



Dear Colleagues,

It is our pleasure to invite you to the Annual Meeting of the **Israel Neurosurgical Society** which will be held at the **Galilion Hotel, Israel**.

Although the main focus of the meeting will be **Brain Tumors**, the organizers will be happy to consider interesting talks on related subjects.

Confirmed speakers to date that will share their experiences and update us in the latest developments include:

Prof. Hugues Duffau

Chairman of the Neurosurgery Department, Montpellier University Medical Center, France

Dr. Paul Gardner

UPMC Center for Cranial Base Surgery, Departments of Otolaryngology and Neurological Surgery, The Eye & Ear Institute, Pittsburgh, USA

Prof. Guilherme Carvalhal Ribas

Dept. of Surgery, University of Sao Paulo Medical School; Neurosurgeon at Hospital Israelita Albert Einstein, Sao Paulo, Brazil

Prof. Andreas von Deimling

Department of Neuropathology, Institute for Pathology, University of Heidelberg, Germany

Final confirmation of additional prominent speakers pending, details to follow.

As in previous meetings, we hope that this event will provide the opportunity to reconnect and meet with colleagues and to strengthen professional and personal ties among our members.

We hope that you will be able to join us.

Sincerely,

Yigal Shoshann
President

Mony Benifla
Secretary

Racheli Grossman
Treasurer

TENTATIVE TIMETABLE

Wednesday, May 15, 2019

Light Lunch

Afternoon Sessions

Dinner

Evening Social Event

Thursday, May 16, 2019

Morning Sessions

Lunch

Afternoon Sessions

Dinner

Evening Social Event

Friday, May 17, 2019

Morning Sessions

Afternoon Sessions End and Light Lunch



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CALL FOR PAPERS

Abstract submission deadline is: January 31, 2019

The organizers are pleased to announce a call for abstracts for oral presentation, E-Posters, Flash Oral Presentation (3 minutes).

For abstract submission click [here](#)

Please note that the research awards are open to Israeli residents.

All submitted abstracts will be reviewed for acceptance based on their scientific merit. Inclusion of abstracts in the scientific program is dependent on payment of registration fees. Notice regarding registration will be sent in due course.

ABSTRACT SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

1. Abstracts must be submitted using the online submission link. Please do not fax, mail or email your abstracts.
2. All abstracts must be submitted in English.
3. The names and affiliations of all authors should be included in the abstract.
4. Abstracts should be no longer than 350 words not including the title, author names and affiliations.
5. Title should be no longer than 25 words, and written with capital letters at the beginning of each word. (For example: Israeli Neurosurgical Society)



GENERAL INFORMATION

VENUE

Galilion Hotel, Israel

The Galilion Hotel is located in northern Israel, in the upper Galilee, between the towns of Kiryat Shmona and Rosh Pina, at the entrance to the Hula Nature Reserve.

The Galilion is a new, high standard hotel with a beautiful, modern conference center, updated spa, and an outdoor pool with a breathtaking view. A shopping center is planned to open adjacent to the hotel that will include a farmers market and assorted stores.

For a video clip of the hotel and surrounding area please go to the following:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=c9rfCN_RP2Q

LANGUAGE

The meeting will be conducted in English.

SPA/HEALTH CLUB FACILITIES

Hours: 09:00 to 18:00.

Entrance fee for hotel guests is NIS50 (about US\$14), ages 18 and up.

The Hotel's Spa offers a wet and dry sauna, Turkish bath, and a large variety of treatments at supplementary cost; massages, reflexology, aromatherapy, and energy and beauty treatments. Treatments must be reserved in advance, by calling +972 4 6978013. Payment is directly to the hotel.

Meeting participants will receive a 10% discount on treatments.

FITNESS ROOM

Fitness room is open 24/7 and entry is free of charge.

OUTDOOR SWIMMING POOL

Hours: 08:00-18:00.

INTERNET SERVICES

Standard wireless internet service is free for all hotel guests .

SOCIAL EVENTS

Will be announced closer to the meeting

MEALS

Meals will be served in the hotel restaurant, according to the meeting program. A light lunch will be served in the exhibition area on Friday.

Breakfast: 07:00 - 10:00

Lunch: As per program

Dinner: 19:00 - 20:30

EXHIBITION

A commercial exhibition will take place within the framework of the meeting.

REGISTRATION FEES

	Until 1/4/2019	From 2/4/2019
Participant	US\$ 450	US\$ 500

Fee for participants includes: Participation in scientific sessions, program book, refreshments at breaks, light lunch on Wednesday and Friday and lunch on Thursday.

Please click [here](#) to register.

CANCELLATION POLICY

Our refund policy is based upon receiving notification as follows:

- Received until April 01, 2019 - full refund less US\$75 handling fee
- Received after April 02, 2019 - no refund

ACCOMMODATION

Target Conferences is holding rooms at the **Galilion Hotel**, the official meeting hotel. Rooms are guaranteed until **March 14, 2019**. Rooms booked later will be as per availability.

Galilion Hotel	Night of Wednesday, May 15	Night of Thursday, May 16
Single Room	US\$270	US\$310
Double Room	US\$300	US\$345

Rates are per room, per night, and include dinner and a full Israeli buffet style breakfast.

Should you require additional accommodation prior to or following the meeting and/or touring, please write to: neurosurgery.reg@target-conferences.com

Please click [here](#) to book accommodation.

CHECKING IN/OUT

Check-In Time: 15:00

Check-Out Time: 11:00

PAYMENT

Full payment is due at time of reservation .

Bank Transfers should be made to the following account:

Target Conferences Ltd.

Bank Leumi

Ahad Ha'am Branch number 811

31 Montefiore St.

Tel Aviv

Account name: Target Conferences Ltd.

Swift: Lumiilit

account number: 604800/99

IBAN: IL240108110000060480099

*Please ensure that the name/s of the participants and meeting name (NEUROSURGERY) are clearly stated on the bank transfer.

Bank transfer charges are the responsibility of the payer and should be paid at source in addition to the registration package fees.

CANCELLATION OF ACCOMMODATION

Until March 26, 2019

- full refund less handling fee of US\$50 per room

Between March 27 and April 14 , 2019

- no refund for first night

After April 15, 2019

- no refund on accommodation

OF SPECIAL INTEREST TO FOREIGN ATTENDEES

LETTER OF INVITATION

Upon request, the Secretariat will send a personal letter of invitation to the applicant to participate in the meeting. It should be understood that such an invitation is only meant to assist participants in raising travel funds or in obtaining a visa, and does not represent a commitment on the part of the organizers to provide any financial support.

VISAS

Prior to booking your flight ticket, please ensure that your passport is valid until 17 November 2019. Participants from some countries require a visa to enter Israel. We suggest that you check this with your travel agent or on the website of the [Israeli Ministry of Foreign Affairs](#).

CLIMATE

The weather in Upper Galilee in May is warm during the day with average highs of 27°C during the day with average evening lows of 15°C. We suggest you bring a light jacket for the evenings and comfortable walking shoes, a hat and sunblock for touring. Please also remember to bring swim wear for the spa facilities.

CURRENCY

We suggest that you exchange a small amount of money to New Israeli Shekels on arrival at Ben Gurion Airport. Optional additional arrangements such as touring and accommodations made whilst in Israel can be paid for in foreign currency or foreign credit card in order to avoid the local 17% VAT.

IMPORTANT NOTES

Personal travel, luggage and health insurance are recommended. Please purchase this from your local travel agent. All tours are booked on the express condition that Target Conferences shall not be responsible for and shall be exempt from all liability in respect of any loss, damage, injury or accident to any person or his or her luggage or any other property, for any reason whatsoever.

TRAVEL AND TRANSPORTATION

ARRIVAL INFORMATION

Flights

Participants should book their flights to Ben Gurion International Airport (near Tel Aviv) with their travel agent, or directly on the internet. Direct flights to Tel Aviv exist from most major airports in North America, Europe, India, China, Thailand, Brazil and Africa by El Al Israel Airlines, as well as by other international carriers.



By taxi

Taxis are available outside of the Arrivals Hall (Level G) of Ben Gurion Airport at a cost of approximately 900 Shekels (US\$ 260) and the average trip is about 2 ½ - 3 hours.

Please enquire at the airport information desk for assistance if needed.