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Positions and Professional Experience:

- 2022-present: Lecturer (Assistant Professor) at the University of Haifa, School of Political Sciences, IR Department.
- 2021-present: a **columnist for Haaretz** newspaper, writing regularly on China's foreign policy.
- 2021-2022: **Post-Doctoral Fellow**, The Leonard Davis Institute for International Relations, Hebrew University of Jerusalem (Sponsor: Prof. Yoram Z. Haftel).
- 2020-2021: **Halbert Post-Doctoral Fellow**, Munk School of Global Affairs and Public Policy, University of Toronto (Sponsor: Prof. Mark S. Manger).
- 2017-2022: **Adjacent Lecturer**, Hebrew University of Jerusalem.
Constructed an original course: "[China in the International Arena](#)", compulsory for students of the International Relations and Asia Studies concentration.
- 2016-2022: **Researcher (China program)**, Institute for National Security Studies (INSS).
- 2015-2020: **Editor in Chief** of *Politika: The Israeli Journal of Political Science and International Relations*.
- 2017-2020: **Academic Advisor**, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, advising undergraduates that double major in International Relations and Asia Studies.
- 2017-2020: **Chair of the Asia-International Relations Forum**, Hebrew University of Jerusalem.
Coordinating a bimonthly forum in which distinguished scholars and practitioners, such as ambassadors, lecture on contemporary Asian affairs.
- 2014-2017: **Adjacent Lecturer**, Rothberg International School, Hebrew University of Jerusalem.
Taught "Introduction to International Relations" at the preparatory program for international students.

Education:

- 2015-February 2020: **Hebrew University of Jerusalem, PhD** in International Relations.
Dissertation title: "Categorization in International Organizations: China in the International Institutional Order."
Advisors: Prof. Yoram Z. Haftel (Hebrew University); Prof. Galia Press Bar-Nathan (Hebrew University).
Committee: Prof. Alexander Thompson (Ohio State University); Prof. Kai He (Griffith University).
- 2013-2014: **Peking University**, advanced Chinese studies.
- 2011-2014: **Hebrew University of Jerusalem, MA** in International Relations and Asia Studies (China focus), special research program.
- 2007-2010: **Hebrew University of Jerusalem, BA** in International Relations and Asia Studies (China focus), **magna cum laude**.

Research Interests:

China's foreign policy; international political economy; international organizations; foreign direct investment policies and screening mechanisms; China-Israel relations.

Methods:

Quantitative: OLS and logistic regression; Time series and panel data; Machine Learning (causal random forests); Big Data.

Qualitative: Comparative methods (MSSD); Discourse analysis (also in Chinese); Archival research.

Publications in Refereed Journals:

Ella, Doron and Galia, Press Barnathan. (2024) "[Complex Cooptation: How Regime Complexity affects the Stability of Cooptation Bargains – The Case of China and the World Bank](#)." *Contemporary Security Policy. Advanced Access* (JCR impact factor: **4**; Rank: **7/165** in International Relations and **27/317** in Political Science).

Ella, Doron. (2021) "[Balancing Effectiveness with Geo-economic Interests in Multilateral Development Banks: The Design of the AIIB, ADB and the World Bank in a Comparative Perspective](#)." *The Pacific Review*, Vol. 34, no. 6, pp. 1022-1053. (JCR impact factor: **2.432**; Rank: **37/95** in International Relations and **8/80** in Area Studies).

Ella, Doron. (2020) "[Categorization in International Organizations](#)." *International Interactions*, Vol. 46, no 6, pp. 987-1015. (JCR impact factor: **1.372**; Rank: **49/94** in International Relations). An earlier version of this article won an **honorable mention** at the Rabin Graduate Conference of 2018.

Ella, Doron. (2017) "[China and the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change: The Politics of Institutional Categorization](#)." *International Relations of the Asia-Pacific*, Vol. 17, no. 2, pp. 233-264. (JCR impact factor: **2.324**; Rank: **38/94** in International Relations).

Chapters in Edited Volumes and Other Publications:

Ella, Doron. (2021) "[Trade in Goods and Services Between Israel and China in the Era of COVID-19](#)." Special Publication. Tel Aviv: Institute for National Security Studies.

Ella, Doron. (2021) "[Chinese Investments in Israel: Developments and a Look to the Future](#)." Special Publication. Tel Aviv: Institute for National Security Studies.

Ella, Doron. (2020) "[Intelligence and Foreign Direct Investments: China as a Case Study](#)." (in Hebrew). *Intelligence in Theory and Practice*, Vol. 5. pp. 109-118.

Ella, Doron. (2019) "[Regulation of Foreign Investments and Acquisitions: China as a Case Study](#)." In Orion, Assaf, and Galia Lavi, Eds. *Israel-China Relations: Opportunities and Challenges*. Memorandum No. 194, pp. 49-77. Tel Aviv: Institute for National Security Studies.

Ella, Doron and Tal Henig-Hadar. (2019) "[China's Information Warfare: The Implementation of China's 'Three Warfares' Doctrine in the International Arena](#)." (in Hebrew). *Intelligence in Theory and Practice*, Vol. 4. pp. 257-268.

Ella, Doron. (2018) "[Decisions from China's National People's Congress: Significance for Israel](#)." *Strategic Assessment* Vol. 21, no. 2, pp. 99-109.

Ella, Doron. (2018) "[China-Europe Relations: Risks and Opportunities](#)." In Rosner, Yotam and Adi Kantor, Eds. *The European Union in Turbulent Times: Challenges, Trends, and Significance for Israel*. pp. 71-80. Tel Aviv: Institute for National Security Studies.

Orion Assaf, Ella Doron, Lavi Galia and Israel Kanner. (2016) “[China’s Middle East Policy: Between Continuity and Change](#).” In Kurz, Anat and Shlomo Brom, Eds. *Strategic Survey for Israel 2016-2017*. pp. 81-91. Tel Aviv: Institute for National Security Studies.

Working Papers:

“Innovation and the Chinese Threat: Explaining Investment Screening at the Forefront of Technology” (with Mark Manger): Presented at ISA Nashville (March 2022) and IAIS (May 2022); Presented at the Princeton Workshop on "The Politics and Regulation of Investment Screening Mechanisms" (PRISM) (October 2022).

“Hedging for Influence: China’s Engagement Strategies in the World Bank and the AIIB during the COVID-19 Crisis” (with Yoram Haftel and Stephanie Hofmann). **R&R (Review of International Political Economy)**

“Multilateral Development Banks and COVID-19: From Crisis to Opportunity”. **Under Review (European Journal of International Relations)**

“The Internationalization of China’s Data and Cyber Security Policy: Expanding Soft Power through Legislation” (with Amit Sheniak): **Won funding (10k NIS) from the Israeli Cyber Authority through CCLP.**

“Popular Culture with "Chinese Characteristics": China’s Rise as reflected through Cinema and TV” (with Galia Press Bar-Nathan): Early stage.

Participation in Conferences and Workshops: ISA Hong Kong (2017); ISA San Francisco (2018); ISA Honolulu (2020); ISA Nashville (2022); Rabin Graduate Conferences (2016-2018); The Barcelona Workshop on Global Governance (2022); IAIS (2022); Prism Workshop at Princeton University (2022); ISA San Francisco (2024); Decrypting Digital Authoritarianism (Florence 2024).

Grants and Awards:

- 2024: **Israel Science Foundation (ISF)** Grant for 3 years (93,000\$)
- 2023: CCLP Grant for China and Cybersecurity research project (2500\$)
- 2020: The Halbert Post-Doctoral Fellowship Grant (40,000\$)
- 2015: The Stephen Robert Memorial Prize in Excellence in International Relations (20,000\$)
- 2013: Junior Staff Exceptional Teacher, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
- 2013: The Ida Wechsler and Charles Wechsler Merit Scholarship in Asia Studies (2500\$)
- 2010: Award for excellent BA students in Asia Studies

Professional Service:

Reviewer for: *International Studies Quarterly*; *Review of International Political Economy*; *International Studies Review*; *Chinese Journal of International Politics*; *Public Administration*; *Global Policy*; *Politika*.

Languages:

Hebrew (native), English (fluent; near native), Chinese (professional working proficiency)

Computer Skills:

R, Stata, SPSS, Excel