

Executive Director, Katz Prize

It is now four years since Mordechai (Marcos) Katz, the founder of Katz Prize, has left us.

It is my privilege to manage his life's enterprise - the Katz Prize. It is a small comfort to see that his prominent heritage is continuing on.

This year as usual, we contacted figures and institutions who set for themselves the goal to connect Jewish identity and practical halacha with modern life. From the many requests we received, most of which were found deserving and appropriate, three personalities and one institution were chosen by the committee as worthy of the 2021 Katz Prize.

I would like to extend heartfelt greetings to the 2021 Katz Prize awardees: Rav Gavriel Goldman, Prof. Shulamit Levenberg, Rav Yitzchak Shilat and the Tzurbah M'Rabbanan Institute, headed by Rav Benzion Algazi. I would like to thank the members of the Prize Committee - the committee chairman, Prof. Menachem ben Sasson, the rav and author, Rav Chaim Sabato, and Rav Shlomo Dichovski, whose extensive wisdom and experience led them to choose these most worthy candidates for the prize this year.

I personally wish to express my tremendous appreciation for Adina and the Katz family who had faith in me to manage the Prize Katz in honor and in memory of the prize's founder, Marcos (Mordechai) Katz z"l.

May you all be blessed,
Meirav Catriel Shtarker