



Dear Participant

We look forward to welcoming you to the Strings 2017 Conference, to be held on June 25-30, 2017.

Please find below information which will be of assistance to you upon your arrival in Israel:

#### **Conference Venue**

##### **Dan Panorama Hotel Tel Aviv**

10 Kaufman Street, Charles Clore Park  
Tel Aviv  
Israel

#### **Conference Hotels - Accommodation**

<b>Hotel</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Tel.</b>
Dan Panorama Tel Aviv - <i>Conference Venue</i>	10 Kaufman Street , Charles Clore Park , Tel Aviv	+972-3-5190190
Mercure Tel Aviv	14 Ben-Yehuda Street, Tel-Aviv	+972-3-6288888
Metropolitan Hotel	11 Trumpeldor Street, Tel Aviv	+972-3-5192727
Maxim Hotel	105 Hayarkon Street, Tel-Aviv	+972-3-5173721
Arcadia Tower	3 Ben-Yehuda Street, Tel-Aviv	+972-3-7349529
Deborah Hotel	87 Ben-Yehuda Street, Tel-Aviv	+972-3-5278282

#### **Final Confirmation**

An itemized "Final Confirmation" of registration and other services reserved was recently sent to participants. Please make sure that you have received this confirmation and that all details in it are accurate.

#### **Official check-in/check-out Time at Hotels:**

Check-in: Sunday-Friday – from 15:00; Saturday – from 21:00

Check-out: until 11:00

Hotel reservation: if included in the Final Confirmation, you may check-in at your hotel without a reservation number. The Hotel has received from us (Diesenhaus-Unitours) the names of guests.

## Transportation from/to Ben-Gurion International Airport

### 1. Pre-reserved arrival/departure transfers operated by Diesenhaus-Unitours (Sharing Basis)

Pre-Reserved Arrival transfers: if included in your Final Confirmation, a representative of Diesenhaus-Unitours holding a sign "STRINGS", will meet you upon arrival at the Tourist Information Desk, located close to baggage claim. You will be taken to your hotel in Tel Aviv.

Emergency contact at the airport: +972-50-5614068 (Mr. David Shorer).

Pre-reserved Departure Transfer: if included in your Final Confirmation, you will receive pick-up details by e-mail prior to the conference.

### 2. Train from airport to Tel-Aviv

Get-off at the Tel-Aviv Center (Savidor-Arlozorov) Station.

exit the train station on the western (Tel Aviv) side to find taxis

From there, take a taxi to your hotel (approx. NIS 35-45 per taxi).

*General train schedule:* Sunday – Thursday: 00:53-23:20; Friday: 00:53-14:00; Saturday: 19:30-23:45

Train schedule: <http://www.rail.co.il/EN/Pages/HomePage.aspx>

### 3. Taxi Service

Taxis are freely available outside the airport terminal. Fare to Tel-Aviv is approx. \$38. A 25% surcharge

For night trips is in effect from 21:01 until 05:29 and from 14:00 on Fridays. Please ensure that the driver turns on the taxi meter. Tipping is not customary.

## Registration & Hospitality Desk

The Registration desk will operate at the Dan Panorama Tel Aviv Hotel as follows:

<b>Sunday</b> (hotel's main entrance)	18:00-20:00
<b>Monday</b> (Convention Center - H floor)	07:30 – 16:00
<b>Tuesday-Friday</b> (Convention Center - H floor)	08:30 – 16:00

## Registration Envelope

The personal envelope that you will receive upon registration will contain your name badge and tickets to lunches and events. Please wear the badge at all conference activities and present the relevant ticket at each event.

## Social Events

### Monday, June 26 at 19:00 - Get Together Reception

The event will take place at Dan Panorama Tel Aviv Hotel at the Pool Area.

*This event is included for registered participants and registered accompanying persons.*

*An invitation to the Event will be included in the registration envelope.*

### Wednesday, June 28, 17:30-20:00 - Social Activities

Departure at 17:30 from the Dan Panorama hotel, unless otherwise stated.

- *Jaffa Walking Tour: Departure from Conference coffee area (H floor)*
- *Segway – Departure from Dan Panorama hotel reception (L floor)- ticket required*
- *Folk Dance – Departure from Hotel Reception(L floor)*
- *Symposium – Departure at 18:00 from Dan Panorama Hotel Reception (L floor). ticket required*

## **Thursday, June 29, 19:30-22:30 – Conference Banquet at Port 15**

15 Htzorfim Street, Old Jaffa.

*Transportation will be provided.*

19:00 departure from 2 locations:

- Dan Panorama Tel Aviv Hotel - Reception (L floor)
- The Metropolitan Hotel (11 Trumpeldor Street) for participants staying at the other conference hotels: Arcadia Tower, Mercure, Metropolitan, Maxim & Deborah

Participants not staying in one of the above conference hotels, may join the transportation at any location most convenient for them.

*This event is included for registered participants and registered accompanying persons. An invitation to the Dinner will be included in the registration envelope.*

### **Conference Program**

To view the Conference Schedule and Talk Titles [click here](#)

### **Presenters Information**

Please view detailed Information for presenters

[Speakers](#)

[Poster Presenters](#)

### **Internet**

Free Wi-Fi is available in all areas at the conference venue.

Network: STRINGS

Password: strings2017

### **Climate & Clothing**

The weather in Tel-Aviv in June is hot during the day and warm at night. Temperatures range from 30° C to 23° C (86° F to 73° F). Casual dress is appropriate for all occasions. Comfortable walking shoes, sunglasses, hats, suntan lotion and swimsuits are recommended for tours and outdoors activities.

### **Electricity**

The Israeli power supply is single phase 220 volts at 50 Hertz. Most power sockets in Israel have three pin holes, but many of them will work with double-pin European plugs. Visitors who want to use shavers, travelling irons and other small appliances may need both transformers and adaptor plugs.

Please note that sockets for charging laptops and cell-phones will be available in the conference hall

### **Currency / Exchange**

The currency unit in Israel is the New Israeli Shekel (NIS), "Shekel" in short.

International credit cards are accepted for payment in most hotels, restaurants and shops. Exchange offices and ATM machines are easily available throughout the city and at Ben-Gurion International Airport. We recommend that you change some money at the airport for immediate needs.

### **Liability and Insurance**

The Conference Secretariat and Organizers cannot accept liability for personal accidents or loss of or damage to private property of participants and accompanying persons during the conference, social activities and tours. Participants are advised to arrange own personal travel and health insurance for their trip.

### Conference Documents at Airport

We recommend that you keep the Conference documents handy, in order to expedite the security process during check-in at airports for flights to/from Israel. It is recommended to arrive at Ben-Gurion Airport 3 hours prior to departure.

### Balance of Payment

Please note that payment of any outstanding balance for registration, hotel accommodation, tours, etc., reserved on the Conference Registration & Accommodation Form, must be made to Diesenhaus-Unitours at the **Hospitality Desk**. Expenses of a personal nature, such as telephone, bar etc., should be paid directly to the hotel.

### Tourist Information about Tel Aviv (Beaches, Events and more)

<https://www.tel-aviv.gov.il/en/visit/pages/visit.aspx>

### Optional Tours

#### TOUR A JERUSALEM – OLD CITY (Conference Tour)

Friday, June 30 (13:30-19:00)

**Departure:** 13:30 from the Dan Panorama Hotel

Drop off at end of tour: At conference hotels in Tel-Aviv

**Tours B, C and D are regular tours operated by Rent-A-Guide, and if reserved, the pick-up hotel should be listed in your Final Confirmation**

#### TOUR B: MASADA AND THE DEAD-SEA

Sunday June 25 / Saturday July 1 (07:20 – 18:00)

**Departure:** 07:20 from your hotel in Tel-Aviv

Drop off at end of tour: At your hotel in Tel-Aviv

#### TOUR C: BIBLICAL HIGHLIGHTS OF THE GALILEE

Saturday July 1 (07:20 – 18:00)

**Departure:** 07:20 from your hotel in Tel-Aviv

Drop off at end of tour: At your hotel in Tel-Aviv

#### Tour D: PEARLS OF THE WESTERN COAST: CAESAREA, HAIFA, ACRE AND ROSH HANIKRA

Sunday June 25 / Saturday July 1 (07:20 – 18:00)

**Departure:** 07:20 from your hotel in Tel-Aviv

Drop off at end of tour: At your hotel in Tel-Aviv

### Parking

Parking Lot	Entrance From
Dan Panorama hotel	31 Hamered Street
Tekuma	36 Hamered Street
Mered	32 Hamered Street
Ein Yaakov	16 Kaufman Street
Gan Ha'Kovshim 2	Hanania Street corner of Kaufman Street
Hatachana	65 Kaufman Street corner Mered Street

We wish you an exciting conference and an enjoyable stay in Israel.

**Conference Secretariat**

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**Emergency telephone number for tourism services:**

+972-52-8090122 (Magali) as of Friday, June 23 and for the duration of the conference.

**Conference Website:** <http://www.strings2017.org/>