

Investing in People who Invest in Community



EOLI NEWS

August 2026



Keeping you connected! A quick roundup from us.



Cohort V LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME 2026 HIGHLIGHTS



We are into the last stretch of our jammed-packed 2026 Leadership Development Programme, with Action Learning launching at the end of July 2026. We are showcasing the final presentations for community orgs and leaders at the Culmination on 3 November 2026 - Save the Date!



In our Community in Context Module, our participants had the opportunity to meet and engage with community leaders to gain insights and perspectives on their leadership journeys, and about the challenges and opportunities facing our community in change.

Welcome to EOLI's
Incoming Chair
Russel Berman
Graduate LDP Cohort IV 2024



Board Update

We would like to welcome **Russel Berman** as EOLI's incoming Chair. Russel is a graduate of the flagship Leadership Development Programme from Cohort IV 2024. He will take over the reins from veteran leader, Ronnie Stein.



Step Forward Volunteer Programme Launch

Step Forward's unique value: a vital, multi-functional electronic platform focused on volunteer recruitment, coordination and training. A great organisation communication tool directly into the hands of volunteers, safe and easy to use. There are 25 organisations listed, and growing! Download the app from your Apple & Google Play Stores, fill in the 5-Step form or visit www.osrinleadership.org for more information.



The Step Forward Volunteer Programme was instrumental in collecting donations for those impacted by the Dorchester Mansions fire. Our volunteers set up a “shop” where the affected families and Bachurim could come and hand-select the items they needed.

LIMMUD

Level-Up: Building Your Professional Edge
session is scheduled for Sunday 16 August at 11h45



Gia Whitehead
CEO & Founding Director
TSIBA Business School



Harry Scherzer
CEO & Co-Founder
Future Forex



Dalit Cohen
Lawyer in Sustainable
Development, Senior
Research & Knowledge
Advisor at the Chandler
Institute of Justice

Powered by The Eliot Osrin Leadership Institute in collaboration with Staffwise, ORT Jet & Entrepreneurs' Network, this 1 hour interactive session will be a 'real-life' simulation to showcase what's to come for graduates & young adults who enter the world of work.

See you there









Limmud SA August 2026

EOLI in collaboration with Staffwise, ORT SA CAPE JET and Entrepreneurs Network designed a session with a guest panel to support Graduates to tackle real workplace challenges, strengthen leadership mindset, and leave with practical tools to grow confidence, networks and strategies to navigate their transition with success. This took place at Limmud, Sunday 16 August 2026, and was a resounding success.



Introducing The Graduate Leadership & Internship Programme for Jewish Students & Graduates in Cape Town

ARE YOU A FINAL YEAR STUDENT OR RECENT GRADUATE?

WOULD YOU LIKE TO GAIN LEADERSHIP & WORK-READINESS SKILLS?

INTERESTED?

Contact us!



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Graduate Leadership Programme

To People-Proof our community and in line with our mandate, EOLI plants seeds, equips and encourages graduates and young adults to join our vibrant and hard-working community organisations, while encouraging Jewish-led businesses to their open doors. This is done by facilitating leadership workshops, coaching and mentorship, networking and events.



Matric Community Day

This year Cape Town Torah High School Matrics joined the Herzlia Matric Community Day 2026, with an immersion into community. Learners selected organisations in line with their subject choices and interests across 6 sectors in the community. Organisations programme a deep dive into their mandates for learners to gain an understanding of their critical work.

Your volunteer moments can linger long after.....



"Volunteering has shown me that even something as simple as sitting and talking with someone can make them feel seen, valued, and less alone. I've learnt that making an impact doesn't always require a huge gesture. I've found the biggest impact comes from showing up consistently, listening, and reminding someone that they matter."

Lexi Phillips - Herzlia Learner

Be the Heartbeat of our Community

Join our Volunteer Team

Step Forward
Volunteer Programme

Inspired by Matric Community Day, one of the Herzlia learners, Lexi Phillips, has taken her role as a volunteer seriously and has Stepped Forward.... She is profiled together with 2 other volunteers in the Cape Jewish Chronicle in the latest issue.

Exclusive Eliot Osrin Leadership Institute Master Class Executive Series

Command the Room, Move the Mission

A Masterclass for Senior Community Executives Who Lead Teams That Matter

Thursday 30 July 14h00-18h30



Master the art of executive presence and team performance. Designed for Chairs, Vice-Chairs & Executive Mancoms who are lay (volunteer) leaders driving and shaping tangible impact.

Objectives: Empowering Community Leaders to Lead with Authenticity, Influence, and Purpose - Beyond operational skill to build trust, clear communication, & lead meaningful change.

Faculty Spotlight



Dr. Mark Rittenberg: Professor and Executive Coach at UC Berkeley Haas School of Business, Distinguished Teaching Fellow & Cheit Award recipient. His pedagogy integrates communication, storytelling, coaching, and visionary leadership. Founded the Berkeley Executive Coaching Institute (1,800+ executive coaches trained worldwide).



Ingrid Gavshon: Lecturer at UC Berkeley Haas and CEO of the Angel Group. Executive coach and award-winning documentary filmmaker, helping leaders communicate with impact.

Fee R1200
Venue TBC



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Command the Room, Move the Mission Executive Leadership Masterclass

In July EOLI hosted Prof Mark Rittenberg and Ingrid Gavshon from the Haas School of Business, UC Berkeley. In this masterclass we focussed on strengthening authenticity, influence and purpose to lead meaningful change. Building trust, clear communication, effective peer coaching, and the creation of a compelling personal vision for the future.



wishes you
Shanah Tovah

**“The highest form of leadership
is not creating followers, but
empowering others to build
something that outlasts us all.”**

Rabbi Lord Jonathan Sacks

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