

## **Liberal Judaism Facilitates Interfaith Event at Argentine Embassy in London**

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The Argentine Embassy in London has organised an interfaith event to be held at the Ambassador's Residence, with the support of Liberal Judaism, the Movement for Reform Judaism and the Three Faiths Forum. The event, entitled "The Argentine Experience. A Dialogue with British Leaders of the Three Faiths", will take place on Wednesday, 14th November, 2007 at 10.30 am. The panellists include Rabbi Alexandra Wright, Senior Rabbi at the Liberal Jewish Synagogue, St John's Wood representing the Jewish faith and Liberal Judaism friend Imam Shahid Hussain representing the Islamic faith.

The key speaker will be Alejandro Grossman, Argentine Undersecretary for Religious Affairs. Federico Mirre, Argentine Ambassador to Great Britain, will open the proceedings and Rabbi Danny Rich, Chief Executive of Liberal Judaism, will deliver the closing remarks. Liberal Judaism Patron Sir Sigmund Sternberg will chair the panel

This event forms part of a series of activities related to the Jewish faith in Argentina, including an exhibition at University College (London) and a series of lectures. Following the Embassy's invitation to the Argentine Undersecretary for Religious Affairs to London, Liberal Judaism's own Head of Services, Elvira Museri, an

Argentine citizen, was asked by the Embassy to assist in the arrangements, and helped create the programme.

Commenting on the event, Rabbi Danny Rich said, "Liberal Judaism, through the good fortune of Elvira's country of birth, is delighted to have played a leading part in bringing this event to fruition. In appreciation, the Ambassador has invited any member of a Liberal Jewish community to join him at 10.30 this coming Wednesday morning."

**Any person wishing to attend should RSVP: [interfaith@argentine-embassy-uk.org](mailto:interfaith@argentine-embassy-uk.org)**

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**Notes:**

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