

Biography for Howard Kohr:

Widely recognized as a leader in working to strengthen the vital U.S.-Israel strategic partnership, Howard Kohr is AIPAC's Chief Executive Officer. Under his tenure, AIPAC has been consistently ranked as the most influential foreign policy lobbying organization on Capitol Hill.

A native of Cleveland, Ohio, Howard's determination, strength of character, and his dedication to the Jewish people can be traced back to the example set by his parents. His father, Kurt, escaped from the Dachau concentration camp after five years of slave labor, and then was wounded in action while fighting for the Hagana during Israel's War of Independence. Kurt Kohr has been Howard's inspiration throughout his career as an activist for Jewish causes.

Prior to joining AIPAC, Howard held a number of distinguished posts: among them, Management Fellow for the Department of Defense, Deputy Director of the National Jewish Coalition, and Assistant Washington Representative of the American Jewish Committee.