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Netta Barak-Corren holds the Haim H. Cohn Chair in Human Rights at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem. She is a legal scholar and cognitive scientist, focusing on empirical and behavioral analysis of constitutional and public law, with a particular interest in the interaction between law and religion and constitutional design. She received her LL.B. in Law and B.A. in Cognitive Science from the Hebrew University as Valedictorian and three-time recipient of the Albert Einstein and Rector awards. She then clerked for the Chief Justice of the Israeli Supreme Court, Hon. Dorit Beinisch, and earned her doctorate from Harvard.

In 2025 Netta was elected by the ERC to serve as its Ambassador for Israel. She is a Nootbaar Religious Freedom Fellow at Pepperdine University School of Law since 2020 and held visiting appointments at Chicago Law School, the University of Pennsylvania Carey School of Law, the Edmund & Lily Safra Center for Ethics in Harvard University, and Princeton's University Center for Human Values and School of Public and International Affairs (SPIA). Her research has been supported by the ERC, Israel Science Foundation, Israel Democracy Institute, the Minerva, Cherick, and Barak Centers at the Hebrew University, as well as by awards from Harvard, Cornell, and Princeton. Among her many accolades are the Heshin Prize for Outstanding Young Legal Scholar, the Gorny Prize for Outstanding Young Scholar in Public Law, the Birk Prize for Excellence in Legal Research, and several best paper awards from leading institutions.

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