

Thinking Well About Aging

March 22, 2023, Tel Aviv University

15.40-16.00 Gathering, Foyer of the School of Health Professions

16.00-16.10 Greetings:

Prof. Karen Avraham, Dean of the Faculty of Medicine

Prof. Uri Ashery, Head of the Healthy Longevity Center

16.15-17.15 ADOPTING THE COMPLETE LIVES PERSPECTIVE

A keynote Lecture by Prof. Ezekiel Emanuel, University of Pennsylvania

Following a rich tradition in philosophy from Aristotle to Rawls and Nagel, Dr. Emanuel has advocated making ethical, justice, and other evaluations over a complete life, not based on momentary situations. The Complete Lives Perspective suggests that assessments of a good life or fairness are properly made at the end of life. This has implications for individuals in emphasizing the importance of taking a death bed perspective—having no—or few-regrets about how one lived on one's death bed. This requires living intentionally. This perspective also plays down the urgent in favor of the important.

17.15-17.30 NOT HAVING EXHAUSTED LIFE AFTER 90 YEARS.

Prof. Shlomo Giora Shoham, Tel Aviv University

Prof. Shoham had an eventful life in his 94 years. When discussing life at old age, he states "I feel that I have not exhausted it yet". When the conference ends, he will proceed to neighboring building to participate in a seminar at the School of Medicine. Connecting his philosophical and clinical experience, he will share his thoughts and ideas about Aging and the Full life from a very personal perspective.

17.30-17.45 TEMPORAL PERSPECTIVES ON THE GOOD LIFE

Prof. YM. Barilan, School of Medicine and the Bioethics and Law Center, TAU

The question of the good life has two faces. The first is the moral one, the personal inquiry about the good life and how to make wise choices about life. The second face is about social policy, which is the relative weight given to different perspectives on life, and to different voices coming from the whole range of the life cycle. Following this, Dr. Barilan will suggest a framework for thinking that seeks value on being present in significant engagements: either created by the person, or by others who incorporate the person in their projects.

17.45-18.00 Q&A and Discussion

Dr. Oren Asman, Department of Nursing and the Bioethics and Law Center, TAU

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