



WEDNESDAY, MARCH 2, 2016 • THE WALLIS • 9930 N SANTA MONICA BLVD. • BEVERLY HILLS, CA

WITH THE CONSULATE GENERAL OF ISRAEL IN LOS ANGELES & THE CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS  
WATER SUMMIT CO-CHAIRS | DAVID NAHAI & GINA RAPHAEL  
MASTER OF CEREMONIES | RUSSELL F. ROBINSON, CEO OF JEWISH NATIONAL FUND

**8:30 AM REGISTRATION AND LIGHT REFRESHMENTS**

**9:00 AM NATIONAL ANTHEMS**  
Sydney Gross, *Shalhevet High School*

**9:10 AM SUMMIT OPENING**  
Kevin de León, *California Senate President pro Tem*

**9:20 AM WELCOME**  
David Nahai & Gina Raphael, *Water Summit Co-Chairs*

**9:30 AM GREETINGS FROM THE CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS**  
Dr. Julian Gold, MD, *Mayor of Beverly Hills*

**9:35 AM OPENING REMARKS**  
Alex Padilla, *California Secretary of State*

**9:55 AM LET THERE BE WATER - ISRAEL'S SOLUTION FOR A WATER-STARVED WORLD**  
Seth M. Siegel, *Author*

**10:15 AM MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN CALIFORNIA AND ISRAEL**  
David Siegel, *Consul General of Israel in Los Angeles*

**10:30 AM STATE OF CALIFORNIA - WATER NEEDS AND HOW THE SYSTEM WORKS**  
Moderated by David Nahai

**PANELISTS**

Hon. Paul Koretz, *Los Angeles City Council member and former State Assembly member, MWD Board Member*  
Jeff Kightlinger, *General Manager, Metropolitan Water District of Southern California*  
Marty Adams, *Senior Assistant General Manager, Water System, LADWP*  
Heather Repenning, *Los Angeles Department of Public Works Commissioner*  
Ron Miller, *Executive Secretary, Los Angeles/Orange Counties Building and Construction Trades Council*  
Liz Crosson, *Water Policy Advisor, Office of Mayor Eric Garcetti*  
Mark Gold, *Associate Vice-Chancellor UCLA*  
Felicia Marcus, *State Water Resources Control Board*

**12:00-12:20 PM KEYNOTE SPEECH FROM ANTONIO VILLARAIGOSA**  
*Former Mayor of Los Angeles, California*

**12:30 PM LUNCH & NETWORKING**



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**1:30-3:00 PM THE CALIFORNIA-ISRAEL RELATIONSHIP MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (IN) ACTION**  
Moderated by Rob Eshman, *Editor in Chief of the Jewish Journal and TRIBE Media*

**PANELISTS**

Hon. Bob Blumenfield, *Los Angeles City Council member and former State Assembly member*  
Tracy Quinn, *Policy Analyst, Water Program, Natural Resources Defense Council*  
Dillon Hosier, *National Director of State Government Affairs, Israeli-American Council*  
Andy Lipkis, *Founder and President, Treepeople*  
Ernesto Pantoja, *Laborers' International Union of North America*  
Brian Peck, *Deputy Director International Relations, Office of Governor Brown*  
Jason Wuliger, *Co-founder and VP SplashLink.com*

**3:00-3:10 PM KEYNOTE SPEECH FROM JOHN PÉREZ**  
*Speaker Emeritus California State Assembly*

**3:15-4:45 PM ISRAELI WATER TECHNOLOGY - SUCCESSFUL MODELS OPERATING IN THE U.S.**  
Moderated by David Abel, *CEO VerdeXchange*

**PANELISTS**

Hon. Jan Perry, *General Manager, EWDD*  
Naty Barak, *Chief Sustainability Officer, Netafim*  
Gil Crozes, *Partner, Carollo Engineers*  
Jacob Lipa, *CEO, Micropolitan, past President, Psomas*  
Sivan Cohen, *Director of Business Development, Ayyeka Technologies*  
Ben Perlmán, *President, Smart Water Group*  
Mike Layton, *Business Manager and Financial Secretary, Southern California Pipe Trades Council 16*

**4:50-5:00 PM KEYNOTE SPEECH FROM RON GALPERIN**  
*City Controller, City of Los Angeles*

**5:00-6:10 PM INVESTING IN ISRAELI WATER TECHNOLOGY COMPANIES**  
Moderated by Fabian Oberfeld, *Aqora Capital*

**PANELISTS**

Kathleen Brown, *Manatt Phelps*  
Puon Penn, *Wells Fargo Bank, NA*  
Richard Morganstern, *Tech Coast Angels, Chair of Los Angeles Cleantech Incubator*  
Richard Irving, *Pond Ventures*  
Ian Gardner, *CEO, CAGIX*  
Charlie Finnie, *EFW Partners*

**6:15 PM CLOSING REMARKS**

On Behalf of the City of Beverly Hills - Mahdi Aluzri, *Beverly Hills City Manager*  
On Behalf of Jewish National Fund - Talia Tzour Avner, *JNF-KKL Chief Israel Emissary*