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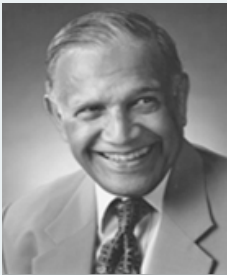
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Rabbi David Rosen is Director of the American Jewish Committee's Department for Interreligious Affairs and its Heilbrunn Institute for International Interreligious Understanding. For the past four years Rabbi Rosen has served as the Chairman of the International Jewish Committee on Interreligious Consultations (IJCIC), a broadbased coalition of Jewish organizations representing World Jewry to other religions.

Rabbi Rosen also serves on the Israeli Chief Rabbinate's Commission for Interreligious Dialogue, and represents the Chief Rabbinate on the Council of Religious Institutions of the Holy Land. He is an International President of Religions for Peace (WCRP); Honorary President of the International Council of Christians and Jews (ICCJ); and serves as a member of the Advisory Committee of the World Congress of Imams and Rabbis. Rabbi Rosen is a member of the World Economic Forum's C-100, a council of 100 leaders formed for the purpose of improving relations and cooperation between the Muslim and non-Muslim worlds. He is on the Executive of the World Council of Religious Leaders (WCORL); and is also a member of the Elijah Institute's World Board of Religious Leaders. He is a founder of the Interreligious Coordinating Council in Israel that embraces some seventy organizations in Israel involved in interfaith relations (ICCI).

Rabbi Rosen was a member of the Permanent Bilateral Commission of the State of Israel and the Holy See that negotiated the establishment of full diplomatic normalisation of relations between the two. In November 2005 he was made a papal Knight Commander of the Order of St Gregory the Great for his contribution to promoting Catholic-Jewish reconciliation.



Judge Christopher G. Weeramantry LLD. (University of London); D.Lit. (Honoris Causa) (University of London); LLD. (Honoris Causa) (University of Colombo); LLD. (Honoris Causa) (Monash University); LLD. (Honoris Causa) (National Law School of India). Former Vice-President, International Court of Justice, The Hague (1990-2002).

Judge Weeramantry's professional career spans over six decades as a lawyer, legal educator, domestic judge, international judge, author, and lecturer. He has examined a wide variety of topics essential to the international rule of law, cross-cultural understanding and peace education. He has written over 250 articles, which have been published in various international journals and is the author of over 20 books. He has lectured extensively on these and related subjects in over 50 countries.

Judge Weeramantry's work contains a philosophy, as well as a programme of action, to achieve these purposes. The Weeramantry International Centre for Peace Education and Research (WICPER), which he founded in 2001, has a vast corpus of research and writing as an information base from which to develop its programmes. Judge Weeramantry recently received the UNESCO Prize for Peace Education 2006, the Right Livelihood (Alternative Nobel) Award 2007 and the Lifetime Achievement Award 2008 by Nuclear Age Peace Foundation.

He continues to serve as Patron and Advisor to numerous international bodies, including as President of the International Association of Lawyers Against Nuclear Arms (IALANA), Patron of the Centre for International Sustainable Development Law (CISDL), and Advisor to the Asian Society of International Law.

