

# The Ada Lovelace Bicentenary Lectures on Computability, December 2015 – January 2016

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## *Weizac – An interim Adventure between Ada and Responsa*

Monday, 18 January, 11:00-11:30

[Weizac](#), was designed and built in 1954/55 at the Weizmann Institute of Science. We will attempt to convey the special pioneering spirit prevailing while constructing the first digital computer in the Middle East, its main characteristics and its profound impact in catapulting the then 6-year old state of Israel into the high-tech era that early. Time permitting, we will briefly describe the [Responsa Project](#), the first viable full-text retrieval system, conceived 35 years before Google, whose first steps were done on Weizac.



Watch the video

