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Enclosed please find a list of our new publications. You are invited to visit our web site at [www.neaman.org.il](http://www.neaman.org.il), download and read the recent publications of the Samuel Neaman Institute. In this edition, you may also read about future events at SNI, press coverage of our projects and video clips of important events that took place in the last quarter.

## New Publications

## Events



### [Israel Research Status – What the Indices Really Describe?](#)

Prof. Uri Kirsch

Research evaluations by qualitative indices involve various advantages – but also many limitations and deficiencies. Despite their importance, these evaluations are controversial, and often – misunderstood.

### [The fourteenth Annual Samuel Neaman Memorial Lecture](#)

Lecturers:  
**Dr. Shmuel Bar**

27.12.16

[Lecture video](#)

[Previous Events](#)



### [Israeli Oil and Gas Sector - Economic and Geopolitical Aspects](#)

Gina Cohen, Miki Komer

The document presents a review of the Israeli oil and gas sector at the beginning of 2016. It examines how Israel is affected by changes in global energy trends, what has been the impact on the country from the oil price decline, the financial and environmental benefits of the gas discoveries on the Israeli economy

## News

[Radio interview with Ofira Aylon on the Law of the plastic bags](#)  
08.01.17

[Interview in the matter of the plastic bags Law on Radio North](#)  
02.01.17

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### [UNESCO 2015: Science and Innovation in Israel](#)

Prof. Zehev Tadmor, Dr. Daphne Getz, Vered Gilad, Tsipy Buchnik, Dr. Eran Leck, Ella Barzani, Bella Zalmanovich, Idan Liebes, Oshrat Katz Shacham, Eliezer Shein, Dr. Noa Lavid

At UNESCO's request from Dr. Daphne Getz, SNI has written a chapter about science, technology, and innovation (STI) in Israel. The chapter was published as part of the UNESCO Science Report 2015, towards 2030.

## In the News

[The first day of the Law bags "unnecessary and doesn't benefits the environment"](#)  
01.01.17

[Scientific and technological training: expanding the bottlenecks](#)  
28.12.16

[The city of Givatayim decided to preserve its historic legacy](#)  
20.12.16

[Joint US-Israeli academic works jump 45%](#)  
09.12.16

[Joint Papers with U.S. an Israeli authors increase](#)  
07.12.16

[Heat stroke](#)  
02.12.16

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### [National policy in the area of Construction](#)

Prof. Arnon Bentur

National plan in the area of construction intended to leverage the expected huge scale of residential building construction for technological enhancement of the construction industry to improve the productivity, reduce the dependence on foreign workers and develop opportunities for employment of Israelis.

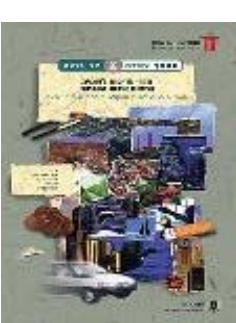
## Video

### [Israel's Land Policy and Housing Prices Abstract](#)

Prof. Rachelle Alterman's lecture

### [The Carob Tree](#)

[For more video recordings](#)



### [National Environmental Priorities, Position Paper X: Innovative agricultural technology industry in Israel, 2016](#)

Prof. Ofira Ayalon, Shiri Freund-Koren, Idan Liebes, Maayan Zerbib

This National Priorities document, the tenth to be published, summarizes updated knowledge and brings the subject of Agricultural Technologies (Agrotech) to the public agenda.

## Projects

### [First & second year report of Ramzor to the North Project](#)

Prof. Nitsa Movshovitz-Hadar, Prof. Atara Shriki, Varda Zigerson, Dr. Ruti Segal

This is the first and second year (out of three) report submitted to Trump Foundation, the directors of the Northern Region of the ministry of education, and of Neamann Institute.

### [The Carob Tree: A Radical Evolutionary Systemic Solution to the Pension Crisis](#)



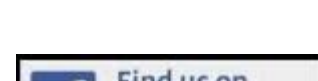
### [Mapping Research and Innovation in the State of Israel](#)

Dr. Eran Leck, Dr. Guillermo A. Lemarchand, April Tash

The present country profile is the result of a synergistic collaboration between the Samuel Neaman Institute (SNI) and UNESCO's Division of Science Policy and Capacity Building (Paris) at the invitation of the Israel Academy of Sciences and Humanities (IASH).

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### [Energy Forum 36: Energy Efficiency in Israel: Systems Upgrade](#)

Prof. Gershon Grossman, Yigal Evron



### [Israel-U.S Academic Relations](#)

Dr. Daphne Getz, Oshrat Katz Shacham, Bahina Eidelman, Ella Barzani

Israel on Campus Coalition (ICC) is a national network of students, faculty members, and professionals, whose goal is to strengthen the pro-Israel movement on campuses across the US. The research department of the ICC addressed SNI and requested a review of the development of the academic relations between Israel and the United States over the past decade.



### [Energy Forum 37: Energy security in Israel](#)

Prof. Gershon Grossman, Yigal Evron

In Israel, as in many western countries, there is an understanding that national security largely depends on the proper functioning of the national infrastructure, including a stable supply of various forms of energy. Among those the electric power supply is particularly sensitive, for an event of non-supply due to malfunction, sabotage...

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