# Curriculum vitae -Michael Sternberg 2015

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# Education

2014 – present
2008 Ph.D. student, Conflict Management and Resolution, Ben-Gurion University.
2008 MA in Applied Conflict Transformation Studies. Novi Sad University, Serbia.
1982 MA in Sociology and Social Anthropology. Hebrew University of Jerusalem.

1976 BA in Sociology. Hebrew University of Jerusalem.

# **Current professional positions**

# **2013 - present**

Research fellow at the Martin Springer Center for Conflict Studies and Negotiation at Ben-Gurion University:

The contribution of intra-group dialogue to processes of conflict transformation.

The role of "bottom up" strategies to processes of transitional justice.

## **2012 - present**

Director of Knowledge Development – Shatil, the New Israel Fund's Initiative for Social Change. Aim: The development of action and research based knowledge on principles, strategies and best practices for social change and conflict transformation. Knowledge that serves civil society and professionals in the promotion of social - economic justice and the strengthening of democracy.

## **2007** – **present**

International work as consultant, facilitator, and trainer of conflict transformation strategies, programs and skills:

- Coordinator of the International Peace builders' Forum; 2015 and 2016, Initiatives for Change, Caux, Switzerland.
- Keynote speaker at the Impact Initiatives for Change conference; 2014; Initiatives for Change, Caux, Switzerland.
- Strategy consultation of Middle East conflict transformation programs; 2012/2013; The International Center for the Study of Radicalization, King's College, UK and the Atkin Foundation, UK.
- Strategy consultation on conflict transformation programs; 2012/13; the Israeli Palestinian Center for Research and Information [IPCRI].
- Design and facilitation of research group on social, economic and political dimensions of conflict transformation strategies; 2012-2014, Oxford Research Group, UK and the Van Leer Institute, Israel.
- Training and facilitation of project group on challenges of migration, Islam phobia and shared society in Germany; 2012/2013; Schura and IKM, Germany.
- Training and facilitation of project team on migration and Islam phobia; 2013; Transform, Germany.
- Training and facilitation of project teams on migration and shared society; 2010 2013; Critical Mass, Netherlands.
- Program evaluation and strategy consultation; 2010; the bi national steering committee of the Palestinian Israeli Peace NGO Forum and Transform, Berlin.
- Training of project teams on migration and promotion of shared societies in Europe; 2010; Transform, Boell Foundation, Anna Lindh foundation.
- Facilitation of courses on conflict transformation skills and strategies for leaders of civil society organizations, international and local agencies involved in work in and on conflict in Africa, Asia, the Middle East, Central and South America and East Europe; 2008/9; Responding to Conflict, UK.

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• Design and development of the Kumi Method for social transformation in conflict; 2007 – 2009; Transform, Berlin, IICP, Vienna, ICA, USA and UK.

## Previous professional experience

### 2005 - 2012

Director - Conflict Transformation and Management Center [CTMC], Shatil, the New Israel Fund's Initiative for Social Change.

Aim: lead a "think and do tank" on conflict transformation strategies, tools and skills relevant to the work of activists and leaders involved in conflict transformation work in Israel.

#### 2004 - 2010

Director - Organizational Development Department, Shatil, the New Israel Fund's Initiative for Social Change.

Aim: Provide social change organizations with training and consultation relevant to the tasks and challenges of effective social change programs.

## 1986-2003

Self-employed Organizational Development Consultant.

## **Lecturer in institutions of higher education**

## **2015** – **present**

Ben-Gurion University, the Department of Politics and Government. Course: Community involvement in transitional justice – theory, research and praxis.

## 2013 - 2015

Ben-Gurion University, the Department of Education. Course: Encountering narratives of the other in the Israeli Palestinian conflict.

## 2008 - 2010

Ben-Gurion University, the M.A. Program for Conflict Management and Resolution. Course: Conflict and change.

## 1996 - 2012

Haifa University, the Program for Psycho Dynamic Group Facilitation. Courses: Processes in groups; conflict perspectives on groups and society; gender perspectives in groups.

# **Publications**

Ben David, Y., Hameiri, B., Benheim, S., Leshem, B., Sarid, A., Sternberg, M., Nadler, A., & Sagy, S. (Under review). Exploring ourselves within inter-group conflict: the role of intra-group dialogue in the acknowledgment of collective narratives of self and "other" and willingness towards reconciliation. *Peace and Conflict: Journal of Peace Psychology*.

Badawi, A, Sipes, B., & Sternberg, M. (2013). From antagonism to resonance: Some methodological insights and dilemmas. In J. Rothman (Ed.). *From Identity Based Conflict to Identity Based Cooperation* (pp 71-97). New York, NY: Springer Publications.

Brashear, M, Sipes, B., & Sternberg, M. (2012) Social transformation in conflict and the Kumi Method. In S.A. Manichev & A. Redlich. (Eds.). *Embedding Mediation in Society, Theory – Research – Practice – Training* (pp151-160). Frankfurt, Germany: Peter Lang.

Asacla, J., Halabi, M., Katz, I., Neiman, G., Piorko, Y., Rosen, R., Shalaby, S., Sternberg, M., & Stieglitz, C. (2005). About the dialogue between Palestinians and Jews in organizations in Israel. *Human Resources*, 208-9(46-51). (Hebrew, Reprinted in Organizational Analysis, 2007).