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Tackling common challenges together

- Israeli Ambassador visits Cyprus Institute
- Two parties agree for closer scientific cooperation
- Particular emphasis given to achievements in climate change, solar energy and desalination and computational science

ISRAELI Ambassador Michael Harari, accompanied by the deputy head of the diplomatic mission of the Israeli embassy, Sahni Cooper-Zubida, recently visited the Cyprus Institute.

At the meeting, also attended by a number of faculty members of the Institute, the President of the Institute Professor Costas N Papanicolas, presented its overall vision and achievements and briefed the delegation about the progress on its strategic development plan. Particular emphasis was given to the significant achievements in the areas of climate change, solar energy and desalination and computational science, which

highlight the regional nature of the Institute and establish it as a leading research institution in the Eastern Mediterranean. Reference was also made on the existing collaborations between the Cyprus Institute and Israeli universities and research centres. The Israeli dignitaries visited a number of research laboratories of the Institute where research

staff presented some of the main research activities of the Institute.

The two parties agreed that Cyprus and Israel due to their geographical location, face common challenges in various fields and through effective and closer scientific cooperation they can develop joint actions for addressing a variety of problems. Furthermore, it was stressed

that the existing cooperation between the Institute and various Israeli institutions should continue and be further strengthened.

The Israeli Ambassador stated that the prospects for cooperation between the two countries on climate change and desalination are great and more emphasis should be given on joint research projects in these

areas. The Eastern Mediterranean region is particularly vulnerable to certain environmental conditions and through effective and coordinated action, Cyprus and Israel can play a vital role in addressing the emerging challenges for the region.



Israeli Ambassador Michael Harari is welcomed at the Institute, and above, discussing issues during his visit