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Invitation to
the 49th Board of
Governors Meeting

May 19–23, 2019

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Sunday,
May 19, 2019

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4:00 p.m.

Finance Committee Meeting
Chairperson: Eric Charles, UK
W.A. Minkoff Senate Hall

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6:00 p.m.

Campus Tours:
**General Tour of the Marcus
Family Campus**
*Or Tour of the New
Sculpture Trail on the
Marcus Family Campus*

*Departing from the campus
model adjacent to the W.A.
Minkoff Senate Hall*

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7:00 p.m.

**Meet and Greet Dinner
with President Prof. Daniel
Chamovitz**

**for our guests from abroad*

Deichmann Plaza



Monday, May 20, 2019

9:30 a.m.
Registration

10:00 a.m.
**Opening Plenary Session of
the 49th Board of Governors
Meeting**

With:
Alexander M. Goren, Chairman of
the Board of Governors
Prof. Chaim Hames, Rector
Announcement of the Seventh
Goldstein-Goren International
Prize for the Most Important Book
in Jewish Thought 2016-2018

**Inaugural Address: President
Prof. Daniel Chamovitz**
Joya Claire Sonnenfeldt Auditorium

11:00 a.m.
BGU Talks
Inspiring short talks by stellar
BGU researchers
Dr. Sarah Abu-Kaf, Conflict
Management and Resolution
Program
Dr. Hadar Ben-Yoav, Dept. of
Biomedical Engineering
Prof. Anne Bernheim, Dept. of
Chemical Engineering
Prof. Eli Lewis, Chair, Dept.

of Clinical Biochemistry and
Pharmacology
Moderator: Dana Gavish-Fridman,
Head of Yazamut 360 for
Entrepreneurship, BGU
Joya Claire Sonnenfeldt Auditorium

12:00 noon
Lunch

1:00 p.m.
**Chamber Music Concert in
Memory of Dr. Heinz-Horst
Deichmann**

Performed by BGU staff and
students
Musical direction: Daniel Lachish
Joya Claire Sonnenfeldt Auditorium

3:00 p.m.
**Irene and Hyman Kreitman
Annual Memorial Event
Spotlight on the New National
Autism Research Center at BGU**
Participants:
Prof. Ilan Dinstein, Depts. of
Psychology and of Cognitive &
Brain Sciences
Prof. Gal Meiri, MD, Faculty of
Health Sciences and Psychiatry

Division, SUMC
Prof. Hava Golan, Dept. of
Physiology and Cell Biology
Dr. Idan Menashe, Dept. of Public
Health
W.A. Minkoff Senate Hall

4:30 p.m.
**Student Event: Osim Rehov
(Street Makeover)**
Pitch in at a Student Union
project to improve a community
space in Beer-Sheva
Sponsored by donors from
AABGU

Peretz Garden, Ringelblum St.
** Casual clothes that can be dirtied
recommended*

8:00 p.m.
**Gala Evening in Honor
of Alex Goren, Outgoing
Chairman of the Board of
Governors**
Dinner
***Kamuyot: A Dance Performance
by the Batsheva Dance Company***
** For registered participants only*
Jacqueline Ann Ayrton Sports Hall

Tuesday,
May 21, 2019

9:30 a.m.

**Ceremony Recognizing
the University's Most Loyal
Supporters**

*In front of the Zalman Aranne
Central Library*

11:00 a.m.

**Academics at BGU:
A Panel Discussion with
Rector Prof. Chaim Hames**

Participants:

Prof. Ohad Ben-Shahar, Chair,
Dept. of Computer Science
Dr. Orit Ouaknine-Yekutieli, Dept.
of Middle East Studies
Dr. Miriam Amiram, Avram and
Stella Goldstein-Goren Dept. of
Biotechnology Engineering

W.A. Minkoff Senate Hall



12:15 p.m.

**Annual Halpérin Lecture
*Legalized Families in the Era of
Bordered Globalization***

Speaker: Prof. Daphna Hacker,
Buchmann Faculty of Law; Head,
Women and Gender Studies
Program, Tel Aviv University

Moderator: Prof. Dani Filc, Dept.
of Politics and Government

In the presence of the Halpérin
family, Switzerland and Israel

W.A. Minkoff Senate Hall

1:15 p.m.

Lunch

2:30 p.m.

Annual Zlotowski Event

Keynote speaker: Amb. Daniel B.
Shapiro, former US Ambassador
to Israel

Panel Discussion:

*Cyber Politics: Election
Interference in the Digital Age*
Chair: Prof. Sharon Pardo, Dept.
of Politics and Government
with researchers from the Dept.
of Software and Information

Systems Engineering:
Prof. Bracha Shapira
Dr. Oren Tsur
Prof. Lior Rokach

**Presentation of the Zlotowski
Admission Awards for
Outstanding Students**

In the presence of Adelene
Zlotowski, Israel

W.A. Minkoff Senate Hall

7:30 p.m.

**Conferral Ceremony of
Honorary Doctoral Degrees
Upon:**

Dr. Jan Low, USA
Ohad Naharin, Israel
Justice Prof. Ahmad Natour, Israel
Amb. Daniel B. Shapiro, USA
Toni Young, USA

and the President's Award upon:
Adv. Asher Heled, Israel

Joya Claire Sonnenfeldt Auditorium

8:30 p.m.

Reception and Dinner

Udi Garden

**Warm clothing recommended*

**Wednesday,
May 22, 2019**

10:00 a.m.

**Annual Review of Research
Activities at the Jacob
Blaustein Institutes for
Desert Research**

Prof. Noam Weisbrod, BIDR Director
with:

Dr. Merav Seifan, Swiss Institute
for Dryland Environmental and
Energy Research

Dr. Oded Nir, Zuckerberg Institute
for Water Research

Dr. Benyamin Rosental, French
Associates Institute for Agriculture
and Biotechnology of Drylands

*George Evens Family Auditorium
BGU Sede Boqer Campus*



11:00 a.m.

Breakout Tours and Meetings

with researchers and students
at the Jacob Blaustein
Institutes for Desert Research
and the Ben-Gurion Research
Institute for the Study of Israel
and Zionism

** Pre-registration through IGT*

12:00 noon

Lunch

*Esther and Michel Halpérin
Student Center*



1:00 p.m.

**Meeting Contemporary
Challenges in Food
Security**

Keynote Speaker: Dr. Jan Low,
Principal Scientist, International
Potato Center

*Addressing the Triple Burden of
Malnutrition in Africa with the
Biofortified Sweetpotato*

Panel Discussion

with researchers from the
French Associates Institute for
Agriculture and Biotechnology of
Drylands:

Moderator: Prof. Aaron Fait

Prof. Naftali Lazarovitch

Prof. Shimon Rachmilevitch

George Evens Family Auditorium

7:00 p.m.

**Festive Lag Ba'Omer
Closing Event**

*BGU David Tuviyahu Campus,
Beer-Sheva*

**For registered participants*

*Outdoors event, warm clothing
recommended*



Thursday, May 23, 2019

Optional Post-Board Program

10:00 a.m.

2nd Governors' Lecture Series

Human-Technology Interactions

Should humans and robots be
friends?

Prof. Tal Oron-Gilad, Dept. of
Industrial Engineering and
Management

*Teaming with Autonomous
Systems*

Dr. Jessica Cauchard, Dept.
of Industrial Engineering and
Management

Game of Drones

Dr. Nea Ehrlich, Dept. of the Arts
*Seeing the World through Robot
Eyes*

Followed by a tour and hands-
on experience in the Dept. of
Industrial Engineering and
Management labs

*Jack, Joseph and Morton Mandel
Institute for Social Leadership,
Room 001*

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1:00 p.m.

Lunch

2:00 p.m.

Program concludes



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