

Second Announcement and Call for Papers



INNOSTORAGE Conference

February 16-18, 2016

 **Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, Beer-Sheva, Israel**

INNOSTORAGE (<http://www.innostorage.eu/index.php>) is an FP7 European project driven by the need to develop efficient thermal energy storage (TES) systems using phase change materials (PCM).



INNOSTORAGE partners (<http://www.innostorage.eu/participants.php>) include leading researchers in the field from Spain, France, Israel, United States, Australia and New Zealand.

INNOSTORAGE research scheme considers the expertise and capabilities of each partner and also the possibility of creating new synergies among them.

INNOSTORAGE exchanges involve a transfer of knowledge at different levels and training opportunities for early stage researchers.

INNOSTORAGE Conference is an open event, which aims to bring together leading experts in the field from around the world, disseminate knowledge gained within the INNOSTORAGE project and create new opportunities for international scientific cooperation in the field of thermal energy storage.

Detailed information about the Conference venue and organization appears below

Venue

Ben-Gurion University of the Negev (BGU), Marcus Family Campus,

Beer-Sheva, Israel

(Building 98)



Beer-Sheva

Beer-Sheva (<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Beersheba>) is a dynamic modern city with the history of about 4000 years (<http://www.abraham.org.il/index.php?lang=en>). Recently, Beer-Sheva has been chosen as one of the “seven locations worldwide as emerging, up-and-coming hubs that technology and life sciences companies should consider as they evaluate their global location strategy” (<https://www.brandeis.edu/global/news/2015/t3-brandeis-study.html>, <http://www.haaretz.com/business/.premium-1.653014>).

Beer-Sheva is connected by a highway to Tel-Aviv (about 100 km) and to Jerusalem (about 110 km). There are two trains per hour from Tel-Aviv (1¼ hour ride, about 8 euros one way).



Ben-Gurion University of the Negev



Ben-Gurion University of the Negev (<http://in.bgu.ac.il/en/Pages/default.aspx>) aspires to be among the best inter-disciplinary research universities in the world, a leader in scientific innovation, inter-disciplinary research and applied sciences – all of which impact daily life. It is committed to social and environmental responsibility and is working to develop the Negev, Israel and the world.

The University attracts excellent students and researchers from Israel and abroad, original thinkers with a developed social conscience, who integrate into the country's leadership in a variety of ways.



A 3D virtual tour of the University is available at:
<http://vt.panovision.co.il/bgu/welcome.html>

Photo albums of the University are available at:
http://in.bgu.ac.il/en/Pages/Photo_Albums.aspx

You can reach Ben-Gurion University of the Negev by car or public transportation

- **Car** - take highway 4 south from Tel-Aviv, switch to highway 41 East in Ashdod and then follow highway 40 South to Beer-Sheva.
- **Israel Railways** schedule and fares (in [English](#) and [Hebrew](#)) information at 03-5774000 or 04-8564444. Get off at Beer Sheva north station. Take the Mexico pedestrian bridge to the campus.
- **Egged Bus Service** schedule and fares (in [English](#) and [Hebrew](#)) information at 03-6948888. Get off at Reger Road and Ben-Gurion Boulevard intersection (bottom left corner of map above).
- **Metropoline Bus Service** schedule and fares (in [Hebrew only](#)) information at *5900 e-mail: info@metropoline.com. Get off at Reger Road and Ben-Gurion Boulevard intersection (bottom left corner of map above).

Practical information, format, deadlines and fees

Accommodation

The participants can contact the Leonardo Hotel in Beer-Sheva (<http://www.leonardo-hotels.com/israel-hotels/beer-sheva-hotels/leonardo-hotel-negev>). It is available in all major internet booking sites.

Alternatively, inexpensive accommodation options (generally below 100 euros per night including breakfast) will be available for the interested participants via the conference organizers. A special form is posted on the INNOSTORAGE website for this purpose.

All the accommodations are in the city, close to the campus or city center.

Letters of invitation

Please, contact the conference organizers if you need an official invitation.

Registration fee

Early bird (before November 10, 2015): regular 400 USD, students 200 USD.

Late (after November 10, 2015 and on site): regular 450 USD, students 250 USD.

Payment will be possible using a credit card (early, late and on site) and cash (on site).

A special payment form is posted on the INNOSTORAGE website.

Contribution format

The prospective participants are asked to submit a four-page extended abstract by October 1, 2015. A template and instructions appear on the INNOSTORAGE website. No full papers will be required.

The authors will be notified about the acceptance by October 20, 2015.

An electronic collection of all accepted contributions will be distributed at the conference.

Presentation format

Both oral and posters presentation will take place. The organizers will assign each contribution to an oral or poster session taking in account their evaluation and authors' preferences where possible.

Special events

Conference gala dinner is planned on February 17. We also plan to have a dinner for all participants on February 16 (the first day of the Conference). Both events are included in the participation fee.

Food

Lunches will be served at the Conference site. Coffee breaks are planned. Some accommodations have breakfasts. Various food-serving facilities are found on campus. Beer-Sheva has a large variety of easily accessible dining options, located mostly within large shopping areas and malls.

Important:

Please, send all documentation, including abstracts, payment forms, accommodation requests, exclusively to the following e-mail-address:

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