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Avi Paz awarded Ordre de la Couronne

12 November 2012: Avi Paz, honorary Life President of the World Federation of Diamond Bourses (WFDB) was awarded the Ordre de la Couronne, an official title from Belgium, recognising his achievements in the development of the diamond trade between Belgium and Israel.

Established in 1879 the Ordre de la Couronne is awarded for distinguished artistic, literary or scientific achievements, or for commercial or industrial services in Belgium or Africa.

The award was made on 8 November 2012 on behalf of Belgium's King Albert II by Benedicte Frankinet, Belgium's ambassador to Israel at a ceremony held at the ambassador's residence in Israel.

Ernie Blom, President of the WFDB, extended his personal and the members' congratulations to Paz, saying: "We are proud of your achievements in both Israel and Belgium and also for what you have done for the WFDB, the award is well-deserved."

