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	EXPO TEL AVIV #1 // HALL A	EXPO TEL AVIV #2 HALL B
THE OFFI	TIVLE B	
9:00-9:05	Welcome: Amir Rapaport, Founder, Cybertech Greetings: Dr. Yossi Vardi, Chairman, SPARKS Innovation Summit	
9:05-9:15	CHEAPER, FASTER AI - WITHOUT THE GIGAWATTS! David Tennenhouse, Strategic Advisor and Investor, Former VP at Intel, Microsoft, VMware, Canada	
9:15-9:30	ACADEMIC FREEDOM UNDER SIEGE ON BOTH SIDES OF THE ATLANTIC Prof. David Harel, President of the Israel Academy of Sciences and Humanities	
9:30 - 9:40	CAN YOU TRUST YOUR CHATBOT? Moshe Karako, CTO, NTT Innovation Lab, Israel	
9:40 - 9:50	André Loesekrug-Pietri, Chairman and Scientific Director of the Joint European Disruptive Initiative (JEDI), the European ARPA, France	
9:50 - 10:00	CURRENT TRENDS IN NORTH KOREAN CYBER THREATS Daniel Kim, Analyst, National Cyber Security Center (NCSC), Republic of Korea	
10:00 - 10:35	BEYOND RESILIENCE: THE EXTRAORDINARY GROWTH OF ISRAELI CYBER IN TIMES OF CRISIS Moderator: Yoav Leitersdorf, Managing Partner, YL Ventures, USA Karl Mattson, CISO, Endor Labs, USA Barak Schoster, Partner, Battery Ventures, Israel Moni Givol, CISO, Unity, Israel Sapir Harosh, Partner, Third Point Ventures, Israel	
10:35 - 11:05	AN OUTLOOK ON GLOBAL VENTURE CAPITAL Moderator: Dr. David Zvilichovsky, Head of the MBA program in Entrepreneurship and Innovation, Tel Aviv University Isabelle Amiel, President, Sienna Venture Capital, France Georges Hazan, Managing Partner, Brothers & Partners, Canada Ravit Warsha Dor, Partner & Director, TELUS Global Ventures	CYBERTECH sessions
11:05 - 11:55	INNOVATE & ELEVATE: THE ROLE OF AI IN TRANSFORMING CYBERSECURITY Moderator: Carolin Desirée Toepfer, CISO, Austria Bob Flores, Former CTO, Central Intelligence Agency (CIA), USA Gundars Berzins, Rector, University of Latvia, Latvia Ira Winkler, Former Chief Security Architect, Walmart, USA Chien-Wei (CW) Chia, Ph.D., Chief of Staff, CyberSG Research & Development Programme Office, Singapore Dr. Emir Kremic PhD, General Director, Federal Institute of Statistics, Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina Oren Butchmits, CTO, Technology Unit, Israeli National Cyber Directorate (INCD), Israel Eddy Thesee, Vice President, Digital & Cyber Platform, Alstom, France	
11:55 - 12:05	AI - THE FUTURE AHEAD: DEEPSEEK, AI AGENTS AND RISKS Dan Karpati, VP of AI, Check Point, Israel	
12:05 - 12:15	EXPLOITING TRUST: A CASE STUDY ON SOCIAL ENGINEERING Refael Franco, Co-Founder and CEO, CodeBlue, Israel	
12:15 - 12:25	ONE-ON-ONE: AI AS YOUR IP FRIEND, AND ENEMY Dr. Kfir Luzzatto, President and Patent Attorney, The Luzzatto Group, Israel with Zori Kor, VP, ASERO Worldwide, Israel	
12:25 - 13:05	SOFTWARE SUPPLY CHAIN SECURITY Moderator: Zori Kor, VP, ASERO Worldwide, Israel Amit Reizes, Director of IT Security, Governance, Risk & Compliance, Johnson Controls Federal Systems, USA Prof. Yoram G. Weiss, Director-General, Hadassah Medical Organization, Israel Leandro Ferreira, CISO, The Superior Court of Justice, Brazil Yosi Shavit, Head of ICS Cyber Security Dept., Ministry of Environmental Protection, Israel Shani Bar Niv, Head of Regulation and Supply Chain Risk Management, Israeli National Cyber Directorate (INCD), Israel	
13:05-14:00	LUNCH BREAK AND EXHIBITION	

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14:00-14:45	THE AI SHIFT: RESHAPING INDUSTRIES Moderator: Jennifer Schenker, Editor, The Innovator Dr. Shlomit Wagman, CCO, Rapyd; Senior Fellow, Harvard University, United States Danny Wiener, Cloud Solution Director Oracle, Israel Gil Golan, CEO & co-Founder, ARDaneel (stealth), United States Dr. Nisim Perets, Co-Founder and CEO, Itay & Beyond
14:45 - 15:05	USER EXPERIENCE AT THE ISRAELI OPERA Zach Granit, Artistic Director, The Israeli Opera
15:05-15:25	SMALL STEPS, BIG IMPACT: THE PALESTINIAN INTERNSHIP PROGRAM (PIP) Yadin Kaufmann, Founder & Chairman, Palestinian Internship Program, Inc. Naama Halperin, Co-Founder & COO, Beteende Hassan Abu Dalo, Account Manager, Gamelight.io
15:25-16:05	
15:40-16:00	
16:25-17:00	TBD

CYBERTECH sessions

Wednesday - March 26, 2025 COMMUNITY MEETUPS

16 different urban meetups all around Tel Aviv

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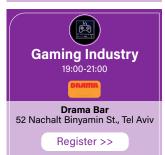




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HALL 1 - ROVINA	HALL 2 - MESKIN	HALL 3 - RAPAPORT
9:00 - 9:15 OPENING & WELCOME! PLENARY		
9:15 - 9:35 AI, REVOLUTION, AND HUMANITY David Sable, Vice-Chairman, Stagwell Global	9:15 - 10:00 ISRAEL'S ROLE IN THE FUTURE OF GLOBAL ADVANCED CHIP DESIGN FOR AI & GENERATIVE AI Moderator: Dr. Amiram (Ami) Appelbaum Chairman, Ofir Southup Ventures. Former Chief Scientist, Israel Ministry of Innovation. Dr. Giora Yaron, Founding Investor in multiple companies and a pioneer in the semiconductor industry Dr. Ziyad Hanna, Corporate Vice President of Cadence Design Systems, and the R&D General Manager, Cadence Israel Gal Sitton, Sr. Director, Systems Design Engineering, Broadcom	9:00 - 10:00 INVITATION-ONLY EVENT WEF Community Gathering
9:40 - 10:00 FIRESIDE CHAT Amir Rapaport, Co-founder, Tel Aviv Sparks Innovation Summit with Arkady Volozh, Founder and CEO, Nebius	10:00 - 10:45 THE FUTURE OF ROBOTICS: EMERGENT BEHAVIOR AND ADVANCED LEARNING Moderator: TBD Prof. Alon Wolf, Head of Biorobotics and Biomechanics Lab, Technion Prof. Amir Shapiro, Department of Mechanical Engineering, Ben Gurion University Guy Altagar, CEO, Unlimited Robotics	10:00 - 11:00 GEN-AI WORKSHOPS Dror Gil, Founder & CEO, Gamdala GEN-AI WORKSHOP 1: MASTERING CHATGPT TOOLS Get ready to unlock the full potential of ChatGPT! In this practical workshop. you'll learn how to leverage ChatGPT's advanced capabilities to analyze data and Excel files, build customized GPTs tailored to your specific use cases, and collaborate with AI using the Canvas interface.
10:00 - 10:30 THE ISRAELI HIGH-TECH ROLLER COASTER FIRESIDE CHAT Dr. Yossi Vardi, Chairman, SPARKS Innovation Summit with Dror Bin, CEO, Israel Innovation Authority		
10:30 - 10:45 TECH MEETS SECURITY: THE FUTURE OF CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE Gil Groskop, VP for technology, Mekorot		
THE FUTURE OF INNOVATION IN EUROPE Moderator: Jennifer Schenker, Editor, The Innovator Mirek Dušek, Managing Director, World Economic Forum, Switzerland Steffi Czerny, Managing Director, DLD Media GmbH, Germany André Loesekrug-Pietri, Chairman & Scientific Director, Joint European Disruptive Initiative (JEDI), the European ARPA, France Eric Salama, Board Advisor, Local Globe, UK Theodoros Loukaidis, Director General, Cyprus Research & Innovation Foundation (RIF), Cyprus Maurizio Rossi, Co-Founder, Innovation Way & (Former H-FARM), Italy	TAKING THE WESTERN NEGEV TO NEW HEIGHTS Moderator: Noam Bardin, Entrepreneur and Former CEO of Waze Ohad Cohen, Founder and CEO, Atid LaOtef (Future for the OTEF) Dr. Hadas Shabtay, Head of Energy, Industry & Trade Sectors, Tkuma Directorate Arnon Columbus, CEO, InNegev Itai Horstock, Managing Partner, Ofir-SouthUp Ventures Amit Kochavi, Entrepreneur, Senior Advisor to the Mayor of Sderot	

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MAIN OBSERVATIONS FROM THE DAVOS ANNUAL MEETING

Dr. Yossi Vardi, Chairman, SPARKS Innovation Summit with

Mirek Dušek, Managing Director, World Economic Forum, Switzerland

12:00 - 12:15

TBD

12:15 - 13:00

GET FUNDED BY HORIZON EUROPE - THE WORLD'S LARGEST R&D PROGRAM IS LOOKING FOR YOU! (Israel Innovation Authority)

Opening Remarks

Dr. Alon Stopel, Chief Scientist of Innovation, Chairman of the Israel Innovation Authority, and Chairman of the ISERD's Steering Committee.

Discussion

Moderator: Shlomi Kofman, VP and Head of the International Division, IIA

Lilach Butchmits, Product Director, at Zutacore
Tsvi Shmilovich, Co-Founder and CEO Ezmens
Miriam Shtilman-Lavsovski. Partner. Tal Ventures

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Amalia Herszkowicz, COO at Hadassah Cancer

Research Institute

Elad Mentovich, Sr Principal Engineer, Nvidia

11:30 - 12:15

FROM STARTUP TO SCALE-UP: NAVIGATING GLOBAL MARKETS IN HEALTHCARE INNOVATION

Moderators: Zeev Lavie, VP Global Alliance, Tel Aviv Sourasky Medical Center, Ichilov

Yair Albin, Designated Head of Economic and Trade Mission to the Southwest U.S

Eve Ermishin, Director, Asia Pacific Department, Foreign Trade Administration

Sharon Gour Arie, VP of Value Creation, AION Labs

Yariv Becher, VP Business Development and Partnerships, SNC

12:15 - 13:00

DECENTRALIZED INTELLIGENCE: WHAT WE CAN LEARN FROM BEES, ANTS, AND ROCK HYRAXES

*This session will be conducted in Hebrew

Moderator: Yaron London, Israeli journalist and media personality

Prof. Yossi Leshem, Professor, SPNI. Tel Aviv University

Prof. Sharoni Shafir, Faculty of Agriculture, Food and Environment Honey bee biology, Hebrew University

Prof. Ofer Feinerman, Department of Physics of Complex Systems, Weizmann Institute of Science

Prof. Amiyaal Ilany, Associate Professor / Head of Social Behavior Lab, Tel Aviv University 11:00 - 12:00

PITCH A STARTUP

(Open stage for startups to present their ideas)

12:00 - 13:00

MEET STARTUPS FROM THE WEST NEGEV

Gathering and showcase of 10 startups from the Western Negev by SouthUp Technology Incubator

13:00-14:00 - Break

14:00 - 14:45

IDF'S ELITE TECH UNIT'S IMPACT ON ECOSYSTEM DEVELOPMENT

Chen Kamin, CEO, AMIT - 81 Unit Alumni Association, Israel

Javier Shocron, Chairman, AMIT - 81 Unit Alumni Association, Israel

Nir Peleg, VP @ Scribe Security, Former Head of R&D, Israeli National Cyber Directorate, Chairman, AMIT - 81 Unit Alumni Association Israel

Yael Yeger, Deeptech Expert. Board member AMIT - 81 Unit Alumni Association, Israel

Dr. Adi Naor Pomerantz, Co-Founder & CTO, FireDome, Israel

Matan Hershko, Co Founder & CEO, Cellint Bio

14:45 - 15:30

THE MAKER'S MINDSET: HOW TO STAY A CHILD AT 90 AND BEYOND

A tribute to:

Didi Vardi, Co-Founder, Ron Vardi Center

Zvika Netter, Co-Founder and CEO, Innovid

Liat Segal, Contemporary media artist

Nimo Rotem, Industrialist

15:30 - 16:15

IP, AI AND WORDS WITH NO I: CURRENT TRENDS IN THE GAMING INDUSTRY

Moderator: Nir Miretzky, Director of Innovation, CrazyLabs

Orly Shoavi, Co-Founder and CEO, ClarityQ Lior Albeck, Co-Founder and CEO, Weavy Sharon Sheen, Game Designer, ArtWreck Israel Nimrod Dweck, Marketing Manager, Uglabs Omri Rosen, Head of Candiventures, Candivore 14:00 - 14:45

TECH FOR ALL: DEVELOPING A DIVERSE WORKFORCE

Moderator: Momo Mahadav, CEO, Maala

Einat Mesterman, Project Manager Employment at East Jerusalem, Municipality of Jerusalem

Esti Salomon, Founder and CEO, ATIDA

Fahima Atawna, VP Community Outreach and Resource Development, Synergy7 Solomon Geveye, Co-Founder & Program Director, Haile Scale

14:45 - 15:05

THE EDGE YOU NEED: TOP-TIER TALENT FOR GAME-CHANGING COMPANIES

Basha'er Fahoum Jayoussi, Israel Program Director, The Neubauer Family Foundation

Shahd Qassem, PhD student, Tel Aviv University Maram Ganaiem, PhD student, Tel Aviv University

15:05 - 15:50

SHAPING TOMORROW'S INNOVATORS

Moderator: Nitzan Cohen Arazi, Investment and management advisor, Co Founder of Jolt

Karen Tal, CEO, Amal Network

Maya Halevy, Museum Advisor, Israel Ministry of Culture

Rabea Zioud, Co-Founder & CEO, Hasoub

INVITATION-ONLY EVENT BTI MEETING

DEFENSE TECH 14:00-17:00

14:00 - Opening Remarks

14:15 - The Battlefield of the Future

How is Modern Warfare Evolving? What challenges do these transformations bring? And how can we prepare for them? Amir Rapaport, Founder & CEO, Cybertech, Israel

14:30 - Defense Innovation Panel

Exploring the latest technological advancements across various domains—underground, on land, at sea, and in the air—and how they can be integrated to strengthen a multi-domain force.

Gabriel Shachor, CEO, Cassiopea Aero-Tech, Israel

Ayal Somech, Head of Growth and Innovation, Boeing, Israel

Chen Almog, CEO, MicroCon Vision, Israel

14:55 - Advanced Camera System for Armored Vehicles
Presentation by Mer Company on innovation during war
Itzhak Schwartz, CEO, TechMer, Israel

15:05 - The Dual-Use Challenge

Examining the latest technological advancements underground, on land, at sea,

and in the air – and how they can be integrated to create a stronger, multi-domain force.

Ilan Regenbaum, Israel Director, Mind the Bridge, Israel Elinor Yakobson, Defense & Cyber Cluster Manager, The National Program of Economic Growth, Israel Alaa Abu-Rukun, Aerospace & Defense sector, Deloitte Israel

15:35 - Defense Investment Panel

Ili Cohen, General Partner, Magma VC & Managing Director, Synergy Capital, Israel Yaniv Shnieder, CEO, Elron Ventures, Israel

16:05 - On-Stage Mentoring: Startups in the Spotlight Startups will present their innovations and receive direct feedback from a panel of industry experts.

Participants: List of selected startups, israel
Two or three representatives from companies investing
in startups, Israel

16:30 -The Top 10 Defense Startups

A showcase of the top ten most promising defense startups, each presenting its innovation before receiving an award.

Collaboration: This session is coordinated in partnership with Robel Innovation.

Participants: List of selected startups, Israel

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DEMOCRACY IN THE AGE OF SOCIAL MEDIA

Prof. Hanan Melcer, Former Deputy President of the Supreme Court of Israel

15:50 - 16:15

FUTURE ENGINEERS:

Hamza Masarwa & The Al Tur, Daburiyya Elementary School Robotics Team

16:15 - 17:00

IGNITE TALKS
Open stage for sharing ideas in short 5 min talks

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The Top 10 Defense Startups

A special showcase featuring the top ten most promising defense startups.

Each startup will take the stage, be introduced, and then receive their award

* The tentative agenda is subject to change.

ISRAEL INNOVATION AUTHORITY

"Speed Dating" event
Fast-paced meetings with the Innovation Authority experts

27.3.2025 | 10:00 - 16:00 | Habima Theater - Rovina Gallery