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Iris received her PhD in Behavioral and Management Sciences from the Technion in 2009. Iris is the manager of Knowledge Center for Innovation at Technion, established in January 2008.

Her research focuses on team creative characteristics and aims at identifying the personal resources in the team, and harnessing them to increase team innovation. For this purpose, Iris developed an organizational intervention based on a team learning mechanisms which consist of team members' sharing their outstanding resources and reinforcing this process by team reflexivity. Her papers on this topic were accepted to leading international conferences. Iris is also selected to participate in the PRIME PhD Network of Excellence: EU-US Early Career Researcher Conference on Research and Innovation Studies.

In her job as the manager of the knowledge center for innovation, Iris leads a number of prominent projects: Executives' forum to expose managers to methods and tools to lead innovation processes through lectures and discussions; and "Business innovation students' projects" to promote innovation in the traditional industry by engineering students in several national academic institutions