

The 51st Annual Conference for Science and the Environment | 12-13 July 2023

	Wednesday, July 12 th 2023							
08:00-08:45	Welcome and Registration							
	Entrance hall							
	Opening Plenary Session							
08:45–10:00	Welcome and Opening							
	From Global to Local: Artificial Intelligence (AI) Solutions for Weather Forecasting Adaptation and Resilience: Bridging Global Models and Local Solutions Dr. Keywan Rihai – IIASA AI Solutions for Flood Forecasting Prof. Avinatan Hassidim, Head of Google Israel Research Group Hot, Dry, High, Extreme and Local Dr. Neta Lipman, Senior Deputy Director General, Natural Resources & Climate Resilience							
	Division, Ministry of Environmental Protection In Cooperation with GOOGLE							
10:10–11:40	Parallel Session							
	H Hall Applied Data Usage Track: Applied Sustainability Research Using Integrative Models Moderator: Prof. Vered Blass, Tel Aviv University *In Cooperation	I Hall Nature Conservation and Ecology Track: Marine Ecology Moderator: Dr. Adi Levi, Achva Academic College	F Hall Agriculture Track: Environmental Aspects in Agriculture Moderator: Dr. Oren Shelef, Volcani Center	M Hall Carbon Trading and Sequestratio n Track: Do You Want Cheap Air? Offsetting as a Tool for Carbon Balance Moderator: Dr. Avi Luvchik, CEO and Founder, Oporto- Carbon	L Hall Economy, Law, and Climate Track: Less Risk, More Acclimatizatio n Moderator: Dr. Orly Ronen, Tel Aviv University	K Hall Forest and Vegetation Track: Challenges and Opportuniti es in the Establishm ent and Renewal of JNF Forests Moderator: Dr. Shani Rohatyn- Blits, JNF		





	with IIASA Institute							
11:40-12:00	Coffee Break							
	Early Afternoon Plenary							
11:50–13:00	Opening Doors to Research – A Lookout on the Environment							
	Prof. Idan Segev, Department of Cognitive and Brain Sciences, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, and Scientific Manager, Frontiers for Young Minds Screening of Short Film Presenting the 2023 Planet Prize Winners Prof. Jonathan Belmaker, The George S. Wise Faculty of Life Sciences, Tel Aviv University, and the Israeli Nominee for the Planet Prize 2023							
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	Plenary Moderated by Ms. Maya Halevy, Director of the Bloomfield Science Museum, Jerusalem Prof. Ofira Ayalon, The School of Environmental Studies, Haifa University, Samuel Neaman Institute, The Technion Dr. Yael Zilbershtain-Kra, Manager of the 'Frontiers for Young Minds' Initiative, Israel Dr. Galia Zer Kavod, Coordinator of Science Studies and the Scientific-Technological Major Program at the Yadlin Interdisciplinary Campus, Rishon Le-zion, Israel Miss Maor Karam from the Tabib Junior High, Rishon Le-Zion, Scientific Reviewer in the 'Frontiers for Young Minds' Initiative							
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13:00–14:00	Lunch							
14:10–15:40	Parallel Session	S	T	1	T	1		
	H Hall Applied Data Usage Track: L Hall M Hall Environment, Law, and Emissions Reduction Track: Climate							
	Usage of the National Observations Database Moderator: Dr. Anna Trajtenbrot,	Track: Advanced Methodologi es in Nature Conservation	Agro-Eecology Moderator: Dr. Guy Rotem – EcologyWise – Ecology, Environment, Landscape	New Atmosphere in Investments Moderator: Dr. Liad Ortar,	R&D and Climate Initiatives in	Forest and Pasture Moderator: Dr. Efrat Sheffer, The Hebrew		





15:40–16:00	Ministry of Environmental Protection Coffee Break	Moderator: Prof. Yossi Shoval, Tel Aviv University		Shibolet ESG Manager	Moderator: Dr. Doron Merkel, Chief Scientist, JNF	University of Jerusalem
16:00–17:30	Parallel Session H Hall Applied Data Usage Track: Environmental Challenges in the Data and Information Era – Artificial Intelligence, Big Data and Remote- Sensing Moderator: Dr. Zohar Barnett- Izhaki, Ruppin Academic Center	I Hall Nature Conservation and Ecology Track: Managing Animal Populations Moderator: Ms. Tamar Raviv, Ministry of Environmental Protection	F Hall Agriculture Track Renewing Agriculture — from Farmer, to Scientist, to Policy Makers Co-moderators: Dr. Gil Eshel, Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development, and Dr. Yael Laor, Volcani Center	M Hall Climate and Emissions Reduction Track Technologies for Emissions Reduction in the Energy Market Moderator: Dr. Shachar Dolev, Ministry of National Infrastructure s, Water and Energy Resources	and Behavior Moderator: Prof. Nir	K Hall Forest and Vegetation Track: Vegetation and Soil Ecology Moderator: Dr. Tamir Klein, Weizmann Institute of Science
17:30–18:30	General Assemi Electing the Exe	•	Society of Ecology	and Environme	ntal Sciences	
19:30–22:00	Gala – main ple *Reservations o	•				

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	Opening Plenary Session						
08:45– 10:00	We Are the Weather Mr. Jonathan Safran Foyer Prof. Noga Kronfeld-Schor, Chief Scientist, Ministry of Environmental Protection 50 years of Research on the Coral Reefs of Eilat Prof. Yossi Yovel, Tel Aviv University Prof. Yossi Loya, Professor Emeritus of Marine Ecology at Tel Aviv University, Lifetime Achievement Award Laureate						
10:10-	Parallel Session	ons					
11: 40	H Hall Urbanism, Planning, Community and Environment Track: Knowledge and Science as a Driver for Change: Climate Resilience in Local Authorities Moderato: Dr. Zohar Berman, Manager of the Israeli Climate Forum Established by the Israeli President Special guest: Dr. Eleni Myrivilli,	Health and Environment Track: The Effect of Pesticides on the "One Health" Approach Moderator: Dr. Gal Zagron, Ministry of Environmental Protection		M Hall Carbon Trading and Sequestration Track Sequestration and Capturing of Atmospheric Carbon in Marine and Terrestrial Ecosystems Moderator: Dr. Avner Gross, Ben Gurion University of the Negev, Academic Forum for Carbon Sequestration	and Emissions Reduction Track: Managing Climate Risks: From Theory to Actions Moderator: Attorney Hen Tirosh, Climate Risks and ESG,	K Hall Water Track: Aquatic Habitats and Runoff Management Moderator: Prof. Avital Gasith, Tel Aviv University, Israel Prize Laureate	





	UN Heat Adviser							
	Lunch Plenary							
11:50– 13:00	Food Security and Alternative Proteins – Challenges and Solutions							
10.00	Opening Lecture: Mr. Nir Goldstein, CEO, GFI Israel							
	Prof. Ron Milo, Chairman of the Israel Society of Ecology and Environmental Sciences MEETS Prof. Ruth DeFries, Department of Ecology, Evolution and Environmental Biology, Colombia University							
	Dr. Shira Efron, Senior Director of Policy Research at Israel Policy Forum and Senior Advisor to Israel's Ministry of Defense and National Security Council MEETS							
	Ms. Caitlin Welsh, Director of the Global Food Security Program, at the Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS)							
	Israeli Alternative Protein Technologies Dr. Lee Recht, VP of Sustainability, Aleph Farms Dr. Ori Cohavi, CTO, Remilk Mr. Sagi Dagan, VP & Head of Strategy Division, Israel Innovation Authority							
	Food Security on the Global Stage – Panel Moderated by Ms. Alla Voldman Rantzer, VP of Government & Strategy, GFI Mr. Gideon Bachar, Special Envoy for Climate Change and Sustainability in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs Ms. Stephanie Hallett, Deputy Chief of Mission to the US Ambassador in Israel Mr. Ben Myers, Deputy Head of Mission, British Embassy Israel							
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13:00– 14:00	Lunch + Posters							
14:00- 15:30	Parallel Session	ons						
1 13.30	H Hall Climate and Emissions Reduction Track:	I Hall Sustainable Food Track:	F Hall Environmental Education Track:	M Hall Carbon Trading and Sequestration Track:	<u>L Hall</u> Economy, Law and Climate Track:	K Hall Water Track: Challenges and Opportunities in		
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	Climate Change from Micro to Macro Moderator: Prof. Anat Tchetchik, Bar-llan University	Dr. Michal Halpert, GFI, In Cooperation	Civil Research Initiatives of Local Biodiversity as an Educational Tool Moderator: Nadan Goffer, CEO, Green Step	Sequestration and Capturing Atmospheric Carbon – Fron Deep in Soil to the Startup Creation Moderator: Dr. Naama Lang-Yona, Academic Ford for Carbon Sequestration	Moderator: Dr. Or Karasin, The Open University	Co-moderators: Mr. Ze'ev Achipaz,
15:30– 16:00	Coffee					
16:00-	Parallel Session	ons				
17:30	Emissions Reduction Track: Local Climate Moderator: Prof. Ofira Ayalon, Haifa University, Samuel Neaman Institute, the	Urbanism, Planning, Community, and Environment Track Planning, Environment, and Their Interrelationship	Community Moderator: Dr. Iris Alkaher, Kibbutzim College	Carbon Trading and Sequestration Track: Carbon Sequestration and Capture Using the Natural Ecosystems	Health and Environment Track: Health, Environment, and Wellbeing Moderator: Dr. Maya Negev, Haifa University	K Hall Water Track: Pollution and Restoration of Water Systems in Israel Moderator: Prof. Shay Arnon, Ben Gurion University of the Negev

