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Ben-Gurion University  
of the Negev

**TENTATIVE** Program  
18th Sede Boqer Symposium  
on Solar Electricity Production  
February 17-18, 2013

George Evens Family Auditorium  
Jacob Blaustein Institutes for Desert Research  
Sede Boqer Campus

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# Program

Sunday, February 17, 2013

**9:00 – 10:30** Arrival at the Evens Auditorium, Midreshet Ben-Gurion, **Registration & Reception**

**10:30-11:00** **Opening Greetings**

(Chair: Prof. David Faiman, BGU Blaustein Institutes, Sede Boqer)

Professor **Steve Rosen**, Assistant Rector, Ben-Gurion University

Prof. **Pedro Berliner**, Director, BGU Blaustein Institutes for Desert Research

Dr. **Yoel Cohen**, Ministry of Energy and Water

Dr. **Ella Strauss**, Ministry of Science and Technology

**11:00-12:00** **Session 1: Invited Keynote Lecture and Discussion**

Chair: TBA

*Multijunction solar cells: Where we are, how we got here and where we could go*

**Andreas W. Bett**, Deputy Director and Director,

Division Materials - Solar Cells and Technology

Fraunhofer-Institut für Solare Energiesysteme, ISE, Germany

**12:00-13:30** **Lunch** – Dining room, High School for Environmental Studies

**13:30-15:00** **Session 2:**

(Chair: TBA)

1. *Light trapping in P3HT:PCBM solar cells: Towards Improved Spectrum Utilization*

**Ma'yan Rumbak**<sup>1,3</sup>, Rafi Shikler<sup>2,3</sup>, Iris Visoly-Fisher<sup>1,3</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Dept. of Chemistry, <sup>2</sup>Dept. of Electrical and Computer Engineering and <sup>3</sup>Ilse Katz Institute for Nanoscale Science and Technology, Ben-Gurion University

2. *Detailed Modeling of Photon Enhanced Thermionic Emission for Solar Energy Conversion*

**Gideon Segev**, Yossi Rosenwaks and Abraham Kribus

Faculty of Engineering, Tel-Aviv University

3. *Entropy driven multi-photon upconversion*

**Assaf Manor**, Nimrod Kruger and Carmel Rotschild

Excitonics lab, Mechanical Engineering, The Technion

4. *Multiple-bandgap vertical-junction architectures for ultra-efficient concentrator solar cells and thermal applications*

**Avi Braun**<sup>1</sup>, Alexis Vossier<sup>1</sup>, Eugene A. Katz<sup>1</sup>, Nicholas J. Ekins-Daukes<sup>2</sup> and Jeffrey M. Gordon

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5. *Vertical Multi-Junction (VMJ) Silicon solar Cells with Radial Junctions*

**Rona Sarfaty**<sup>1</sup>, Eran Zeierman<sup>2</sup>, Gideon Segev<sup>2</sup>, Abraham Kribus<sup>2</sup> and Yossi Rosenwaks<sup>2</sup>

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**15:00-15:30 Coffee break**

**15:30-17:00 Session 3:**

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1. *Electronic Properties of Grain Boundaries in Thin Film CU(In,Ga)Se<sub>2</sub> Solar Cells*  
**Doron Azulay**, Isaac Balberg and Oded Millo  
Racah Institute of Physics, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem
2. *Combinatorial Material Science for the Development of All-Oxide Photovoltaics*  
**Sven Rühle**, Assaf Y. Anderson, Hannah-Noa Barad, Yaniv Bouhadana, Adam Ginsburg, David, Keller, Benjamin Kupfer, Koushik Majhi, Eli Rosh-Hodesh, Klimentiy Shimanovich, Arie Zaban  
Institute for Nanotechnology & Advanced Materials, Dept. of Chemistry, Bar Ilan University
3. *Si Solar Cells of Small Area for Low Irradiance Working Conditions*  
**Chen Klein**, Ygal Eisenberg, Lev Kreinin, Ninel Bordin and Naftali Eisenberg  
Jerusalem College of Technology (JCT)
4. *n-Si Based Solar Cells Fabricated using B Ion Implantation*  
**Ygal Eisenberg**<sup>1</sup>, Lev Kreinin<sup>1</sup>, Ninel Bordin<sup>1</sup>, Chen Klein<sup>1</sup>, Naftali Eisenberg<sup>1</sup>, S. Hava<sup>2</sup>, G. Grigorieva<sup>3</sup>, M. Kagan<sup>3</sup> and K. Zviagina<sup>3</sup>  
<sup>1</sup>Jerusalem College of Technology (JCT); <sup>2</sup>Dept. of Electrical and Electronic Engineering, Ben-Gurion University; <sup>3</sup>OJSC RPE "KVANT"
5. *Recent Developments in Photovoltaic Dye Cells at 3GSolar*  
**Jonathan Goldstein**, Nir Stein, Barry Breen, Michael Schwartz, Izhak Barzilai and Ron Paz  
3GSolar Photovoltaics Ltd.
6. *Israel's Feed-in Tariff: Some lessons learnt*  
**Honi Kabalo**  
Public Utilities Authority - Electricity

**17:00-18:30 Free time (final registration, room check-in)**

**18:30-20:00 Dinner - Dining room, High School for Environmental Studies**

**20:30 A Kibbutz Cultural Event (at Kibbutz Sde Boqer)**

A short lecture (in Hebrew) by composer, Prof. Michael Wolpe, on "Music in Cinema" followed by a screening of the entire movie "Richard the Third" (not Shakespeare's!)

**Monday, February 18, 2013****9:00-10:30 Session 4:**

(Chair: TBA)

1. *Concentrated Sunlight for Accelerated Assessment of Operational Stability of Organic Photovoltaics*  
**Celine Bounioux**<sup>1</sup>, Assaf Mescheloff,<sup>1</sup> Avi Braun,<sup>1</sup> Maor Gabai,<sup>2</sup> Iris Visoly-Fisher,<sup>2</sup> L. Zeiri,<sup>3</sup> Yulia Galagan<sup>4</sup> and Eugene A. Katz<sup>1</sup>  
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2. *Measuring External Quantum Efficiency of Organic Solar Cells in as-produced and Degraded States*  
**Assaf Mescheloff**<sup>1, 2</sup>, Yulia Galagan<sup>3</sup> and Eugene A. Katz<sup>2</sup>  
<sup>1</sup>Albert Katz School for Desert Studies; <sup>2</sup>Dept. of Solar Energy and Environmental Physics, Blaustein Institutes for Desert Research, Ben-Gurion University; <sup>3</sup>Host Centre, Eindhoven, The Netherlands
3. *Modeling the Soitec/Concentrix CPV System: Which are the Big Effects?*  
**Ehud Strobach**<sup>1, 2</sup> and David Faiman<sup>2</sup>  
<sup>1</sup>Albert Katz School for Desert Studies, <sup>2</sup>Department of Solar Energy and Environmental Physics, Blaustein Institutes for Desert Research, Ben-Gurion University
4. *Modeling Impurity Transport in a Vanadium Redox (VRB) Battery*  
**Moshe Averbukh**<sup>1</sup> and David Faiman<sup>1</sup>, Kfir Batat<sup>1, 2</sup>  
<sup>1</sup>Dept. of Solar Energy and Environmental Physics, Blaustein Institutes for Desert Research, Ben-Gurion University, <sup>2</sup>Energy Engineering Department
5. *Charging Li-Ion Battery from PV Panels: Power Electronics Interface Modeling and Operation Modes*  
**M. Sitbon**, G. Gadelovits and Alon Kuperman  
Dept. of Electrical Engineering and Electronics, Ariel University Center

**10:30-11:00** Coffee Break**11:00-12:00 Session 5: Invited Keynote Lecture and Discussion**

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*"PV and CPV qualification and standards testing"***Liang Ji**,

Chairman, International PV Qualifications and Standards Committee at Underwriters Laboratories, Inc., USA

**12:00-13:30 Lunch** – Dining room, High School for Environmental Studies**13:30-15:00 Session 6:**

1. *Employing PV Panel Modeling to Predict Boundary Operating conditions of Power Electronics Interfaces*  
**Alon Kuperman**<sup>1</sup>, Simon Lineykin<sup>2</sup>, M. Sitbon<sup>1</sup>, S. Gadelovits<sup>1</sup> and Moshe Averbukh<sup>3</sup>  
<sup>1</sup>Dept. of Electrical Engineering and Electronics, Ariel University Center; <sup>2</sup>Dept. of Mechanical Engineering and Mechatronics, Ariel University Center; <sup>3</sup>Dept. of Solar Energy and Environmental Physics, Blaustein Institutes for Desert Research, Ben-Gurion University

2. *Extracting the Parameters of Amorphous Solar Panels based on I-V Characteristics*  
**Simon Lineykin**<sup>1</sup>, Moshe Averbukh<sup>2</sup>, and Alon Kuperman<sup>3</sup>  
<sup>1</sup>Dept. of Mechanical Engineering and Mechatronics, Ariel University Center;  
<sup>2</sup>Dept. of Solar Energy and Environmental Physics, Blaustein Institutes for Desert Research, Ben-Gurion University; <sup>3</sup>Dept. of Electrical Engineering and Electronics, Ariel University Center
3. *Monitoring of the output of PV Modules under a Variety of Meteorological conditions*  
**Pavel Pokrass** and Sergey Biryukov  
 Dept. of Solar Energy and Environmental Physics, Blaustein Institutes for Desert Research, Ben-Gurion University
4. *A Survey of PV Module Parameters VS PV Technology*  
**Reuven Godali** and Ido Cohen  
 Energy Systems Branch, The Standards Institute of Israel
5. *Platform MYRTE - coupling PV plant and hydrogen chain - First one year of experiments*  
**Philippe Poggi**, C. Thibault, D. Darras and I. Luciani  
 Laboratory Science for Environment, University of Corsica

**15:00-15:30** Coffee break

**15:30-17:00 Session 7:**

(Chair: TBA)

1. *First Direct Measurement of the Spatial Coherence of Sunlight*  
**Heylal Mashal**, Alex Goldstein, Daniel Feuermann, Jeffrey M. Gordon  
 Dept. of Solar Energy and Environmental Physics, Blaustein Institutes for Desert Research, Ben-Gurion University
2. *Spectral Emissivity of sol-gel Prepared Selective Coatings at Elevated Temperatures*  
**Oleg Shkolnik**<sup>1</sup>, Daniel Feuermann<sup>1</sup>, Eran Maimon<sup>2</sup>, Yuri Flitsanov<sup>2</sup>, Avi Kribus<sup>2</sup>, Camille Zwicker<sup>3</sup>, Daniel Mandler<sup>3</sup> and Shlomo Magdassi<sup>3</sup>  
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3. *Combined Solar-Gas Power Plants for Ensuring Uninterrupted Electricity Dispatch while also Extending the Life Span of Gas Wells*  
**Aharon Roy**  
 Dept. of Chemical Engineering, Ben-Gurion University
4. *Application of Hydrogen Low Resolution NMR for investigation of the problem of solar Collector Soiling*  
**Leonid Yarmolinskiy**<sup>1</sup>, Sergey Biryukov<sup>1</sup> and Paulina Berman<sup>2</sup>  
<sup>1</sup> Dept. of Solar Energy and Environmental Physics, Blaustein Institutes for Desert Research, Ben-Gurion University; <sup>2</sup>Phyto-lipid Laboratory, Biotechnology Dept, Ben-Gurion University
5. *The Global Problem: How Could China Help?*  
**David Faiman**  
 Dept. of Solar Energy and Environmental Physics, Blaustein Institutes for Desert Research, Ben-Gurion University

**17:00-17:30** CLOSING REMARKS

Coffee + refreshments