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Two researchers from the Hebrew University are to be awarded a Humboldt Research Award, it was announced recently by the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation.

Hebrew University Rector, Prof. Sarah Stroumsa, and Prof. Eyal Winter of the department of economics are both to receive the awards of 60,000 euros.

The awards are being granted to them in recognition of their past accomplishments in research and teaching. As part of the Humboldt Research Awards, grantees are invited to undertake prolonged periods of research in collaboration with colleagues in Germany.

Prof. Stroumsa is the Alice and Jack Ormut Professor of Arabic Studies in the department of Arabic Language and Literature and the department of Jewish Thought. Her research interests include philosophy and theology in Arabic in the early Islamic middle-ages, medieval Judeo-Arabic literature, and the intellectual history of Islamic Spain.

Prof. Eyal Winter is the Silverzweig Professor of Economics and Director of the Center for the Study of Rationality. His research interests include micro-economic theory, game theory, incentives in organizations, experimental/behavioral economics, and industrial organization.

Every year, the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation enables more than 2,000 researchers from all over the world to spend time researching in Germany. The Foundation maintains a network of more than 24,000 Humboldtians from all disciplines in over 130 countries worldwide - including 44 Nobel Prize winners.

The award is granted in recognition of a researcher's entire achievements to date to academics whose fundamental discoveries, new theories, or insights have had a significant impact on their own discipline and who are expected to continue producing cutting-edge achievements in the future.

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