Call for Papers and Announcement
UNESCO CHAIR IN BIOETHICS

International Conference on

Bioethics Today in the Mirror of Future Generations

Under the auspices of:

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February 11-14, 2007 Hilton Queen of Sheba Hotel Eilat, Israel

The International Center for Health, Law and Ethics Faculty of Law - University of Haifa



Dear Colleagues,

The point of departure of the Conference is that the present generation has the responsibility of safeguarding the needs and interests of future generations. The basic concept of the organizers is that the present generation should strive to ensure the maintenance and perpetuation of humankind with due respect for the dignity of the human person. The task of protecting the needs and interests of future generations, particularly through education, is fundamental to the ethical mission of UNESCO, whose Constitution enshrines the ideals of justice and liberty and peace. Consequently, there is a moral obligation to formulate behavioral guidelines for the present generation within a broad, future-oriented perspective. Full respect for human rights and ideals of democracy constitute an essential basis for the protection of the needs and interests of future generations.

The Conference will study the necessity for establishing new, equitable and global links of partnership and intra-generational solidarity for the perpetuation of humankind. The scientific program will refer to the impact of present-day problems, such as poverty, technological and material underdevelopment, unemployment, exclusion, discrimination and threats to the environment in the interest of future generations. Certain sessions will be dedicated to the responsibility of the present generation to bequeath to future generations an Earth which will not be irreversibly damaged by human activity, and tools to use natural resources reasonably, to ensure that life is not prejudiced by harmful modifications of the ecosystems and that scientific technological progress in all fields does not harm life on Earth.

Attention will be drawn to the preservation of future generations' natural resources necessary for sustaining human life and its development. The Conference will study the protection of the human genome, in full respect of the dignity of the human person and human rights, and the protection of biodiversity.

The basic concept of the organizers is that education should be used to foster peace, justice, understanding, tolerance and equality for the benefit of present and future generations, and that a conference like the present one is an important instrument for the study and promotion of this concept.

Prof. Amnon Carmi Conference Chairman

Conference Topics

- Accountability to future generations
 - Ethical/Moral aspects
 - Cultural aspects
 - Economic aspects
 - Future generations
 - Essence, level and scope
 - Balancing (interests of) present generation against future generations
- The global political approach
 - UNESCO declaration on bioethics and human rights
 - UNESCO involvement in bio-ethics and effects on future generations
- The Israeli Commission for the Future Generations
- Forecasted expectation for future generations:
 - Health care in future generations
 - Development of science, medicine and technology in future generations
 - Expected approaches to international law in future generations
 - Universal guiding principles in science, medicine and technology
 - Morality
 - Human rights
 - Basic freedoms

- Desirable future involvement
 Fostering interdisciplinary and pluralistic dialogues
 - Advancement of information handling, information flow and information sharing techniques
 - Tuition and education regarding bioethics in future generations
- Case by case discussion of the principles of bioethics with reference to future generations
 - Autonomy of the individual and mankind
 - Consideration of benefits and harm
 - Consideration of vulnerable
 populations
 - Miscellaneous cultural and pluralistic considerations
 - Consideration of the biosphere
 - Assisted reproductive techniques
- Eco bioethics
 - Eco bioethics in ART (Assisted Reproductive Techniques)

Abstracts

Abstracts for oral and poster presentation of approximately 250 words are invited on the following topics:

- Bioethics in future generations
- Bioethics, science and technology in future generations
- Bioethics and medicine in future generations
- Bioethics and education in future generations
- Bioethics and environment in future generations
- Bioethics and economy in future generations
- Eco Bioethics
- Eco Bioethics in ART

Email abstract to: **seminars@isas.co.il** and fax a copy of the abstract to +972-2-6520558 for verification. Please be certain to include the following: title, authors' names and places of work, and contact information including email address, postal address and telephone number.

Deadline for abstract submission: November 30, 2006

General Information

Venue: Hilton Queen of Sheba Hotel, Eilat

Date: February 11 - 14, 2007

Language: The conference will be held in English

Climate: 15-25°C sunny, rarely rains

Letter of Invitation: Upon request, the Conference Secretariat will supply participants with personal invitations to the Conference. Such invitations are meant only to help visitors raise travel funds or obtain visas and does not represent a commitment on the part of the organizers to provide financial support. **Certificate of Participation:** A Certificate of Participation will be supplied upon request.

Cancellation Policy: Cancellations received by December 15, will be refunded in full, less a \$60 processing charge. There will be a 80% refund for cancellations received between December 16, 2006 and January 30, 2007. There will be a 60% refund for cancellations received between January 31, 2007 and February 9, 2007. After February 9, a 40% refund will be returned to participants not attending the conference.

Registration and Accommodation

An all-inclusive special package includes: entrance into all scientific sessions, name tag, program, 4 breakfasts, 3 lunches, 7 coffee/cake breaks, fork-dinner gettogether, half-day tour, and 4 nights hotel accommodation at the Eilat Hilton, the conference venue. **Registration only** includes entry to all scientific sessions, half-day tour, name tag, get together reception fork dinner, 3 lunches and 7 coffee/cake breaks.

Accompanying Persons Fee includes 4 nights accommodation in double room at Hilton Queen of Sheba Hotel Eilat, including 4 breakfasts, 3 lunches, welcoming get-together reception forkdinner, opening ceremony and one halfday tour. Accompanying persons may not attend sessions.

Prices	Until December 15	After December 15	
Special Package: Registration and	accommodation		€1=\$1.25
for participant in double room	\$695	\$819	
for participant in single occupancy	\$955	\$1079	
Registration only	\$395	\$465	
Accompanying person in double ro	om \$495	\$565	
Gala Banquet	\$50	\$50	

There is a \$50 supplemental on-site fee for participants who did not pre-register.

Pre and Post Conference Hote	el Extensions			
	Single Occ. p	er room	Double Occ. per room	1
Eilat Hilton Queen of Sheba Hotel		\$140	\$160	
Jerusalem Renaissance Hotel		\$135	\$165	
Tel Aviv Metropolitan Hotel	Regular room	\$75	\$95	
	Exec Suite	\$120	\$140	

All rooms include 15% service charge, bed and full Israeli breakfast.

Tours

Welcoming Reception: A buffet "fork" dinner get-together reception will be held on February 11 from 19:00-20:00.

Farewell Banquet: An optional festive evening will be held on February 13 from 20:00. Cost - \$50 (Dress – informal)

Half-day Tour: North to scenic Mitzpeh Yair overlooking the city of Eilat. Then on to Kibbutz Yotvata to very briefly experience a kibbutz, then visit ancient desert aquifer, finishing tour with visit to Taba, the border crossing into Egypt.

Transportation from Tel Aviv to Eilat:

Eilat is a one-hour flight from Tel Aviv's Ben Gurion Airport (~\$75 each way – prebook via your travel agent as a separate leg on your excursion air-ticket). Less recommended but cheaper options include bus transportation (~\$25 round trip) daily from the Tel Aviv Central bus station and takes about four hours. Tickets must be reserved/prepaid to guarantee a seat. A private taxi to Eilat costs approximately \$200.

Website: For updates please visit: www.isas.co.il/bioethics2007

Secretariat: ISAS International Seminars POB 574, Jerusalem 91004, Israel

Tel: 972-2-6520574 Fax: 972-2-6520558 seminars@isas.co.il The following tours require a minimum of 15 participants. Tours are subject to change. Lunches not included.

Tour 1: Masada, Dead Sea & Jerusalem February 15-18 (3 nights)

Thursday: Depart hotel 12:30. Box lunch provided. Drive through the Negev via the Arava highway. Visit the ancient fortress of Masada, the last stronghold of the Jews during the revolt against the Romans in the first century. Overnight at Dead Sea. Friday: Full Day Tour of Jerusalem Proceed along the Dead Sea and Judean Desert to Jerusalem. Drive to Mount of Olives for panoramic view of Jerusalem. Walking tour of the Old City of Jerusalem, through the Jewish Quarter, Western Wall, view of the Dome of the Rock and then walk part of the Via Dolorosa to the Church of the Holy Sepulchre. Orientation drive through the new city to view the Knesset and the Shrine of the Book. Visit Kibbutz Ramat Rachel for a panoramic view of Bethlehem.

Overnight in Jerusalem.

Saturday: Free. Overnight inJerusalem.Double occupancy per person\$370 (B/B)Single occupancy\$495 (B/B)

Tour 2: Galilee and Golan Heights February 18-19

Sunday: Depart Jerusalem and drive along the Jordan Valley to Beit Shaan - visit the ruins of a major Roman city. Continue north to Capernaum - see the ruins of Peter's House and the ancient synagogue.

Monday: Ascend east to Golan Heights and the Banias (one of the head waters of the Jordan River). Continue south to Nazareth to visit the Basilica of the Annunciation. Drive along the coastal road to Tel Aviv.

Double occupancy per person\$229 (B/B)Single occupancy\$259 (B/B)

Registration Form – Bioethics

Please type or print in block letters and return to: ISAS International Seminars, POB 574, Jerusalem 91004, Israel Tel: +972-2-6520574; Fax: +972-2-6520558 email: register@isas.co.il				
Surname:				
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• Please reserve additional accommodation at the Conference venue Hilton Queen of Sheba Hotel:				
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• Please reserve pre/post conference accommodation at the Tel Aviv Metropolitan Hotel as follows:				
check in date check out date				
I will share my room with *				
• Please reserve pre/post conference accommodation at the Jerusalem Renaissance as follows:				
check in date check out date				
I will share my room with *				
* It is the sole responsibility of the participants to find a roommate. In the absence of a roommate, single occupancy price will be charged.				

Please reserve seats on the followin Tour 1: Masada, Dead Sea & Jerusale (February 15-18) seat(s)	em			
I will share my room with*				
Tour 2: Galilee and Golan (February 18-19) seat(s) single room double room*				
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Please itemize payments: Registration and accommodation	\$			
Registration only	\$			
Gala	\$			
Accompanying person	\$			
Hilton Eilat (Extension)	\$			
Metropolitan Hotel Tel Aviv	\$			
Jerusalem Renaissance	\$			
Tour 1	\$			
Tour 2	\$			
Total	\$			
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