Much has been discussed about the strategic and economic importance of the recent normalization of relations between Israel and the UAE (as part of the “Abraham Accords”), that bring forth opportunities to collaborate on many fronts. Motivated by the spirit of entrepreneurship and curiosity, universities are uniquely positioned to easily establish ties with researchers and institutions across the globe. Can we expect the regional changes to also manifest in the academic arena?

The honorable speakers will discuss the ways universities are promoting and supporting these changes; the ways universities function and prosper under different regimes; the role of social scientists and scholars in pushing forward regional agreements; as well as the potential role of Arabic speaking Palestinian citizens and residents of Israel in advancing these newly formed relationships.

Join His Excellency Zaki Anwar Nusseibeh, Cultural Advisor to the UAE President and Chancellor of the United Arab Emirates University and Prof. Ron Robin, President of the University of Haifa in Israel for a discussion on the Abraham Accords normalization of relations, the academic scene in both countries, and the role of researchers, professors and students in promoting regional peace.

The discussion will be moderated by Dr. Shahar Sadeh, Director of the Faculty Engagement Program at JCRC-NY

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