British ambassador visits ELSC, furthering academic collaboration

British Ambassador Matthew Gould MBE and his science attaché Dr. Adee Matan visited ELSC.

During a comprehensive tour of the Hebrew University's Edmond J. Safra Campus last week, British Ambassador Matthew Gould MBE and his science attaché Dr. Adee Matan visited the Rachel and Selim Benin School of Engineering and Computer Science, the Edmond and Lily Safra Center for Brain Sciences (ELSC) and the Harvey M. Krueger Family Center for Nanoscience and Nanotechnology.

Left to right: British Ambassador Matthew Gould MBE, doctoral candidate Yoav Livne, and Science Attache Dr. Adee Matan visit the neurobiology lab of Prof. Adi Mizrahi at the Alexander Silberman Institute of Life Sciences

Amb. Gould is actively involved in promoting collaborative scientific exchanges and program between Israel and Britain and serves as chairman of the newly established UK-Israel Life Sciences Council. During his visit, he heard about the University's innovations and achievements in the areas of digital vision, brain research and medical regenerative research, all of which are focuses for proposed collaborative initiatives.

Gould also met with University President Prof. Menahem Ben-Sasson, Vice-President for Research and Development Prof. Isaiah T. Arkin and Faculty of Science Dean Prof. Gad Marom. All three have strong connections with British academia: in common with Amb. Gould, Prof. Ben-Sasson was a student at St
John's College at the University of Cambridge; Prof. Arkin lectured at Cambridge; and Prof. Marom did his
doctorate at the University of Manchester (UMIST) and has been a visiting professor at the University of
Bristol.

*Left to right: Science Attache Dr. Adee Matan, M.Sc student Shachar Maidenbaum, doctoral
candidate Yoav Livne, British Ambassador Matthew Gould MBE, Dr. Amir Amedi,
Prof. Eilon Va'adia, doctoral candidate Shlomi Hanasi.*

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