



Name and position today and a short background

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Biography and short CV

Prof Yaacov J Katz is a senior member of the faculty of the School of Education at Bar-Ilan University in Israel and specializes in the fields of religious education and values, affective education and social attitudes in education. He is a past member of the executive committee of the International Seminar on Religious Education and Values (ISREV) and has been a member of the European Affective Education Network (EAEN) since its inception. He is also a member of the Athens Institute for Education and Research (ATINER) in the Education as well as Psychology Research Units. Prof Katz is a prominent researcher in the above fields and has published a number of edited books and many scholarly book chapters and papers in scientific journals on educational issues related to the three topics in which he specializes.

In his administrative capacities, Prof Katz has served Head of the School of Education at Bar-Ilan University and has also served as Chief Pedagogic Officer of the Israel Ministry of Education where he was responsible for all subject matter taught in the Israeli national school system.

Special interests – Current projects

Prof Katz specializes in research in the field of religious education and values as well in the field of religiosity and spirituality among children and adults. He has written numerous papers on the relationship between religiosity and social attitudes as well as on the uniqueness of state religious educational system in Israel

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