

Israeli CEOs Open New York Stock Exchange

Fifteen prominent Israeli CEOs arrived in New York City on Monday, November 12, for an intensive three-day program creating new relationships between leaders of the U.S. and Israeli business communities. The Israeli business leaders started the US mission by ringing the opening bell at the New York Stock Exchange.

Their itinerary includes:

- Exclusive presentations by prominent U.S. business leaders, including Chairman of the Loews Corporation James Tisch; Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer of Cantor Fitzgerald Howard Lutnick; and author of *Speaking Freely: Trials of the First Amendment* Floyd Abrams.

- A tour and conversation at the United Nations with Ambassador Dan Gillerman, Permanent Representative of Israel to the UN.

- A unique view of the World Trade Center development from Larry Silverstein's 7 World Trade Center Office.

- America-Israel Friendship League's Annual Partners for Democracy Award Dinner with hon-

orees Lev Leviev, Chairman, Africa-Israel Investments Ltd.; Nechemia (Chemi) J. Peres, Co-Founder & Managing Partner, Pitango Venture Capital; and William R. Rhodes, Sr. Vice Chairman, Citigroup, Chairman, President and CEO, Citibank.

- A private reception and tour of Christie's Auction House.

- Timely seminars on global and U.S. economy and capital markets at Morgan Stanley.

Israeli mission leaders include Benny Gaon, Gaon Holdings; Erez Meltzer, Africa Israel Investments, Ltd.; and Reuven Kuvent, D& B Israel.



(L-R) Howard Margulis, Partner, Troutman Sanders LLP; John Thain, CEO, NYSE Euronext; Benjamin D. Gaon, President and Chairman, B. Gaon Holdings and Chairman of AIFL; Israel Kenneth J. Bialkin, Senior Partner, Skadden, Arps, Slate Meagher & Flom LLP, and President and Chairman of the AIFL; and Erez Meltzer, CEO Africa Israel, at the NYSE AIFL Israel day.

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