



## René Cassin AJA Fellowship Programme 2019



### Josh Vuglar



**Josh** works at the Ministry of Justice and is currently Co-Chair of the Ministry of Justice Fast Stream Forum, after recently returning to London having spent three years working as an English teacher on the JET Programme in a rural fishing community in Japan, and eating the greatest sushi on the planet.

Josh is a member of Northwood and Pinner Liberal Synagogue, and previously served as International Facilitator for the Commonwealth Cultural Programme, among other responsibilities. He is excited to learn and develop as a leader and human rights advocate.

### Claire Ward, PhD



**Claire** has a background in pharmacology, medical law and ethics and works as a global health policy consultant in Geneva. Over the past 10 years, Claire has gained significant in-country public health, health-system and, medico-legal experience working across UK, Israel, Kenya, Switzerland, Ghana and Tanzania. Professionally, she has qualified in UK law, and specialised with a PhD in Global Health from the Swiss Tropical and Public Health Institute, University of Basel along with a Masters (LLM) in UK Medical Law and Ethics, De Montfort University. In addition, Claire holds a first degree in Pharmacology (BSc. Hons) from the University of Edinburgh.

### Claudia Hyde



**Claudia** was born and raised in London and works at the Holocaust Memorial Day Trust, where she works to engage local government and communities in activities to raise awareness of the Holocaust and subsequent genocides. She previously worked in political consulting, and has volunteered with a range of human rights charities including the REDRESS Trust and Amnesty International.

Claudia holds a degree in Law from the London School of Economics, specialising in public international and human rights law. She speaks French and German, is attempting to learn Hebrew and loves to travel, read, write and drink coffee.

## Moses Makin



**Moses (Mo)** is originally from Liverpool, but has moved around quite a bit! He went to Sixth Form in Manchester, and currently attends the University of Leeds, so that he can finish his degree, after his placement year with the Civil Service in London.

Mo's time at university has sparked his interest in human rights. This was because he studied the slave trade, one of the largest mass-human rights abuses in history, which led to many conversations in his JSOC about global politics and the place human rights has currently.

## Jessica Spencer



**Jessica** is a Programme Manager at the Council of Christians and Jews, where she leads CCJ's social action programmes and Jewish educational programmes, in particular forming CCJ's new initiatives on supporting refugees. She is also the editor of CCJ's journal, Common Ground, and is involved with CCJ's work on Israel-Palestine dialogue. Jessica has previously campaigned for human rights through Amnesty International. She is committed to her Judaism, and is an active member and service-leader at New Stoke Newington Shul, Ohel Mo'ed, and Kehillat Kentish communities. Jessica previously worked as a software engineer in the communications industry.

## Caroline Cassin



**Caroline** is the founder of London Macadam magazine and education, and a French jurist in social law. Caroline is also a member Monsieur René Cassin's family and has been involved with the work of the René Cassin organisation for the last 10 years, dedicating her time to celebrating Monsieur Cassin's human rights legacy through special events, delivering talk and a family website [www.renecassinheritage.com](http://www.renecassinheritage.com)

### Jeffrey Newman



**Jeffrey** is Rabbi Emeritus of Finchley Reform Synagogue. He was co-founder with Ahmad Khalidi of the UK branch of the Israeli-Palestinian Centre for Research and Information and worked (2005-2010) to bring to the UK the Earth Charter - a UNESCO-backed Declaration of Principles for a Just, Sustainable and Peaceful Global Society. Now he works, mainly via *Shema*, to engage and activate the Jewish community in the issues of Climate Change, in the context of the SDGs of which it is Goal 13.