

## Touro Conference on Israel

On Sunday, June 18, over 500 guests gathered for a special conference hosted by Touro College and its Jacob D. Fuchsberg Law Center at Lander College for Men in Flushing.

Four prominent Israeli and American Torah leaders presented at the discussion entitled “The Political and Social Situation in Israel: A Torah Perspective.” From Israel, Israel M. Lau, chief Rabbi of Tel Aviv and former chief Rabbi of Israel, and Shear-Yashuv Cohen, chief Rabbi of Haifa, spoke. From the U.S., Rabbi Hershel Schachter, Rosh Kollel Elyon Yeshivat Rabbenu, and Rabbi Dr. Moshe Tendler, professor of Talmudic law at Yeshiva University, both spoke as well.

Welcoming the audience was Rabbi Dr. Bernard Lander, founder and president of Touro College, and Lawrence Rafal, dean of Touro College’s Jacob D. Fuchsberg Law Center. Rabbi Tzvi Flaum, Mashgiach Ruchani and professor of Judaic Studies at Lander College for Women, moderated the morning session. Following a buffet lunch, the afternoon session was moderated by Rabbi Dr. Moshe Sokol, dean of the Lander College for Men.



Speakers and attendees of Touro College’s Israel conference. Top (l-r): Dr. Simcha Fishbane, executive assistant to Dr. Bernard Lander; Rabbi Dr. Tendler; and Rabbi Schachter. Bottom (l-r): Rabbi Cohen, Rabbi Dr. Bernard Lander and Rabbi Lau.