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Dr. Aliza Lavie's fields of research include gender, public communications, and the world of feminine Jewish wisdom and knowledge. She scoured historical archives and private collections to uncover the forgotten manuscripts and human stories that she presents in her best-selling book, *A Jewish Woman's Prayer Book* (2008).

Dr. Lavie is a presenter and editor of television programs on Jewish culture, and is active in social initiatives of tolerance, equality, and empowerment. She is also a sought-after speaker in Israel and overseas on subjects relating to women's prayers, Jewish culture and identity, Israeli society, and Israel-Diaspora relations.

Dr. Lavie embarked on her public career in 1988, as adviser to the then-political secretary of the National Religious Party (Mafdal). She is chairperson of Matan, a women's Torah-study center in Netanya, and an administrative committee member of Kolech (Your Voice)-Religious Women's Forum.