets

Urban Warfare Project Podcast, Modern War Institute, with Maj. (Ret.) John Spencer (available [here](#)) (2021).

Subterranean Seminar, British Army (2021)

Urban Warfare and Underground Warfare

Future Operational Environment Course at the US Army School of Advanced Military Studies (SAMS) (2021).

The ICC's Territorial Jurisdiction in Palestine

Ghent International Law Institute (2020).

Thought Leaders: Urban Operations, [Part I](#) and [Part II](#)

Association of the United States Army's "Army Matters Podcast" (2020).

Annexation – Yes or No?

Lauder School of Government, Diplomacy and Strategy online event (organizing committee).

The Impact of Artificial Intelligence on Security Affairs

Hong Kong University, Law and Technology Center (available [here](#)) (2020).

AI in Security and Military Affairs: Beyond Killer Robots

Artificial Intelligence and Modern Warfare Conference, IDC/RU (2019).

Globes Conference for the Security Industry, Herzog Fox Neeman

Interview with Col. (ret.) Daniel Reisner on urban warfare (2019) ([here](#) in Globes in Hebrew).

Subterranean Threats in War and Peace

Three-day international, multi-disciplinary conference co-organized with Prof. Rivka Weill (Harry Radzyner Law School), and co-sponsored by Modern War Institute and the Lieber Institute of Law and Land Warfare at West Point, the U.S. Embassy in Israel, and the Israeli Ministry of Defense. Includes the creation of the Inaugural Meeting of the International Working Group on Subterranean Warfare (2019) (organizing committee) (see interview in Israel Hayom [here](#)).

Hezbollah's Plan to 'Conquer the Galilee' and Israel's Counter-Tunnel Operation

Emory Law School (2019).

Subterreanean Threats in Counter-Terrorism

Counter-Terrorism Executive Directorate (CTED), United Nations (2019).

From Treaties to Tweets: The (In)Formality of War Termination

World Summit on Counter-Terrorism, International Institute for Counter-Terrorism (2019).

Cross-Border Tunnels between Lebanon and Israel: Geography, Geology, and Underground Invasion Strategies

International Conference on Military Geosciences, Italy (2019).

Situation Workshop

Naval War College, Rhodes Island (June 2019).

[Underground Warfare Webinar](#)

American Society of International Law (Law & Technology Interest Group) (2019).