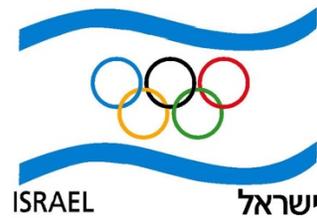




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## **The Olympic Committee of Israel (OCI)**

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## **Preface**

The Olympic Committee of Israel (OCI) sees the promotion of Olympism as an integral part of all our activities and implements it in practice. By raising awareness for the unique power of sport as a relevant tool for social dialogue and inclusion, we can create a mutual understanding as well as a more peaceful world.

This report, edited by Yarden Har Lev, presents our educational and cultural work throughout the country for 2019. I believe those activities could provide a model for other countries which are part of the Fair Play family, and therefore I recommend that the EFPM will encourage all the organization's members to adopt similar activities into their outreach and educational initiatives.

Sincerely,

Eytan Barak

Member of the Executive Board, the Olympic Committee of Israel

Chair of the Audit Committee, The European Fair Play Movement

## The 1<sup>st</sup> International Conference on Sport and Gender

The Olympic Committee of Israel (OCI), alongside with the Academic College at Wingate, conducted the 1<sup>st</sup> International Conference on Sport and Gender. The aim of the conference was to raise awareness of the necessary changes in women's sport, in order to maximise the athletic potential of girls and women, to ensure a safe environment for training and competition, and discuss the challenges in women's sport and to promote equality between men and women in Israel.

The ground-breaking conference hosted an impressive list of guests, such as Mrs. Nancy Liebermann, basketball legend and an Olympic Medallist and Mr. Igal Carmi, the president of the OCI. Even the IOC President Mr. Thomas Bach sent a recorded greeting as the opening words of the conference.

During the conference Mrs. Liebermann urged, *"Dear women, if you do not believe in yourselves, who will? Stop blaming men. Only you will decide where you want to go and how far you want to reach. We have an opportunity here to change the perception and reality of women in sport. I am a woman, a coach, an athlete and a mother. My message is never stop working or dreaming and you will be able to achieve it all."*

In all, the event was attended by over 200 participants, including sport managers, coaches, athletes, journalists, students and teachers of physical education. The conference was the result of a long and continuous work of the Gender Equality committee of the OCI.



*From left to right: Mrs. Yael Arad, Chair of the sports committee of the OCI and Mrs. Suzy Yogev, Chair of the Gender Equality Committee in the OCI*



*Mrs. Nancy Lieberman, the honorary guest*

## The 2019 Israel Olympic Quiz

The International Olympic Day has become a day of celebration in Israel, a significant step toward realizing the Olympic ideal and exposing the Israeli public to the Olympic Movement and its values. For the fourth consecutive year, the Israeli Center for Olympic Studies, under the roof of the OCI and the Academic College at Wingate, has commemorated the International Olympic Day with the 'Olympic Quiz Finals'. In the spirit of the 1<sup>st</sup> International Conference on Sport and Gender, the main subject of the 2019 Israel Olympic Quiz was women and Olympic Sport, so the issue of gender equality in sports was expressed significantly through the questions. Eight students of physical education from all over Israel qualified for the Finals.



*Mr. Gili Lustig, CEO of the Olympic Committee of Israel    Judges' panel of the 2019 Israel Olympic Quiz*



*Ms. Yarden Har Lev, the moderator and initiator of the Israel Olympic Quiz with the eight finalists of 2019.*

## **Olympism in Action**

The OCI implements and promotes Olympism into educational frameworks throughout the country by three main programs. For 2019, 4155 pupils in 65 schools across Israel took part in the following projects:

### **Olympic Values Education Program (OVEP)**

The program was developed based on a theoretical notion that sees top athletes as role models who influence teenagers and adults alike. This program is designed to introduce the values of Olympism via five sessions over the year:

1. The Olympic Games: from ancient Greece to modern history, symbols and slogans.
2. Blue and white moments: Israeli medalists, prominent athletes and the Munich Massacre.
3. The Olympic values and the Paralympic values.
4. A visit in "The Olympic Experience" (an audiovisual tour at the Visitors' Center of the Israel Olympic Committee) and a meeting with Israeli Olympic athletes.
5. Top event – organizing the Olympic Day at school, as part of the International Olympic Day.

### **Champions Class Program**

A program based on a personal connection between the students and Olympians, which gives students an opportunity to undergo an educational process in the Olympic spirit.

The program includes 4 sessions throughout the year ,accompanied by a retired athlete:

- A visit at "The Olympic Experience" including a meeting with retired Olympic athlete.
- 2 lessons guided by the same athlete at the school classroom.
- OTD activity/training from the athletes' field of specialization.

### **Olympic Classroom**

A program based on matching Olympians / Paralympian with classrooms for an entire school year of scaled mentorship - communicating through pre-recorded video lessons. Lessons focus on values associated with Olympism.

