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## The Open University of Israel appoints Prof. Leo Corry as its Tenth President

On Tuesday, June 20, 2023, members of the Open University Council, headed by the chancellor, Dorit Beinisch, President (Ret.) of the Supreme Court of Israel, ratified the decision of the Executive Committee, headed by Dr. Uri Yaron, to appoint Prof. Leo Corry as 10th president of the Open University. Prof. Corry will replace outgoing president Prof. Mimi Ajzenstadt on October 1.

Prof. Corry is a full professor of history and philosophy of science at Tel Aviv University. He holds a bachelor's degree in mathematics from Simón Bolívar University in Caracas and a master's degree in mathematics from Tel Aviv University. He received his PhD from Tel Aviv University in the field of history of mathematics.

In 1996, Prof. Corry was appointed a senior faculty member at the Cohn Institute for the History and Philosophy of Science and Ideas at Tel Aviv University. His research focuses on the history of mathematics and physics since the nineteenth century. He has published seven books and dozens of articles in this field, was the editor in chief of the journal *Science in Context* for a decade and an editorial member of other journals in his field. Prof. Corry has translated into Hebrew the literary works of prominent Latin American writers. He is a co-inventor for twenty international patents in the field of electronic data storage.

Prof. Corry was a researcher and visiting professor at ETH Zurich, the Max Planck Institute in Berlin, and MIT in Boston. He held a variety of positions at Tel Aviv University, including Director of the Institute for History and Philosophy of Science, Director of the Graduate School of Historical Studies and Dean of Humanities.

In the past, Prof. Corry served as a course coordinator at the Open University, and developed the course The History of Mathematics: From Ancient Greece to Euler.

"I am excited to be appointed tenth president of the Open University in the fiftieth year of its founding," Corry said in a statement. "I intend to do my best to advance the goals of one of the most important and influential institutions of higher education in Israel."

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