

# Geometric and Combinatorial Group Theory in honor of Eliyahu Rips

## General Information Sheet

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 3.8 for \$1).

You could also take the 'Nesher' Taxi, a shared door-to-door shuttle, for the set price of 64 Shekels (about \$18). 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.

It is advisable that you carry a copy of the conference invitation letter with you.

### Accommodation:

You will be accommodated at the Jerusalem Gardens Hotel or Prima Park Hotel, located within walking distance from the IAS on the same street



The hotel website can be found at the following link:  
<http://www.jerusalemgardenshotel.com>

### **Conference Venue:**

The Conference will take place at the Israel Institute for Advanced Studies (IIAS) located at The Hebrew University, the Edmond J. Safra Campus, Givat Ram (The Hebrew University has several campuses). Walking from the main pedestrian gate, the Institute is the third building (Feldman building) on the right. 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 MAY BE CHECKED. This is common practice in many public places in Israel.**

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 and Social Events:**

Breakfast will be available every morning at the Jerusalem Gardens Hotel.

#### **Lunch:**

Lunch will be provided during the conference (Sunday through Thursday) at the Sherman Administration Building and the Wise Auditorium Restaurants on campus, and sandwiches will be served on Friday in the IIAS lobby. Coffee, tea and cookies will be provided

during the breaks in the IIAS lobby.

**Sunday, Dec. 14<sup>th</sup>**, 18:00–20:00 – Reception (Buffet Dinner), at the IIAS lobby on the ground floor.

**Wednesday, Dec. 17<sup>th</sup>**, 13:30–17:30 – Tour of Jerusalem (including the Old City).

**Thursday, Dec. 18<sup>th</sup>**, 19:15–21:30 – Dinner at Terasa Restaurant. A minivan will take you there from the hotel lobby at 18:45, or alternatively from the Givat Ram Campus entrance, at 18:50. A minivan will bring you back to the hotel at the end of the evening.

### **Computer Connections and Working Space:**

Please bring your laptop with you, if you wish to use a computer during the conference for your personal needs. There is free access to wireless Internet (WiFi) at the Givat Ram campus. Participants, who have laptop computers with wireless capabilities, can gain basic Internet access: The network name is (SSID) “HUJI-guest”

**Weather:** Jerusalem is about 800 meters (2640 feet) above sea level; at geographic latitude 31 47' N and longitude 35 13' E. Please see the following 2 links:

[http://www.israelweather.co.il/forecast/index\\_english.html](http://www.israelweather.co.il/forecast/index_english.html)

**For Jerusalem specifically:** <http://www.02ws.co.il/?&lang=0>

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

[www.jerusalem.muni.il](http://www.jerusalem.muni.il)

[www.jerusalemite.net](http://www.jerusalemite.net)

[www.jerusalem.com](http://www.jerusalem.com)

### **IIAS Office Contact Information:**

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### **Conferences WEBPAGE:**

<http://www.as.huji.ac.il/combinatorial-group-theory>

**Institute Office Hours:**

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