

## **Short CV of Sever Plocker**

SEVER PLOCKER is the Chief Economics Editor and Commentator of Yedioth Ahronoth, the biggest and most popular daily newspaper in Israel. Born in 1944 in Tashkent, Uzbekistan, he emigrated with his late parents through Poland to Israel. He earned degrees in economics and philosophy from the Hebrew University in Jerusalem. From 1968 until 1987 he was, subsequently, economics correspondent, economics editor and the Editor-in-chief of AL HAMISHMAR, daily quality newspaper of the kibbutz movement.

In the run of his career Mr. Sever Plocker published hundreds of articles and commentaries in Hebrew and English and appears frequently on radio and television programs. During the fall and winter of 2003 Mr. Plocker was a visiting fellow at the Saban Center for Middle East Policy at the Brookings Institution where he analyzed the economic crises in Israel and published a research paper. He delivered lectures at Princeton, Georgetown, Stanford and Oxford universities.

Mr. Plocker won four prestigious prizes for journalism in Israel: the prize to the leading Business and Economics Editor given by the Social and Economic Research Institute in Jerusalem, the National Sokolov Prize for outstanding achievements in journalism, given on the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Israeli Independence and in 2009 the first Tel Aviv University Prize for Excellence in Journalism ("Israeli Pulitzer") and the "Lifetime Achievements Prize in Journalism" given jointly by Ben Gurion University and the Association of Israeli Journalist and presented by Prime Minister.

Mr. Plocker is married to Nelly, has two children Anat and Daniel and one granddaughter Shira.