RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE RECOMMENDER
How can those being asked to recommend people for open positions exercise their power best?

Yehuda Kurtzer, President of the Shalom Hartman Institute of North America, in conversation with:

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Informal recommendations play an important role in how candidates for positions are identified and vetted. As we consider how mid-career professionals in Jewish communal organizations think about opportunities for growth and development within our field, the issue of how power functions in this informal system is critical.

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Dr. Yehuda Kurtzer is the President of the Shalom Hartman Institute of North America and a leading thinker and author on the meaning of Israel to American Jews, the value of the Jewish past to the Jewish present, and questions of leadership and change in American Jewish life. Yehuda leads the efforts of the Institute across the North American Jewish communal landscape, and teaches widely in the Institute’s many platforms for rabbis, lay leaders, Jewish professionals, and leaders of other faith communities.

Ilana Kaufman
Ilana Kaufman is the Director of the Jews of Color Field Building Initiative, and a Senior Schusterman Fellow. A nationally regarded thought leader on the importance of grappling at the intersection of Jewish communities, Jewish identity and racial justice, Ilana was featured on NPR’s All Things Considered and Code Switch, and in the series “ELI Talks: Inspired Jewish Ideas”. Ilana’s articles can be found in the Forward, eJewish Philanthropy and The Foundation Review.

Nitzan Pelman
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