

## Dr. Yoel Siegel

Yoel Siegel holds a D. Phil in Community Development from the University of Sussex, England.

He is co-founder of InterLoc Development, specializing in project manager and consulting for community and local economic development in a global context.

As a senior consultant to UN Habitat for over a decade his work focuses on promoting municipal mechanisms for revenue enhancement and leveraging urban planning for sustainable economic development. On behalf of the City of Jerusalem, he has provided professional leadership in initiating projects in cooperation with the European Union Horizon 2020 program. In the past, he served as the team leader in establishing the community based employment program for rural communities throughout Israel. In the field of sustainable growth, he played a key role in establishing the UNESCO recognized Ramat Menashe Biosphere in norther Israel. Innovative program design and development by local government, from early childhood development to municipal industrial park management has guided his work in Africa, South America, the Middle East, and the Pacific.

At Hebrew University, he teaches community development, strategic thinking, and social innovation working with students from around the world.

At Bezalel, he co-teaches a course on Innovations (social and cultural) in Urban Design

### Volunteer Activities:

- Founding Member Israel Urban Forum (UN-Habitat)
- Representative of Civil Society on the Israel's National Planning and Zoning Commission (until August 2020)
- Board of Directors Vertigo Dance Troupe and Eco-Art Village
- Previously: Board of Directors the Jerusalem SME center – serving both Israeli and Palestinian entrepreneurs

### Publications

- *URBAN PLANNING FOR CITY LEADERS* – Contributor (UN-Habitat 2018)
- *Finance for City Leaders Handbook* – contributing editor (UN-Habitat 2016)
- *UN-Habitat Support to Sustainable Urban Development in Kenya* – Contributor Volume 1 and 2 (UN-Habitat 2015 and 2016)

#### Hebrew:

- *Community Development – from theory to action* – contributing editor
- *Building Cooperative Actions for Children at Risk* – co author
- *The Manual for Demographic Growth in Rural Communities in Israel* – contributing editor
- *Manual for Municipal Industrial Authorities* – author (unpublished)

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