

2nd UBIAS DIRECTORS MEETING in JERUSALEM
SHAPING THE FUTURE: NAVIGATING A CHANGING WORLD
Jerusalem March 4-6, 2013

GENERAL INFORMATION FOR SPEAKERS

VISA: Please check whether you need a visa to visit Israel. A list of countries whose citizens do not require a visa can be found at: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Visa_policy_of_Israel

Please verify this information with officials in your country.

If you do need a visa, please contact our office, so that we can issue you an official letter of invitation.

You must present the letter of invitation in order to receive your visa.

TRANSPORTATION FROM BEN GURION AIRPORT TO JERUSALEM:

You will be arriving at Ben-Gurion Airport, which is located about 15 minutes from Tel Aviv and 40 minutes from Jerusalem. Private taxis to Jerusalem can be found as you exit the arrivals terminal, and cost about \$70 (roughly NIS 262 – the exchange being: NIS 3.71 for 1\$).

You can also take the Neshar Taxi, a shared door-to-door shuttle, for the set price of 62 Shekels (about \$16). It operates 24 hours a day and can be easily found to your right as you exit the arrivals terminal. Either way, please ask the driver to drop you off at your designated hotel. Please note **that this may take you much longer (as the car needs to be filled and the time for the drop off can not be fully estimated).**

HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS:

Jerusalem Gardens: 4 Zeev Vilnai St., Kiryat Moshe, Jerusalem 96100, Tel. 972-2-6558888.

<http://www.jerusalemgardenshotel.com/>

We have reserved for you 3 nights (March 3-6, 2013). If you want to extend your stay, please let us know in advance so that we can make sure there is room and book accordingly. Payment for these extra days will be done by you directly at the hotel.

VENUE OF THE MEETING:

The Meeting will take place at Institute for Advanced Studies of The Hebrew University, on the Edmond J. Safra Campus, Givat Ram (the Hebrew University has several campuses). The Institute is the third building (Feldman building) on the right from the main pedestrian gate. This is the place where the Meeting will be conducted, and lectures will be held in the Seminar Room (#128), on the first floor.

YOU WILL BE REQUIRED TO SHOW YOUR PASSPORT OR OTHER I.D. WHEN ENTERING THE CAMPUS THROUGH THE MAIN GATE, AND BAGS WILL BE CHECKED. This is a common practice in many public places in Israel.

PARKING:

Car permits will be provided (upon need) to speakers only (please let us know if you plan to rent a car), at the Administration Parking lot located at the center of the bus terminal next to the main entrance of the campus (this lot is outside of the campus proper). If you come by car, please bring the program with you and show it to the guard on duty at the entrance that you are speaking at the meeting.

CAMPUS MAP: A map of The Hebrew University Givat Ram Campus appears on the following websites:

<http://www.huji.ac.il/huji/maps/givatramCampus.htm>

MEALS:

Breakfast will be available at your hotel.

Lunch will be provided during the Meeting.

Coffee, tea and cookies will be provided during the breaks.

INFORMAL GATHERING: On Sunday, March 3, 2013, from 19:00, in the hotel's lobby.

REGISTRATION DEKS: On Monday, March 4, 2013, from 09:00-09:15 in the IAS lobby.

FORMAL RECEPTION: On Monday, March 4, 2013, from 19:30-20:30, in the IAS lobby.

COMPUTER CONNECTIONS AND WORKING SPACE:

Please bring your laptop with you, if you wish to use a computer during the Meeting for your personal needs. A few computer terminals as well as free wireless Internet access (WiFi) are available in the Institute building and on campus. Printing jobs are routed to the printer in room 35 on the ground floor. The network name is HUJI-guest.

WEATHER: Jerusalem is about 800 meters (2640 feet) above sea level, at geographic latitude 31 47' N and longitude 35 13' E. Temperatures in late winter range between an average high of 14 Centigrade (57 Fahrenheit), and an average low of 6 C (43 F). It can be very cold and rainy, so please bring warm clothing and an umbrella; but it can also be sunny and pleasant.

List of websites providing up-to-date information on current events and attractions in Jerusalem:

www.jerusalem.muni.il

www.jerusalemite.net www.jerusalem.com

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MEETING'S WEBPAGE:

<http://www.as.huji.ac.il/content/jerusalem-ubias-meeting>

INSTITUTE OFFICE HOURS:

Sunday – Thursday, 08:00 – 16:00. Please feel free to contact us for information and assistance