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## RABBINIC ORDINATION AND HIGHER EDUCATIONAL.

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- Rabbinic Ordination as both a Rabbi (Yoreh Yoreh) and a Dayan (Yadin Yadin) in all areas of Shulchan Aruch, by the Supreme Rabbinical Court of Israel.
- BSc. Economics, Politics and International Relations (Hons) – London School of Economics and Political Science, London - UK.
- Law – University of Milan (Milan, Italy).
- Member of the Chartered Institute of Arbitration.
- Member of the London Institute of Banking and Finance.

## **PROFESSIONAL HISTORY IN THE JEWISH SECTOR:**

### JAN. 16 TO PRESENT - FOUNDING RABBI OF KEHILAS AHAVAS YISRAEL (EDGWARE).

- Founding Rabbi of Kehilas Kodesh Ahavas Yisrael, in Edgware, a new Kehilah, under the auspices of the Chief Rabbi and an initiative of the United Synagogue.
- The community's mission statement is: "To be a family-oriented, inclusive, orthodox, Israel-friendly community that attracts men, women, youth and children who desire meaningful davening, an inspirational educational programme, socialising, communal events and share the ethos of the United Synagogue."
- We have already attracted 100 members and have already commissioned and purchased our first Sefer Torah in an initiative put forth by me. Funds were raised in less than a month.
- Develop and implement innovative educational strategies aimed at engaging current and prospective members regardless of where they may be in their spiritual journey.

### JUNE 2014 TO PRESENT – HALACHIC ARBITRATION AND MEDIATION CENTRE (WWW.JEWISHARBITRATION.CO.UK)

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- General Consultancy on Monetary Matters according to Jewish Law.
- Guidance and problem resolution in accordance with Jewish Law and customs.

- Heter Iskah.
- Halachic Wills.

SEPT. 17 TO PRESENT – HALACHIC AUTHORITY AND RABBINIC COORDINATOR  
FOR THE UNITED SYNAGOGUE BURIAL SOCIETY

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- Provide ongoing religious support, advice and religious guidance to the US Burial Society and its staff and volunteers;
- To be responsible on a day to days basis for the upholding of appropriate customs and practices;
- Be the conduit between the wider Rabbinate and the Burial Society as appropriate;
- To help facilitate ongoing training and support for the voluntary Chevros;
- Provide Shiurim for the US Burial Staff as appropriate;
- Help facilitate ongoing educational learning for the voluntary Chevros;
- To represent the US and its Burial Society at various internal and external meetings and seminars as appropriate;
- Provide ongoing input into the US publications that relate to Burial;
- To be part of the US Burial Society Senior Leadership team.

SEPT. 16 TO PRESENT – SENIOR LECTURER FOR “US IN THE CITY”.

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- Monthly or fortnightly Shiurim in the City of London (at places like Clifford Chance and the Central Synagogue).

APRIL 2012 – DECEMBER 2014: SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE CONFERENCE OF  
EUROPEAN RABBIS

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- Secretary General of the Conference of European Rabbis, from my home base (at the time) in Santiago (Chile) with frequent visits to Europe;
- Lead the organization, together with its President, which is composed of over 850 rabbis across the European continent.
- Dealing with important issues of interest to European Jewry.
- Visits and meetings with high ranking officials at the headquarters of the European Union in Brussels.

- Liaising with high ranking national government officials as well as Senior diplomatic staff across the European continent, including extensive correspondence and translations in various languages.
- Organized a rabbinic conference in Belgrade, Serbia at the invitation of the Government of Serbia.
- Organized a rabbinic conference with over 250 participants in Berlin, in 2013 to mark the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the night of the broken glass and to foster greater understanding among the peoples of Europe. Several ambassadors were present at the event as well as guest of honour Mr Thorbjørn Jagland, Secretary General of the Council of Europe and former Prime Minister and Foreign Minister of Norway.
- Organized the “Lord Jacobovits” prize awarding ceremony at the Great Synagogue of Europe, in Brussels, in 2013. Prize Laureate was German Chancellor Mrs Angela Merkel with whose staff I personally liaised in proposing the award and prior to the ceremony.
- Prolific writing and acting as the Senior Editor of the organization’s newsletter.
- Liaised with Harvard University so as to donate our organization’s vast documental archives to their library.
- High level talks with the Secretary General of the King Abdullah bin Abdulaziz International Centre for Interreligious and Intercultural Dialogue (Vienna – Austria), aimed at fostering international cooperation and understanding.
- Public speeches and presentations representing the organization at various forums.

JAN 2008 – AUG. 2014: DEPUTY CHIEF RABBI AND SENIOR DAYAN OF THE JEWISH COMMUNITY OF SANTIAGO (CHILE)

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- Jointly Responsible for all religious aspects of the community, such as: Shiurim, Kashruth, Night Kollel, Divorces and Conversions.
- Strong emphasis on Pastoral care for different Life Cycles.
- Broaden and Strengthen the Torah Knowledge and Hashkafah of the Chilean Community (75% Ashkenazi and 25% Sefhardic).
- Deliver a series of weekly shiurim as part of our programme Toratenu – The Torah within everyone’s easy reach.
- Kiruv.
- Responsible for Arbitrations and the Mediation of different problems affecting the Community and its members.
- Answer Halachic questions in all matters.
- Organize Shabbatonim and arrange Special Guest Lecturers.

- Coordinate an ample network of religious mental health professionals, such as psychiatrists, psychologists and social workers catering to the needs of the Community at large (religious and non-religious) within the network of Nefesh Chile (Chilean chapter of Nefesh International and JACS).
- Kashrut Supervision (in South America) on behalf of local and foreign Kashruth Organizations.

### **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE IN THE NON-JEWISH SECTOR:**

APRIL 2012 – PRESENT: DORCO CAPITAL INVESTMENTS LTD (HEADQUARTERED IN SANTIAGO, CHILE): PARTNER AND SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT OF THE PRIVATE BANKING AND MULTI FAMILY OFFICE DIVISION

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- Remotely Directing the Multi Family office division and its staff.
- Client prospection.
- Client relationship management.
- Structuring the company's business model in compliance with client demands and market conditions.
- Enforcing rules of compliance and regulations.
- Close relationship with Chilean banks and financial institutions.
- Close relationship with international financial institutions.
- Acquiring a broad knowledge of both the Chilean and international banking systems, regulations and investment environments so as to equip and empower staff as well as maintain client portfolio duly informed.
- Extensive business presentations in different languages and to different audiences.

FEB. 2000 – MAR. 2002: RELATIONSHIP MANAGER FOR CORPORATE BANKING - CITIBANK UK, LONDON - UK.

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- Running a successful team of 10 multi-lingual graduate level assistant managers at a prestigious international bank.
- Strengthening the bank's relationship with its portfolio of corporate clients in Southern Europe and Israel.
- Undertaking new projects, creating new products and strategies and overseeing their development.
- Implementing new policies aimed at improving the quality of already existing products and services.

- Overseeing the management of large financial assets.
  - Ensuring financial solvency and stability.
  - Ascertaining employee's satisfaction in order to ensure excellence at the job.
  - Building a team spirit.
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OCT/1998 – JAN/2000: FINANCE MANAGER - BRAZILIAN NAVAL COMMISSION IN EUROPE, LONDON - UK.

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- Supervising the procurement of military naval supplies in Europe, the Middle East, Asia and Australia on behalf of the Brazilian Navy, within the diplomatic framework of the Embassy in London.
- Financial administration, overseeing the investment of the funds available to the Naval Commission in Europe in order to maximize their profitability.
- Personnel administration.

OCT/1997 – OCT/1998: DEPUTY PRESS ATTACHÉ FOR THE BRAZILIAN EMBASSY IN LONDON, UK.

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- Working directly with H.E. The Ambassador and the Senior Press Attaché.
- Liaising with the international press (in various languages) on behalf of the Brazilian Embassy in London.
- Issuing press releases, speech-writing, organizing and overseeing visits of Brazilian dignitaries to the United Kingdom.
- Coordinating publicity campaigns aimed at strengthening Brazil's image in the UK and Europe.
- Press Conferences.

FLUENT LANGUAGES.

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- English
- Portuguese
- Spanish
- Italian
- French
- Hebrew
- Yiddish
- German (conversational)