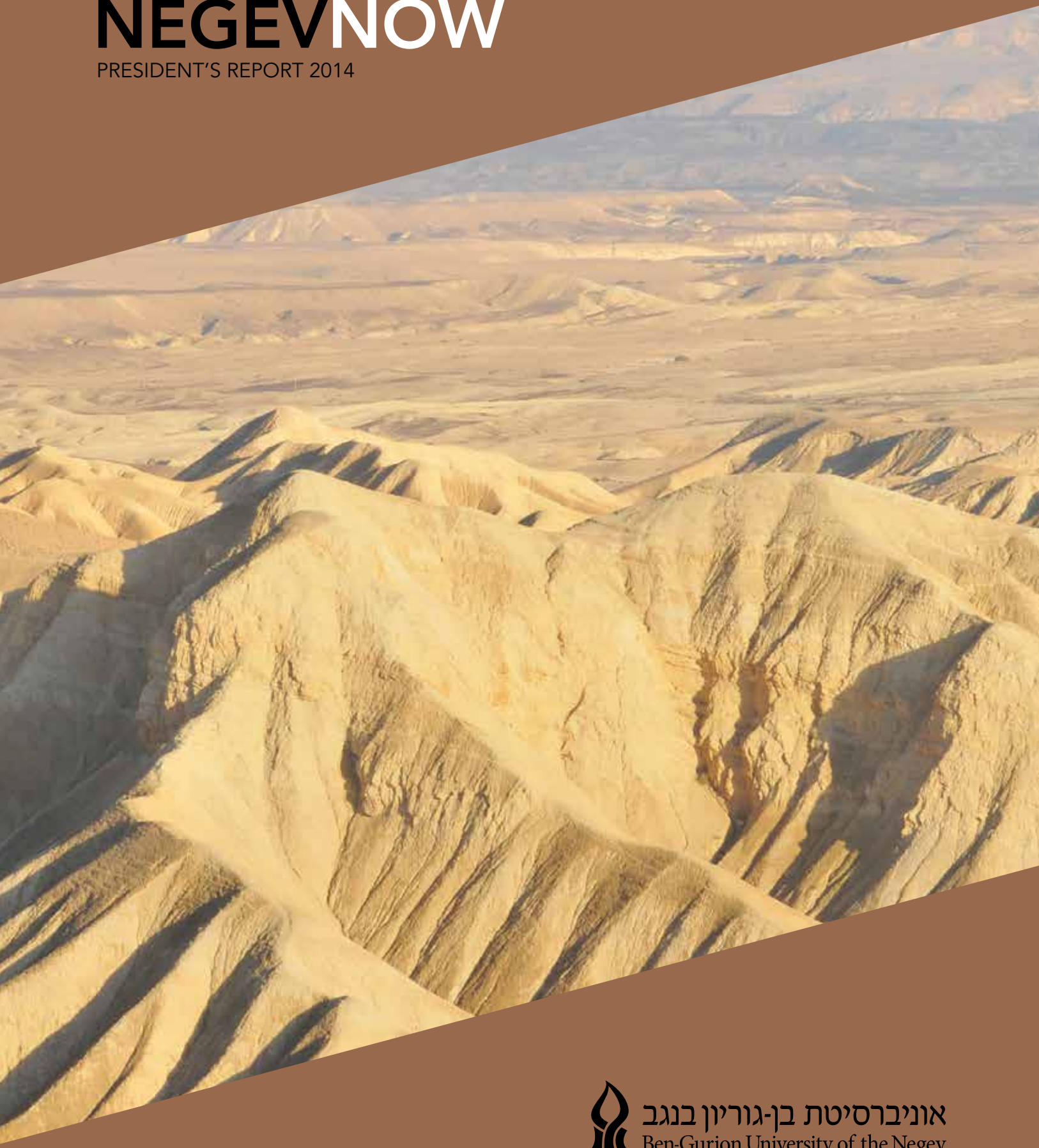


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PRESIDENT'S REPORT 2014



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BGU BELIEVES THAT DEVELOPING THE NEGEV WILL DO MORE THAN JUST BENEFIT THE REGION. IT WILL STRENGTHEN ISRAEL AS A WHOLE AND BE A "LIGHT UNTO THE NATIONS."

RANKED AS ONE OF THE WORLD'S TOP UNIVERSITIES UNDER 50 YEARS OLD, BGU ASPIRES TO BE A LEADING RESEARCH INSTITUTION THAT IMPACTS PEOPLE'S LIVES – THROUGH ACCESSIBLE EDUCATION, GROUND-BREAKING RESEARCH AND AN EMPHASIS ON SOCIAL JUSTICE.

IN 2013, THE UNIVERSITY DOUBLED ITS PHYSICAL SIZE WITH THE ADDITION OF THE NEW NORTH CAMPUS. WITH THE OPENING OF THE ADVANCED TECHNOLOGIES PARK AND THE MOVE OF THE ISRAEL DEFENSE FORCES TO THE SOUTH, INTERNATIONAL COMPANIES AND GOVERNMENT AGENCIES ARE LEVERAGING THE PROXIMITY TO BGU TO OPEN RESEARCH FACILITIES IN THE REGION.

BGU IS REALIZING ITS MISSION, IMPROVING PEOPLE'S LIVES IN ISRAEL AND AROUND THE WORLD.

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ILLUSTRATION OF THE FUTURE NORTH CAMPUS

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BGU ALUMNI CARE.
THEY GET INVOLVED.
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THEY WORK TO IMPROVE THEIR WORLD.

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ILLUSTRATION OF FUTURE CONFERENCE
CENTER ON THE NORTH CAMPUS

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FROM THE CHAIRMAN

I have been involved with Ben-Gurion University of the Negev for over forty years, and I have had the great privilege of watching it shape into the great and inspiring institution it is today.

Excellence, inspiration, innovation and creativity are the theme of this year's meeting of the Board of Governors and all are to be found in abundance here. BGU leads the Negev region and is a beacon to the nation in initiatives for sharing knowledge to combat desertification and manage water resources, in building bridges between academia and industry and reducing inequality through community action.

In November 1968 David Ben-Gurion wrote in a letter to friends overseas about the "unique scientific and educational enterprise in the wilderness," and went on to say that "apart from the serious problems of security, peace and aliyah with which I am deeply preoccupied, the development of both the Negev and Sede Boqer have for the last several years been the greatest hope in my life and my most intimate and deepest concern." I believe that all of us who are involved today with BGU share that sentiment.

The realization of all of the achievements to date have demanded substantial investment in buildings, infrastructure, maintenance, scientific equipment and research funds, all of which could not have been made possible without the care, concern and support of our worldwide family.

Last year President Carmi wrote that 2012 had been a "building year" with cranes crisscrossing the campus. This effort has continued throughout 2013. I do hope that during these few days of the Board of Governors meeting, you will find time to walk around and take in all the extraordinary new developments.


The media has made much of Beer-Sheva emerging as the National Cyber Capital, and if you look just across the Mexico Bridge you can see the impressive Advanced Technologies Park housing the Deutsche Telekom Innovation Laboratories, among others. On this side of the bridge you can visit the new Student Support Center for students with special needs and the Ruth and Heinz-Horst Deichmann Classroom and Computer Lab Building, which provides much needed resources for current and future students.

The success and achievements of BGU belong to all those who choose to give of themselves and contribute to a great cause and this year we applaud a group of

outstanding supporters with the establishment of a new giving society – The President's Pillars. At the same time we continue to develop our Board of Governors membership, welcoming caring, dynamic individuals who are ready to contribute in many different ways to the future success of BGU.

Prof. Rivka Carmi is a kindred spirit to our founders in her ambitions and vision for BGU. I am delighted to be by her side as she begins her third term of office with undiminished enthusiasm for what the future may hold.

However, responsibility for BGU's future is not hers alone. Our efforts must continue, new dreams must flourish, and all members of the Board of Governors need to be active supporters of this outstanding University. Together, and only together, can we fulfill our mission to educate the future decision makers, managers, thinkers, scholars and leaders of Israel.



Alexander M. Goren

FROM THE PRESIDENT

Over the past year I have had to decide whether to pursue a third term. I could not escape the feeling that leaving now would be premature as so many of the projects I have undertaken are only now realizing their full potential. There is a feeling of momentum – of the Negev at the forefront of Israel's development – that is due in no small degree to BGU's leadership role in the region.

It is with a genuine sense of responsibility that I embark on my third term, more convinced than ever that a first-class university that is a world leader in research has a role to play in strengthening Israel.

The catch phrase in academia today is "impact factor." Budgets and prestige are being judged by a mathematical formulation that determines the extent to which published research is being disseminated in the scientific community through academic journals. But this kind of dry evaluation misses the critical nature of an institution like Ben-Gurion University of the Negev – a university that goes one step further and judges itself on its impact on the community and, truth be told, on the world!

We hold ourselves to this higher standard while dedicating ourselves to our core values as a university – investing in advanced research and the highest level of teaching

possible. Our impact factor can be judged by the people who are being transformed by our actions, whether they are students who are acquiring life skills and a world class education; researchers who have the facilities and support to engage in cutting-edge research; or members of the local and world community who benefit from a myriad of University programs and accomplishments.

Educated in an environment that encourages critical thinking with a social conscience, we are proud of our alumni who are making a difference in the world and have highlighted a number of them in these pages.

This is the year of the Negev. BGU has played and continues to play a key role in bringing the Israel Defense Forces and international companies to the region. Building on our successful collaboration with Deutsche Telekom, we have recently expanded work with EMC-RSA and introduced new research programs with IBM and Lockheed Martin.

The physical signs of growth are everywhere, from the infrastructure work on the North Campus to the ongoing building of the impressive new Advanced Technologies Park. New buildings have been completed on the Marcus Family Campus and in Sede Boqer, while a number of new projects are now in the planning stages as we build for the future.

Key research collaborations with some of the world's most prestigious universities have been undertaken reflecting the quality and initiative of our exceptional researchers. As part of our long-term strategic plan, we are investing in our human capital – expanding programs to enrich faculty members, improve teaching skills and advance women in academic positions. Beit Fanny – the University's new daycare center – is now working at full capacity to enhance our ability to attract the very best academic and technical staff. We have expanded our efforts to attract international students for both short- and long-term programs and advanced degree programs, creating a truly global community.

This year's report details a number of these accomplishments, many of which would not be possible without the support of our friends. You are our partner in realizing our mission as a pro-active university with an impact factor that improves the lives of people in the region and around the world.

Thank you for your support and friendship.



Prof. Rivka Carmi

BGU BY THE NUMBERS

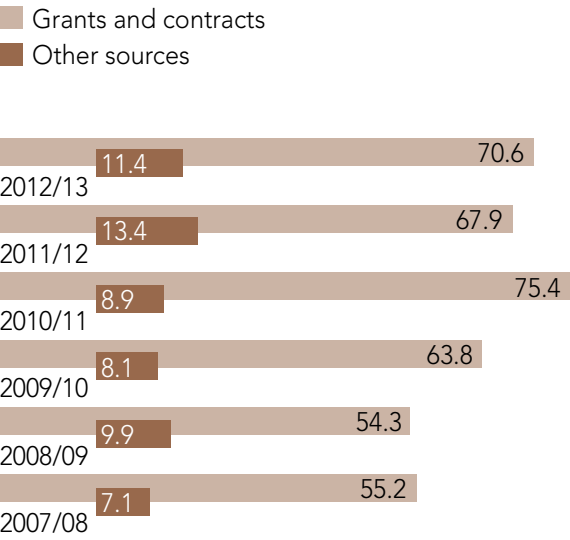
Ben-Gurion University of the Negev is in a continual state of growth, investing in the very best academic staff and research facilities to enhance the overall educational experience. With an emphasis on developing our core strengths, we have recruited many new outstanding scholars and scientists who have attracted significant funding from highly competitive funding sources. In the academic year 2012-2013, new research grants and contracts increased from \$67.9 million to \$70.6 million. This year’s total external research funding is \$82 million.

DISTRIBUTION OF STUDENTS BY FACULTY AND DEGREES 2012–2014

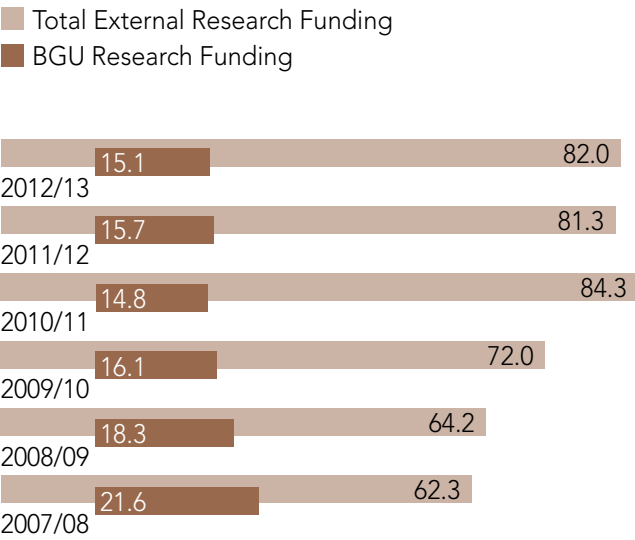
	Humanities and Social Sciences	Natural Sciences	Engineering Sciences	Health Sciences	Business and Management	Desert Studies	Ben-Gurion Institute
2013-14							
Bachelors	4,166	1,839	4,602	1,866	1,121		
Masters	1,386	241	860	618	1,224	97	27
Ph.D.	513	274	324	190	58	113	
No degree	209	20	194	19	36	3	3
Teaching Certificate	276						
Post-Doc	47	89	46	26	10	33	
Total	6,473	2,446	5,927	2,681	2,450	238	30
TOTAL 19,523							
2012-13							
Bachelors	4,260	1,781	4,941	1,855	1,130		
Masters	1,460	270	860	578	1,237	85	18
Ph.D.	470	271	321	201	46	113	
No degree	182	7	166	17	39	1	3
Teaching Certificate	230						
Post-Doc	43	59	32	20	3	18	
Total	6,517	2,377	6,204	2,644	2,455	217	21
TOTAL 19,863							

Please note, the student numbers have been reorganized and currently include all students studying at BGU in Beer-Sheva, Sede Boqer and Eilat in both degree and non-degree programs. Not all totals add up because there are students enrolled in multiple faculties or pursuing multiple degrees. The above figures refer to first semester only.

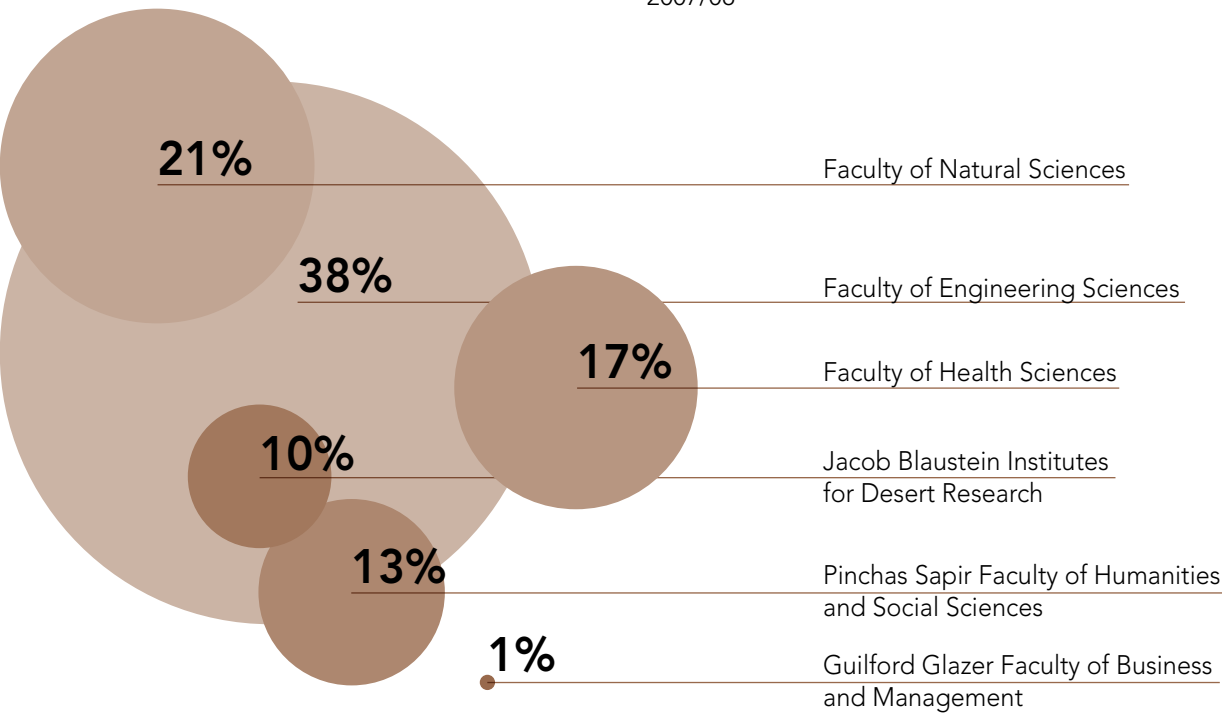
TOTAL EXTERNAL RESEARCH FUNDING (\$US M)



TOTAL INVESTMENT IN RESEARCH (\$US M)



PERCENTAGE OF GRANTS BY FACULTY 2012/13



BGU BY THE NUMBERS

BEN-GURION UNIVERSITY OF THE NEGEV OPERATING BUDGET

	2011/2012			2012/2013			2013/2014			
	NIS m	\$ m	%	NIS m	\$ m	%	NIS m	\$ m	%	change
INCOME										
Planning & Budgeting Committee	774.1	215.0	72.0%	827.6	206.9	72.4%	851.7	230.2	72.3%	2.9%
Tuition and Dorms	204.3	56.8	19.0%	198.8	49.7	17.4%	195.0	52.7	16.5%	-1.9%
Contributions	11.0	3.1	1.0%	12.2	3.1	1.1%	13.0	3.5	1.1%	6.3%
Endowment Funds	35.0	9.7	3.3%	39.0	9.8	3.4%	42.0	11.4	3.6%	7.7%
Other Income	47.2	13.1	4.4%	51.7	12.9	4.5%	62.1	16.8	5.3%	20.1%
Transfer from Funds	3.4	0.9	0.3%	13.7	3.4	1.2%	14.7	4.0	1.3%	7.7%
TOTAL	1075.0	298.6	100.0%	1,143.0	285.8	100.0%	1,178.5	318.5	100.0%	3.1%
EXPENDITURE										
Salaries	774.0	215.0	72.0%	833.0	208.3	72.9%	857.6	231.8	72.8%	3.0%
Fellowships & Student Assistance	62.5	17.4	5.8%	63.2	15.8	5.5%	68.1	18.4	5.8%	7.8%
Teaching & Research Expenses	44.3	12.3	4.1%	45.8	11.4	4.0%	43.4	11.7	3.7%	-5.1%
Institutes & Research Centers	35.5	9.9	3.3%	37.6	9.4	3.3%	45.9	12.4	3.9%	22.0%
Computer Expenses	10.6	2.9	1.0%	11.6	2.9	1.0%	11.3	3.1	1.0%	-1.9%
Library Expenses	23.3	6.5	2.2%	26.8	6.7	2.3%	25.8	7.0	2.2%	-3.8%
Administration	31.6	8.8	2.9%	30.4	7.6	2.7%	30.1	8.1	2.6%	-1.1%
Maintenance	84.0	23.3	7.8%	85.7	21.4	7.5%	87.6	23.7	7.4%	2.3%
Financing	9.2	2.6	0.9%	8.9	2.2	0.8%	8.6	2.3	0.7%	-3.8%
TOTAL	1075.0	298.6	100.0%	1,143.0	285.8	100.0%	1,178.5	318.5	100.0%	3.1%
NIS/\$ Exchange Rate	3.60			4.00			3.70			-7.5%
Higher Education Expenses Index	112.5			119.1			119.9			0.7%

2012/13 OVERALL UNIVERSITY BUDGET (NIS THOUSANDS IN CURRENT PRICES)

	Operating Budget	Research Budget	Development Budget	Special Programs	Total Budget
Expenditures	1,178,500	260,000	68,272	103,064	1,609,836
Income	1,178,500	260,000	68,272	116,204	1,622,976

The entrance hall of the first building of the Advanced Technologies Park



BGN TECHNOLOGIES

BGN Technologies is BGU's technology transfer company, engaged in the University's ties with the business world: research with industry, creating joint research centers, providing services and creating new start-up companies.

The major highlight of the year was the opening of the first building of the Advanced Technologies Park (ATP), which is now fully occupied. The second building is under construction. BGN worked extensively to develop the integrated ecosystem taking shape there.

A unique range of companies have taken up residence including start-ups, technology incubators and international companies such as EMC-RSA, Oracle, Deutsche Telekom and others. There are currently two technology incubators at the ATP – the only place in Israel to house two such programs. BGN Technologies also relocated there.

In recent months, BGN has worked tirelessly to establish CyberSpark,

the first virtual collaboration of its kind in the world. Following Deutsche Telekom and EMC, two other international giants, Lockheed Martin and IBM have signed agreements to establish research activities with BGU.

IBM has announced the opening of a Center of Excellence for Security and Protection of Infrastructure and Assets. The new joint venture with BGU will expand IBM Israel's R&D activities, while leveraging the proven expertise of the University in this field.

Lockheed Martin and EMC announced that they will jointly promote collaborations with industry, government and academia, focusing on R&D programs in Beer-Sheva, cloud computing, data analysis (Big Data) and cyber-related technologies. Beer-Sheva's ATP will provide an ideal infrastructure for collaboration with industry and researchers at BGU.

BGN Technologies has also signed dozens of agreements with companies this year both in



Israel and abroad, in the fields of Cleantech, Biotech and Hi-Tech.

Technology incubators in which BGN Technologies is a partner (Capital Nature and CyberLabs), have established nine start-ups in southern Israel in the fields of alternative energy and information technologies and employ dozens of employees. Two additional start-ups have been established in the field of biotech based on technologies developed by BGU.

OUR WORLDWIDE FAMILY OF ASSOCIATES AT WORK 2012/13 YEAR-END FIGURES

	Total
Contributions Received	\$44,485,791
Interest Income from Endowments	\$7,724,908
Endowment Fund Balance (as of 30/9/13)	\$230,122,992

Notes: Contribution figures are gross and do not reflect local fundraising charges | All figures are approximate due to fluctuating exchange and interest rates | 2012/13 interest income was calculated at approximately 3.0% | Figures do not reflect approximately \$35.1 million in endowment and trust funds held in the U.S. by and on behalf of AABGU (including outside managed trusts).

SENIOR ADMINISTRATION



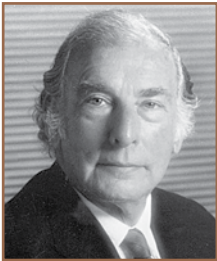
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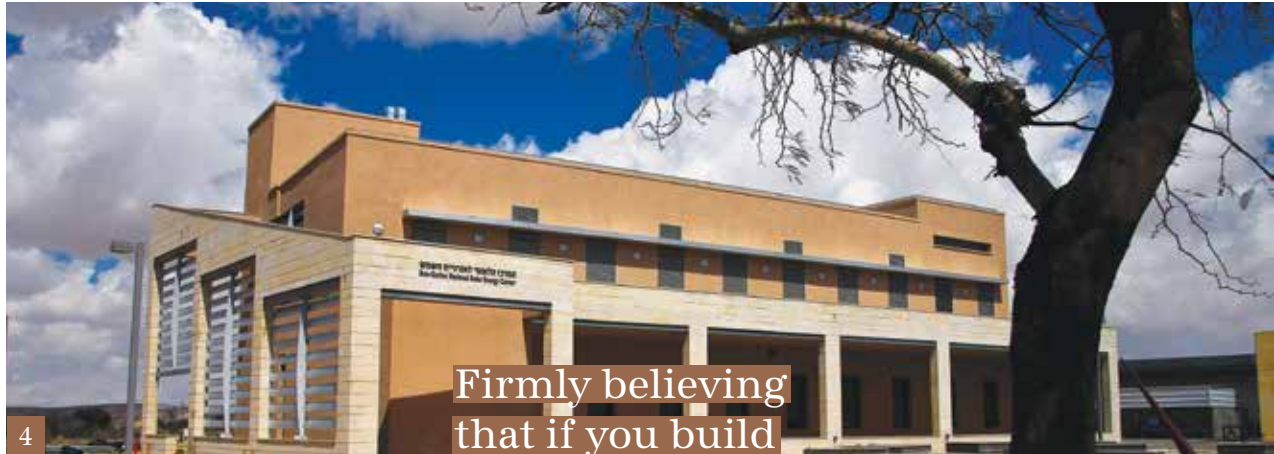


Prof. Dan Blumberg
Deputy Vice-President
and Dean for R&D

CAMPUS CONSTRUCTION



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Firmly believing that if you build it they will come, the University is actively planning for the future

The current building program of more than \$100 million will significantly improve the University’s ability to grow – providing new dormitories, laboratory and classroom space and support facilities in every discipline.

Over the past year the University has undergone a long-term strategic planning process to identify the needs that will be incorporated into the new North Campus. The firm of Chyutin Architects was chosen through a competitive process to finalize a master-plan. Priority projects include student dormitories and an international convention center.

Work is now underway to develop a long-term plan to allow for

compliance with zoning regulations and the start of infrastructure work. In the interim, a 500-place parking lot has been opened to relieve congestion on campus.

In addition to the major building projects detailed here, the University is in an ongoing process of renewing the older buildings to ensure their functionality and accessibility. This year’s projects included the removal of asbestos and the start of a significant renovation of the Zalman Aranne Central Library and a full expansion and upgrading of the University Sports Center.

COMPLETED THIS YEAR

- Ruth and Heinz-Horst Deichmann Classroom and Computer Lab Building
- Ben-Gurion National Solar Energy Center
- Interdisciplinary Laboratory Building
- American Associates Village at Sede Boqer – Phase 1 and 2
- Deutsche Telekom Innovation Laboratories and BGN offices at the ATP

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- 1. American Associates Village at Sede Boqer – Phase 1 and 2
- 2. Interdisciplinary Laboratory Building
- 3. Ruth and Heinz-Horst Deichmann Classroom and Computer Lab Building
- 4. Ben-Gurion National Solar Energy Center

UNDER CONSTRUCTION

- The Edgar de Picciotto Family National Institute for Biotechnology in the Negev
- The Guzik Family Building for Biotechnology Engineering
- American Associates Village at Sede Boqer – Phase 3
- Zalman Aranne Central Library renovation
- The Rothschild Cube

IN THE ADVANCED PLANNING STAGES

- Jack, Joseph and Morton Mandel Institute for Social Leadership Building
- The Jusidman Science Center for Youth at BGU by the Rashi Foundation
- Information Systems Engineering and Psychology Building
- Field Medical Simulation Center
- The Jim and Liz Breslauer Bridge
- Lorry I. Lokey Chemistry Building



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THE SPARK OF INNOVATION

BGU is at the heart of a government initiative to develop Beer-Sheva as the cyber capital of the world

"Beer-Sheva will not only be the cyber capital of Israel but one of the most important places in the cyber security field in the world," Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu declared at the opening of the Cyber Tech Israel conference in January.

He announced the creation of CyberSpark: the Israeli Cyber Innovation Arena, a virtual cooperation between the National Cyber Bureau, BGU, a number of corporate entities in the Advanced Technologies Park (ATP), the Israel Defense Forces' (IDF) most advanced technology units and the Municipality of Beer-Sheva.

Contributing factors include the imminent move of the IDF's most advanced infrastructure and intelligence units to the Negev; the Cyber Bureau's decision to locate the national Cyber Emergency Response Team research groups in the second building of the ATP, now under construction; the creation of a BGU-IBM Center of Excellence for Security and Protection of Infrastructure and Assets that will develop a curriculum to help train the next generation of professionals, as well as perform leading edge scientific research on emerging areas like Big Data and cloud computing; and EMC-RSA's announcement that it would be investing in cyber security projects with Lockheed Martin to explore and promote collaborative projects in cloud computing, data analytics and related cyber technologies with BGU researchers.

The University and the National Cyber Bureau have also signed an agreement to develop a cyber center focusing on long-term theoretical research at BGU.

The University's MSc degree in Cyber Space Security – a joint program of the Department of Information Systems Engineering and the Department of Computer Science – continues to expand.

Designed to provide researchers and professionals with a high level of training in the field of information security in cyber space, the unique program attracts outstanding students from around the country, preparing them to take a leadership role in this field.

The government initiative also includes wider efforts to develop the human potential of the region with the launch of a new high school for outstanding students in the South. The academic program is being designed in partnership with BGU to ensure that graduates are qualified to defend Israel's digital borders.

Speaking at the dedication of the new DT Innovation Labs at BGU, DT CEO Timotheus Höttes noted that, "The DT-Labs at BGU have contributed to creating a cyber-security ecosystem here – a SiliconWadi – as their presence has worked like a magnet for other companies in the same field."



1. The opening of the ATP in the presence of Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu 2 and 3. The CyberSpark pavilion at the international Cyber Tech Conference in Tel Aviv, the first conference to showcase Israel's cyber security capabilities.

A GAME-CHANGING APPROACH



Both President Shimon Peres and Chicago Mayor Rahm Emanuel presided over the establishment of the Ben-Gurion University of the Negev-University of Chicago Water Technology Collaboration at the President's House last June. The agreement was signed by BGU President Prof. Rivka Carmi and UChicago President Robert J. Zimmer while the esteemed guests lauded the agreement.

"I strongly support this partnership and I look forward to working with leading institutions like BGU and the University of Chicago to create innovations and opportunities for the future," said Mayor Emanuel.

Focused on creating "game-changing" solutions to make clean water more plentiful and cheaper by 2020, the partnership is being directed by Prof. Moshe Gottlieb,

the incumbent of the Frankel Family Chair in Energy and Chemical Engineering at BGU, together with Prof. Matthew Tirrell, the Pritzker Director of UChicago's Institute for Molecular Engineering.

The initiative harnesses the energies of the Zuckerberg Institute for Water Research at the Jacob Blaustein Institutes for Desert Research in Sede Boqer (BIDR), the Argonne National Laboratory in Lemont, Illinois, which UChicago manages for the US Department of Energy, and the Marine Biological Laboratory in Woods Hole, Massachusetts.

Presently, there are between 12-15 faculty members from each university working to address the need for efficient water collection and retention through molecular engineering. Current research projects include the design of seed-coating polymers to improve water retention, the development of multifunctional and antifouling desalination membranes that can be used for much longer than traditional ones and can be applied to an array of contaminants, tracking and analyzing groundwater and developing a catalyst to treat poisonous organic contaminants in industrial wastewater.

"We believe that such proposals could make clean water more available and less costly to produce, and that molecular and nanotechnology-based improvements in water technology and soil water retention could make crops more drought resistant and decrease dependence on water resources," explains Gottlieb.

"Each university brings unique credentials to the table; BGU has prided itself on water engineering and nanotechnology research, on a practical level, UChicago has a rich scientific research pedigree, but had no engineering programs before its Institute of Molecular Engineering was founded in 2011. The new tools and insights coming forth from this unique combination of a great scientific institution, an experienced engineering institution, and a professional facilitator like Argonne, afford a molecular-level approach to tackle an age-old human plight – the various and pervasive challenge of the diminishing global water supply," he adds.



1. Prof. Moshe Gottlieb
2. Prof. Rivka Carmi and President Robert J. Zimmer sign the BGU-UChicago Water Technology Collaboration in the presence of Chicago Mayor Rahm Emanuel and Israel's President Shimon Peres



BGU and UChicago are working together to develop innovative water technologies



A HISTORY OF CHANGE



A new database will help shape the understanding of conversion

Religious conversion was once a very private decision that people did their best not to talk about, making it difficult for historians to study the phenomenon.

Over the past year, the University has taken a leading role in creating the Center for the Study of Conversion and Inter-Religious Encounters, a conversions database filled with qualitative and quantitative materials about conversion through the ages.

Led by Prof. Chaim Hames, incumbent of the David Berg and Family Chair in European History and chair of the Department of General History, the initiative was made possible by the Israeli Council of Higher Education, which decided to fund the establishment of an Israel Center of Research Excellence (I-CORE) last May.

"The Center is based on an idea I had when I was looking into specific converts and discovered there was not much information out there," Hames says.

One of the primary purposes of the database will be to fill in the wider communal context: Were there other converts in the community? Why did they convert? What did they do? Who were their relations? Did they move after their conversion? "Almost anyone who works on national or

religious identity or inter-religious encounters will be interested in this project," he believes.

A team of doctoral students and post-docs are now combing through primary materials. They'll be assisted by scholars around the world, who have been contacted to add materials from collections at their institutions.

The database may be used to change basic perceptions. "It has been the consensus for the last hundred years that from the 13th century onward the Dominican and Franciscan Orders began to proselytize the Jews extensively. But is that true?

"The information in the database will be able to show how involved Dominicans and Franciscans were in conversion efforts. Hopefully, we'll be able to change the perception of Christian-Jewish relations in the 13th century," he adds.

I-CORE is a multi-university government-funded initiative to encourage research excellence and reverse the brain drain of Israeli academics.

"This project should help scholars publish their own research," Hames declares. "In five years' time, anyone who wants to work on conversion will have to use and cite our online database. BGU will be one of the leading places for such research in the world," he says.

ALUMNI NOW



FOCUSED ON SUSTAINABILITY

DR. ALIT WIEL-SHAFRAN, Geological and Environmental Sciences, Zuckerberg Institute for Water Research

A child of the Negev who did her army service at the field school in Sede Boqer, Wiel-Shafran fell in love with the desert. With an ISEF scholarship she realized her dream to do a PhD that combined basic science with environmental impact. Today she has her dream job, serving as the manager of the environmental unit at the Negev Highlands Regional Council, including Mitzpe Ramon.

"The best part of my job is that I am able to help people live well in a more sustainable way," she says.



BREAKING THE GLASS CEILING



BGU has launched a University-wide program to advance women academics

- 1. Dr. Ronnie Kamai, Department of Structural Engineering
- 2. Dr. Ayelet Harel-Shalev, Department of Politics and Government
- 3. Dr. Sarah Abu Kaf, Conflict Management and Resolution Program
- 4. Dr. Shira Stav, Department of Hebrew Literature
- 5. Dr. Anat Bernstein, Zuckerberg Institute for Water Research
- 6. Dr. Neta Sal-Man, The Shraga Segal Department of Microbiology, Immunology and Genetics
- 7. Dr. Leeat Granek, Department of Psychology and FOHS
- 8. Dr. Dganit Meidan, Department of Physics
- 9. Dr. Tal Oron-Gilad, Department of Industrial Engineering and Management

Lead by President Prof. Rivka Carmi together with Adviser on Women’s Issues Prof. Iris Shai, BGU has identified the different roadblocks that limit the promotion of female academics and is working to implement measures that will ensure their success.

Last year President Carmi headed a nationwide committee that studied the topic on behalf of the Council for Higher Education. It was only natural that BGU, the first Israeli university with a woman president, would actively adopt these recommendations.

The findings were conclusive: while Israel graduates a large number of female PhDs, it has far fewer women in the ranks of senior faculty than other European countries.

This year there were 216 women among the faculty, not including clinical medical staff, representing 27 percent of the total. The higher one ascends the ladder of seniority, the lower the percentage of women. Today 40 percent of

lecturers, 35 percent of senior lecturers, 19 percent of associate professors and only 16 percent of full professors are women. Of the 38 new faculty members recruited this year, one third are women.

One of the key stumbling blocks, the report found, is the post-doctoral fellowship, generally done abroad. The average age for a woman completing a doctorate in Israel is relatively high: 37.3 years old. Israeli women also tend to have more children

than similarly educated women around the world. The result is that potential candidates for international fellowships are older, with more children and less flexibility than their peers.

Based on the commitment of the Marc Rich Foundation for Education, Culture and Welfare, a number of new initiatives have been implemented that focus on overcoming these obstacles and offer additional support to young female researchers. These include the creation of Marc Rich Foundation “Next Step on the Academic Ladder” workshops for

PhD students; practical workshops for young researchers; professional mentoring programs; and an open forum to encourage dialogue between male and female faculty members and graduate students on issues relating to gender equality with the hope of creating a supportive environment that encourages women to excel.

INTERNATIONAL ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

BGU is working to enhance its reputation as a leading global institution

The Office of International Academic Affairs (OIAA) was reorganized and expanded to facilitate its mission to enrich the educational experience for both Israeli and international students, increase international connections and improve services for visiting academics and students.

With the addition of an administrative director and dedicated marketing director, the OIAA has taken upon itself BGU's international marketing.

Working in coordination with the Council for Higher Education (CHE) to promote research collaborations, specifically with China and India, BGU now has approximately 90 PhD students and post-doc fellows from these countries. Efforts are underway to increase these numbers through the launch of a Chinese-language recruitment site. BGU also participated in the first academic

delegation to China organized by the CHE, taking part in an international student fair and meetings in Beijing and Shanghai.

The CHE accepted a BGU proposal to organize a short-term summer course in Global Health for outstanding Chinese and Indian students, in addition to a similar course in Desert Studies launched last year.

Efforts are also underway to expand options for full degree programs in English. BGU and Die Hochschule für Jüdische Studien Heidelberg signed an agreement this year to launch the first joint Israel-Germany academic program. The MA program in Israel Studies will be held at the Ben-Gurion Research Institute for the Study of Israeli and Zionism and in Heidelberg and is open to Israelis and Germans.

Students from the Jewish Theological Seminary (JTS) in NYC, will now be able to spend a semester at BGU through the Israel Studies International Program.

A grant from the Diane and Guilford Glazer Fund to the Ben-Gurion Research Institute will enable the development of week-long seminars for Chinese students studying in the country that introduces them to contemporary Israel and Jewish identity.

An analysis of recruitment figures shows that students who come to BGU for short-term programs, organized by the Ginsburg-Ingerman Overseas Student Program, are more likely to register for a long-term or full degree program. This suggests that BGU's welcoming atmosphere and proactive approach to integrating international students into campus life are particularly noteworthy.

At the same time, the OIAA is working to streamline the bureaucratic process for international students, to expand the availability of English-language materials and augment the procedures for finding academic advisers for students pursuing advanced degrees.

BGU, via the OIAA, participates in several Erasmus Mundus programs, funding students and staff to study in Europe. BGU Israeli students may also apply for a semester abroad through one of the University's many bi-lateral exchange programs. All the administration and coordination for the outgoing BGU students is done by the OIAA.

Indian students at BGU celebrate Diwali, the Hindu Festival of the Lights





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IN THE BUSINESS OF CARING

TAL ELAL, Geography and Environmental Development

Elal learned about the problems facing local residents as director of the Open Apartments Program. Now in his third term as deputy mayor of Beer-Sheva, he counts among his accomplishments the creation of a center to improve services for local businesses, the expansion of employment opportunities and an energy conservation program – “Business Greening,” which has been adopted nationwide.

“Politics means being able to actually do something for your community,” Elal maintains, citing Albert Einstein’s statement that “Those who have the privilege to know, have the duty to act.”

NEW AND NOTEWORTHY

MILESTONES

THE PRIME MINISTER OF ISRAEL BENJAMIN NETANYAHU ANNOUNCED THE CREATION OF **CYBERSPARK** – THE ISRAEL CYBER INNOVATION ARENA – IN BEER-SHEVA. THE COLLABORATIVE PROJECT INCLUDES THE NATIONAL CYBER BUREAU, THE BEER-SHEVA MUNICIPALITY AND BGU.

A SIGNIFICANT GIFT BY THE **JACK, JOSEPH AND MORTON MANDEL FOUNDATION** OF CLEVELAND, OHIO HAS PAVED THE WAY FOR THE LAUNCH OF THE JACK, JOSEPH AND MORTON MANDEL INSTITUTE FOR SOCIAL LEADERSHIP THAT WILL HAVE ITS OWN DEDICATED BUILDING AND ALLOW FOR THE EXPANSION OF THE UNIVERSITY’S PROGRAMS.

THE UNIVERSITY WILL BE INAUGURATING THE **PRESIDENT’S PILLARS** TO RECOGNIZE ITS MOST MUNIFICENT SUPPORTERS THIS MAY.

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From l-r: Yishai Jusidman; Yigal Jusidman; Deputy-Mayor Dr. Heftzi Zohar; Mayor Ruvik Danelovich; Director, Ministry of Education Southern District Amira Chaim; Director-General Rashi Foundation Itzik Turgeman; Daniel Jusidman; Arie Jusidman and Prof. Rivka Carmi

PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

The Ruth and Heinz-Horst Deichmann Classroom and Computer Lab Building opened for the 2013-14 academic year and will be dedicated this May, thanks to the vision and generosity of **Dr. Heinz-Horst Deichmann of Germany.**

Phase one and two of the American Associates Village at Sede Boqer will be dedicated this May thanks to a dedicated fundraising campaign by the **American Associates Ben-Gurion University of the Negev.**

The new, enlarged **Deutsche Telekom Innovation Laboratories at BGU** were dedicated and opened in the first building of the Advanced Technologies Park (ATP).

The cornerstone was laid for the **Jusidman Science Center for Youth at BGU**, made possible through the generosity of the Jusidman family of Mexico. The Center brings together a wide range of educational programs for high school students in the region and is a joint collaboration with the Rashi Foundation, Daniel Foundation, the Ministry of Education and the Beer-Sheva Municipality.

The University will begin construction on the Jim and Liz Breslauer Bridge that will connect the Marcus Family Campus and the Faculty of Health Sciences, thanks to the generosity of the **Soref-Breslauer Texas Foundation.**

The Guzik Family Building for Biotechnology Engineering will be named in May thanks to the generous support of **Nahum Guzik, USA.**

The cornerstone will be laid for a building to advance chemistry research this May, made possible through the generous support of **Lorry I. Lokey, USA.**

The Sharon Houminer Garden will be dedicated in May, with the support of **Ehud and Naomi Houminer, USA.**

The Ben-Gurion National Solar Energy Center in Sede Boqer will be dedicated in May thanks to the leadership of the **French Associates.**

NEW PROGRAMS, CENTERS AND RESEARCH ACTIVITIES

The **Naomi Bartnoff Fisher Genetic Counseling Unit** was dedicated at Soroka University Medical Center.

The **Aaron Klug Integrated Centre for Biomolecular Structure and Function** was dedicated to honor British Nobel Laureate Prof. Klug for his lifetime of achievement.

Lockheed Martin and EMC Corporation signed an agreement to work together to promote collaborative research and development projects in cloud computing, data analytics and related cyber technologies with BGU researchers.

The **Estate of Ruth and Robert St. John** provided generous support to initiate the Advancing Academic Accomplishment Program, providing a bridge to academic success for the University's Arab student population.

A new Student Support Center, made possible with the assistance of the **National Insurance Institute of Israel**, was opened, providing ongoing emotional and physical support for students with special needs including learning disabilities, attention deficit disorders, and physical and emotional disabilities.

BGU signed an agreement with the **Israel National Cyber Bureau** to create a national center for the protection of cyberspace that advances long term theoretical research and technological development in cybersecurity.

NEW AND NOTEWORTHY



The first class of the Guilford Glazer Faculty of Business & Management (GGFBM) Mandel Social Leadership MBA Program (Photo: Shlomi Amsalem)

BGU and the Soreq Nuclear Research Center - NRC have received significant funding from the **Israeli Ministry of Defense** to create a National Photonics and Electro-Optics Research Center that will enable advanced research of sophisticated electro-optics projects employing state-of-the-art equipment and top personnel.

The Education, Audiovisual and Culture Executive Agency of the **European Commission** selected the Centre for the Study of European Politics and Society and the Department of Politics and Government to create the first National Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence in European Studies in Israel.

The first project of the unique new Faculty of Health Sciences start-up initiative to promote interdisciplinary studies received one of the only four **DIP – German-Israeli Project-Cooperation** grants in Israel. The BGU group received significant funding to study, "The Interplay of Mitochondrial and Nuclear Ca²⁺ signaling and its Implication for Memory and Brain Disorders."

SIGNIFICANT MEMORANDUMS OF UNDERSTANDING SIGNED

BGU and Dalhousie University of Canada signed a MoU in the presence of Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu and Canadian Prime Minister Stephen Harper to create a world class Ocean Studies Centre in Eilat.

BGU and Die Hochschule für Jüdische Studien Heidelberg signed an agreement to launch the first ever joint Israel-Germany academic program that will specialize in Modern Jewish Life and Culture and be open to Israeli and German students.

BGU and IBM signed a MoU to establish a Center of Excellence for Security and Protection of Infrastructure and Assets that will develop a curriculum to help train the next generation of professionals, as well as perform cutting-edge scientific research on emerging areas like Big Data and cloud computing.

HONORS AND NEW DEGREES BESTOWED

The **Negev Funding Coalition of the Jewish Federations of North America's Clean Technology Fellowships at BGU** were inaugurated.

The first class of the Guilford Glazer Faculty of Business & Management (GGFBM) **Mandel Social Leadership MBA Program** (SLMBA) graduated this year,



The first class of haredi women from the Haredi College in Jerusalem

culminating a process that was inspired by its founder Mort Mandel, USA to create an interdisciplinary degree program in management for social change.

The first class of haredi (ultra-orthodox) women from the **Haredi College in Jerusalem** was awarded their degrees in psychology under the auspices of BGU.

EXCELLENCE RECOGNIZED

Dr. Michal Bar-Asher Siegal, the incumbent of the Rosen Family Career Development Chair in Judaic Studies at BGU's Goldstein-Goren Department of Jewish Thought has been awarded the Manfred Lautenschlaeger Award for Theological Promise.

Prof. Pedro Berliner, incumbent of the Benjamin Schwartz Chair in Agricultural Biology and Director of the Jacob Blaustein Institutes for Desert Research, received the French Ordre National du Mérite Agricole (National Order of Agricultural Merit) for his innovative work in desert agriculture.

Prof. Ashraf Brik, a member of the Department of Chemistry and the Edmond J. Safra Center for the Design and Engineering of Functional Biopolymers has been awarded the 2012 Teva Award for Excellence in Memory of Eli Hurvitz.

Prof. Rivka Carmi, incumbent of the Kreitman Foundation Chair in Pediatric Genetics, received an honorary doctorate from Dalhousie University of Canada.

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Prof. Gary Diamond from the Department of Psychology and his colleague Prof. Guy Diamond (no relation) of Drexel University in the USA received the Research Award from the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention for their outstanding research in the field.

Prof. Uri Erlich from the Goldstein-Goren Department of Jewish Thought received the Ben-Tzvi award for his book, *The Weekday Amidah in Cairo Genizah Prayer Books: Roots and Transmission*.

Prof. Ariel Feldestein, the University's Academic Secretary, received the Prime Minister and President of Israel's Lifetime Achievement Award for his efforts to commemorate the memory and heritage of Israel's first Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion.

Prof. Emeritus Shimon Glick has been awarded a Lifetime Achievement Award as part of the Nefesh B'Nefesh Bonei Zion Awards for 2014 recognizing outstanding Anglo immigrants who encapsulate the spirit of modern-day Zionism by contributing in a significant way towards the State of Israel.

Prof. Michal Krumer-Nevo, a member of the Jack J. and Charlotte B. Spitzer Department of Social Work received the 2013 Award for Social Change from the Minister of Social Affairs and Social Services, the lobby for social workers in the Knesset and the Association of Social Workers.

Prof. David Newman, Dean of the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, received the Order of the British Empire (OBE) for his promotion of academic partnership between Britain and Israel.

Dr. Eliezer (Eli) Papo from the Department of Hebrew Literature received the Ben-Tzvi Award for his book, *And Thou Shall Jest with Your Son: Judeo-Spanish Parodies on the Passover Haggadah*.

Dr. Niv Papo, a member of the Avram and Stella Goldstein-Goren Department of Biotechnology Engineering and the National Institute for Biotechnology in the Negev, received the Krill Prize in Life Sciences for 2014, the Young Investigator Award from the Prostate Cancer Foundation and a European Research Council grant.

Dr. Sharon Pardo, a member of the Department of Politics and Government and the Director of the Centre for the Study of European Politics and Society (CSEPS), was awarded the prestigious Jean Monnet

Chair *ad personam* – the first to be awarded to a scholar in Israel.

Dr. Haim Permuter from the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering received a prestigious European Research Council starting grant.

Prof. Amir Sagi, incumbent of the Lily and Sidney Oelbaum Chair in Applied Biochemistry and a member of the Department of Life Sciences and the National Institute for Biotechnology in the Negev, received the Global Aquaculture Alliance's inaugural Novus Global Aquaculture Innovation Award.

Natali Zeituni from the Department of Life Sciences was awarded a L'Oréal National Fellowship with the support of the UNESCO National Commissions.

REGIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL IMPACT

The Department of Emergency Medicine received funding from the European Commission – Partnership for Peace Programme and the Ministry of Regional Cooperation to enhance the regional capacity for disaster management by training first responder teams in rural communities in Jordan, the Palestinian Authority and Israel,

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SERIAL ENTREPRENEURS

RAN KRAUSS, Industrial Engineering and Management (right)
AMIR TSALIAH, Materials Engineering

It was a locked bomb shelter during a rocket attack in Beer-Sheva in 2008 that inspired the two students to devise a system to unlock and monitor public shelters automatically in an emergency. They launched a company to develop their life-saving system. The two have set up two more hi-tech companies in Beer-Sheva – a civilian operator for unmanned aerial photography and a ballistic parachute system for unmanned aircraft.

"Our basic drive," says Krauss, "is to create something that you can only imagine and make it a reality. That it can also be life-saving is a very big bonus."



NEW AND NOTEWORTHY



Tree planting with Beit Fanny – the BGU-WIZO University daycare center that is now operating at full capacity (Photo: Yogev Levy)

including cross-border collaboration in emergency response. The program includes developing joint Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) for cross-border collaboration between communities during disasters and the expansion of the activities of Development Strategy Forums (DSFs). The program involves close cooperation in creating and sustaining rapid response teams of the Jordan Red

Crescent, Israel's Magen David Adom, BGU and the Palestinian Green Land Society for Health Development.

The Centre for the Study of European Politics and Society, the Bologna Training Center, and the Department of Politics and Government, have been awarded a European Commission

Tempus Grant to study the level of social engagement of Israeli students and their institutions, as well as develop models for the strengthening of their public responsibility, working with partner institutions across Europe and within Israel.



HELP FOR THE DISABLED

ADI NURIEL-AVRAHAM, The Nonprofit Organizations Management Program, Guilford Glazer Faculty of Business & Management

Adi manages the *SipurHozer* ("Rebooks") social project in the old city of Beer-Sheva that provides vocational rehabilitation and employment for people with mental illnesses through book recycling. A branch of the *Shekulo Tov* non-profit organization, it integrates individuals into the community and runs a second hand book shop that supplies books to coffee shops and restaurants.

"I didn't come from the rehabilitation or social work fields, but I've always believed it's important to treat everyone the same, to see a person's potential and not his or her illness," says Nuriel-Avraham.



FIRST WOMAN BEDOUIN GYNECOLOGIST

**DR. RANIA OKBY, Joyce and Irving
Goldman Medical School**

An attending ob/gyn doctor at the Soroka University Medical Center and a consultant at the Clalit HMO clinic, she mentors medical students, is involved in research and has participated in an impressive array of medical projects, including “Making Peace through Medicine” for Palestinian, Israeli, Jordanian and Egyptian high school students.

“Bedouin society has many problems, but I am focusing on women’s health,” she explains. “Women are the backbone of society, and education is the key to making a difference.”

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COMMUNITY ACTION
DEPARTMENT

The Community Action Department seeks to reduce social disparities and increase sensitivity and social awareness among those taking part. This goal is reflected in the Department’s motto: “With you, society is more equal.”

The Department encourages social entrepreneurship through innovative initiatives such as the Keren Moshe Foundation for Social Leadership Program, made possible through the generosity of the Halpérin family from Switzerland. Each year some 120 students receive a scholarship to participate in a program that introduces them to social issues while training them to be effective leaders. This year’s student projects include advancing legislation for subsidizing products for those with celiac disease, encouraging dialogue and between Jewish and non-Jewish students on campus and encouraging the employment of the disabled.

The Lillian and Larry Goodman Open Apartments Program continues to grow. Aimed at promoting and fostering shared community responsibility in the older neighborhoods of Beer-Sheva, the program organizes over 100 activities annually, adopts some 100 families and organizes a Passover apartment painting project.

The newly launched Neighborhood Project identified existing needs or problems in each of the areas in which it operates community centers. The process included the establishment of a neighborhood committee, cultivating a community spirit and promoting personal safety issues such as requiring the city to clearly mark pedestrian cross walks, organizing enrichment lectures for adults.

This year’s Ted Arison Family Foundation Fellows worked in the community gardens on the nationwide Good Deeds Day in March. The HaBarvaz Theater group is producing a theater festival in Eilat for four youth theater groups.

The Rothschild Cube project began taking shape as a center for effective social entrepreneurship. A joint initiative of the Rothschild Caesarea Foundation and BGU, the heart of the cube is being

developed as a “social simulator” – a unique interactive experience that creates an environment for discussing values while providing tools to engage in social activity. The simulator will be inaugurated at the beginning of the 2014-2015 academic year.

The Cube’s staff is already working, having developed an academic course on social entrepreneurship and a training program for entrepreneurs. A new course will open for the graduates of community programs organized by the Mandel Foundation in the Negev.

Launched in 1990, the Kidma program welcomed its largest incoming class ever. Some 240 new immigrant students and veteran Israelis who never had a chance to finish school registered for courses in basic Hebrew, English, mathematics and computers. Students range in age from 18-60 and come from diverse backgrounds, but share a high motivation to learn.

This year the Department opened additional programs for adults: three classes in the Ad Halom program, initiated in

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cooperation with the Division of Adult Education, that enable adults to complete 12 years of schooling and obtain a high school graduation certificate, and a program allowing soldiers to obtain this certificate before they are discharged.

PERACH

Perach, the nationwide student mentoring program, is marking its 40th anniversary with a re-evaluation of strategic goals. The Southern branch, located at BGU, was part of this process that examined the core values of the Perach spirit and articulated its vision as, "striving to support a society with strength based on mutual caring and responsibility through the creation of meaningful relationships between mentors, students and youth."

A committee was created to formulate a strategy to improve the training of coordinators. A series of new tools for the tutor, child and coordinator were developed and implemented. In 2013-2014 a virtual course was

developed and produced for Perach mentors. This is a unique course that guides mentors before the first meeting with the child and teaches them to recognize and deal with the different issues that can arise from the start.

Working with the Beer-Sheva Municipality, Perach launched a multi-year plan to raise the percentage of high school students who complete the highest level of mathematics on their matriculation exams across the city. Students from the Faculties of Engineering and Natural Sciences now tutor 10-12th grade students in advanced mathematics free of charge. Participating high school students receive additional support inside and outside the classroom to enable them to realize their potential.

In the past year, Perach BGU hosted two delegations of similar mentoring programs from around the world, including groups from Mexico, the European Union and New Zealand.

Perach is a supporter of the Marie Curie Project of the Jusidman Center along with BGU, the Beer-Sheva Municipality and other organizations. Participants begin

their undergraduate studies in chemistry during high school and are assisted by students studying chemistry and chemical engineering. BGU students help the younger students become acquainted with life at the University, assisting them in understanding the study material taught in courses and mainly act as a source for consultation and as role models.

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

The Alumni Association continues to grow, broadening the variety of projects and level of involvement of our alumni. New technologies have opened up new platforms for expanded communication. The Association works closely with the University's academic units, corporations located in Beer-Sheva, particularly in the new Advanced Technologies Park, the Student Union, the Beer-Sheva Municipality and local organizations to develop a professional network for the benefit of all parties involved.

Keren Moshe student Daniel Etzioni works with hearing impaired children through the MICHA organization



Using a new customer management system, the Association maintains regular contact with 40,000 alumni. Graduates receive a monthly newsletter and job listings. Alumni participation in the newsletter is encouraged.

A new website and unique Facebook group for career development and job opportunities were created. A University lifetime email address is offered free of charge to all graduates (your-name@post.bgu.ac.il), with no size limit. More than 5,000 addresses have been issued over the past six months.

The Alumni Association has begun to issue magnetic "Graduate" cards that provide a range of benefits throughout the country in education, culture, entertainment, health and more; and a "Negev Graduate" card offering all the benefits of the Graduate card plus a variety of special benefits for those living in the region. More than 5,000 cards have been issued so far.

A mentor's project is underway whereby graduates share their personal and professional experience with students. The voluntary project includes helping out a new employee (a new graduate) in the workplace; providing career counselling; helping students working on their final project; and providing assistance throughout the academic year for students with difficulties.

Twelve hundred alumni responded to a survey that covered their academic career and long-term views on the University, the Negev and the future. Results show that satisfaction with the learning experience at the University is high.

With the initiative of the "Graduate in the Negev" club, the first alumni meeting took place in Beer-Sheva with seven round tables on topics such as entrepreneurship, community activities, networking, and an open dialogue circle. More sessions are planned on entrepreneurship and innovation.

You are welcome to visit our website: www.bgu.ac.il/alumni

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A "class" of future guide dogs for the blind relax after their training class. Some 30 students raise puppies who will graduate to be seeing-eye dogs.



ACADEMIC PREPARATORY COURSES

The Pre-Academic Studies Center offers a variety of specially-tailored programs that prepare students for the rigors of academic life. The Center also offers a range of services, including personal mentoring, tutoring and outside financial support to help students realize their potential.

The "Buds in the Desert" program, funded by the Kahanoff Foundation, focuses on Bedouin students studying Humanities and Social Sciences with an emphasis on the fields of education,

economics, English literature and social work and students studying Natural Sciences, with a focus on chemistry, mathematics, physics, computer and life sciences.

There are currently 13 students of Ethiopian origin participating in the regular preparatory tracks, thanks to the support of the Unit for Guidance for Discharged Soldiers of the Ministry of Defense and Marmanet Organization & Projects Management Int. Ltd.

Over 100 students participated in the "Horizons to Hi-tech" project designed to promote academic studies among students from the socioeconomic and geographic periphery. In May 2014, the seventh cohort will begin. The project is funded by a

consortium that includes the Rashi Foundation, the Unit for Guidance for Discharged Soldiers and Marmanet.

There are also some eight Arab students who are integrated into a variety of programs through the support of the Council of Higher Education and Marmanet.

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MEMBER OF KNESSET, YESH ATID PARTY

SHIMON SOLOMON, Spitzer Department of Social Work

Dedicating himself to the advancement of the Ethiopian Jewish community, Solomon has held many administrative and advisory positions in absorption and community centers. He has served as Consul in the Israeli Embassy in Addis Ababa and director of a youth village for orphaned genocide survivors in Rwanda.

"My background and experiences have convinced me that as elected officials we have the power to change people's lives for the better, and this is a great privilege," he says.

STUDENT LIFE



1. General campus life
2. "Afghan Girl" costume from the Annual Purim Fair
3. A new academic counselling center was opened by the Admissions Office to help potential students
4. Students graduate from a special bedouin nursing degree program



OFFICE OF THE DEAN OF STUDENTS

Prof. Moshe Kaspi from the Faculty of Engineering Sciences was elected Dean of Students. The decision to elect an academic to the position after the former dean retired led to a comprehensive organizational review of the Office's mission, structure and staffing. The Office works to promote student welfare through distributing scholarships, offering a wide range of services and support while investing in the physical surroundings and cultural life of the student body.

With the support of the National Insurance Institute of Israel, a Student Support Center was opened this year that offers students with special needs additional support. The program includes emotional and career counseling and 32 computer stations with a range of help programs. The program offers tech support and programs to



develop academic skills such as essay writing and test taking. A coordinator for students with medical disabilities was recruited.

In the general psychological clinic, three new senior clinical psychologists were hired. The Sylvia A. Brodsky Crisis Intervention Program hotline expanded its services, greatly reducing the wait for regular appointments. Additional group



therapy options were added to serve a wider audience, such as students dealing with family illness or the loss of a parent.

A newly-hired social worker has been recruited to help students deal with issues such as illness, economic hardship and other unexpected crises. A coordinator has been appointed to work with pregnant students and those who have recently given birth to help them manage their studies and ensure they receive the benefits they are entitled to.

Thanks in part to the Robert H. Arnow Bedouin Scholarship

Matching Program, a concentrated effort has been made to increase support for Bedouin students and help ensure the successful completion of their studies.

Ma'ala – The University's dropout prevention program – was expanded, offering tutoring, workshops, how to handle exam anxiety, personal help and psychological treatment. The Ma'ala program for minorities also provides financial assistance such as food vouchers, travel expenses and help from a social worker.

New orientation programs were launched. A two-day program geared for students in the Faculties of Natural Sciences and Engineering Sciences prepared the students for the rigors of academic life. New academic tutorial study groups were launched that help five students at a time on a variety of subjects.

The Debate Club continued to excel in competitions in Israel and

abroad. The Club reached the European Championship quarter-finals in 2013 and the World Championships held in India. The "Red Sea" competition, an international debate competition hosted on the Eilat Campus, was held for the fourth year.

The BGU Dance Troupe, sponsored by Suzanne Zlotowski and Adeline Zlotowski, presented a new show, La Karina, on campus, at the Smilansky Festival in Beer-Sheva and at the Dance Festival in Mitzpe Ramon over the Succot holiday.

The vocal ensemble Negev-Ron produced an album with eleven songs and continues to perform in the Negev and at University events.

A program to improve physical accessibility for disabled students was implemented. Renovation of older buildings continues. Furniture in the west wing of the Zlotowski Dormitories was replaced. In the rooms not yet renovated, furniture and appliances have been replaced and double rooms have been converted into singles. Washing machines and dryers have been replaced and upgraded in the laundry rooms.

As part of the cooperation between the Beer-Sheva Police Station and BGU, a community police point was inaugurated in the Dalet student dormitories complex, which is staffed with a community police officer.

STUDENT UNION

BGU Student Union's main mission is to enhance student life on all levels – from helping the individual student academically to creating a strong and committed community. This year, the Union has launched a number of new initiatives to provide support for specific audiences while expanding its general ongoing activities.

A new, centrally located office for students who do military reserve duty was inaugurated in the lobby of the Zlotowski Student Center in January. The new office offers upgraded services at a "one-stop" center. Unique in Israel, it provides efficient and high quality services for the thousands of students who do reserve duty during the academic year – including counseling and tutoring services, help with applications to postpone service and to Israel's National Insurance Institute, lending cellular modems to students going on combat duty and more.

The Union has expanded its outreach activities to introduce students to the city of Beer-Sheva and the surrounding communities as part of a greater promotional effort to encourage them to settle in the region. A one-of-a-kind academic course was launched focusing on the different challenges facing the Negev in general and the city of Beer-Sheva in particular. The Union also launched a series of Old City and Negev tours. Paired with sunset hikes in nature, the trips have proven very popular.



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1. Working out in the newly-renovated Sports Center
2. Open Day for potential students
3. The new central computer hall was completed

Sports activities are also on this year's agenda. The number of fun and competitive events has noticeably increased for a wide range of sports, including soccer, basketball, tennis, swimming and ping pong, with an emphasis on encouraging women to participate. A monthly lecture series focusing on topics such as sports and politics, promotion of women in professional sports, Paralympics and more has generated a lot of interest. Studio POSITIVE – a state-of-the-art aerobics and spinning studio – was opened this year, expanding the fitness classes available on the Marcus Family Campus.

The Foreign Relations Office of the Student Union has continued to expand its activities to strengthen the relationship between Israeli and international students. A

special "International Week" highlighted the food and culture of countries from around the world. Thousands of students took part in the various events, which proved to be very successful.

The office launched the BGU International Club (BIC) that organizes regular informal meetings around different events. The American Super Bowl evening is one of their banner events. The newly-created Model UN Club performed well at a number of competitions.

The Union continues to protect students' interests and assist in academic-related questions, organize a wide range of social events – including the annual delegation to Poland "To Remember and Never Forget," the festive and popular annual Purim Carnival – and operate the newly-upgraded "Negative," the Union's on-campus movie theater.

The Union also offers a wide range of orientation activities for new students and services

for all students, including a lending library of textbooks, an "Exam Bank" providing an online pool of graded exams from all departments (these help students to study for their final exams), and a Union Services Office that operates daily and assists students with any queries or needs they might have.

COMPUTATION

The Division of Computing and Information Systems continues to implement new applications and technologies to improve user services and functionality for the entire University community. The University's ability to provide state-of-the-art teaching rooms for computer courses was significantly upgraded with the opening of the Ruth and Heinz-Horst Deichmann Classroom and Computer Lab Building.

A new central computer hall including modernized infrastructure technologies intended to improve the stability of the computing infrastructure and reduce operational costs was created. The complicated task of moving all of the servers to the new facility was completed this year.

The process of moving to a new e-learning platform is proceeding apace, with more than 1,200 courses having been converted from Highlearn to Moodle. A new system for students appealing examination results through the internet was developed and is now in use by four Faculties.

The Kreitman School of Advanced Graduate Studies has designed and is implementing a new management system that will simplify the process of approving dissertation topics and judging for doctoral students.

ZALMAN ARANNE CENTRAL LIBRARY

An unexpected requirement to remove asbestos from part of the building resulted in an ambitious initiative to renovate and reimagine the Zalman Aranne Central Library. This came one year after the main lobby was renovated to include a variety of art and historical exhibition spaces and a Gallery Café.

The current renovation will transform one of the University's oldest and most recognizable buildings into a state-of-the-art research facility where students, faculty and visitors can meet to exchange ideas while accessing a full range of scholarly materials.

Given the centrality of the library to academic endeavor, great efforts were made to continue operation during the six months that it was closed for the removal of the asbestos. Removal complete, the actual renovation of four floors is underway and expected to be completed next year.

The process of digitization continues, including the transfer of a variety of periodicals, journals, books and lectures of renowned scholars and databases. The collections are still being expanded, particularly in the humanities and social sciences.

New state-of-the-art software enables an integrated search of databases and the library catalogue and displays the comprehensive results with a convenient interface, allowing easy access to the materials.

The recruiting and training of young students interested in librarianship and information science continues. This process involves a scholarship while they gain work experience as students and an investment in their training in exchange for a commitment of employment.

A man with short brown hair, wearing a blue short-sleeved button-down shirt and dark blue jeans, is sitting on a black plastic chair in a vineyard. He is smiling at the camera. Behind him is a large, modern, metallic structure with a series of arches, resembling a greenhouse or a covered walkway. The vineyard rows stretch into the distance under bright sunlight.

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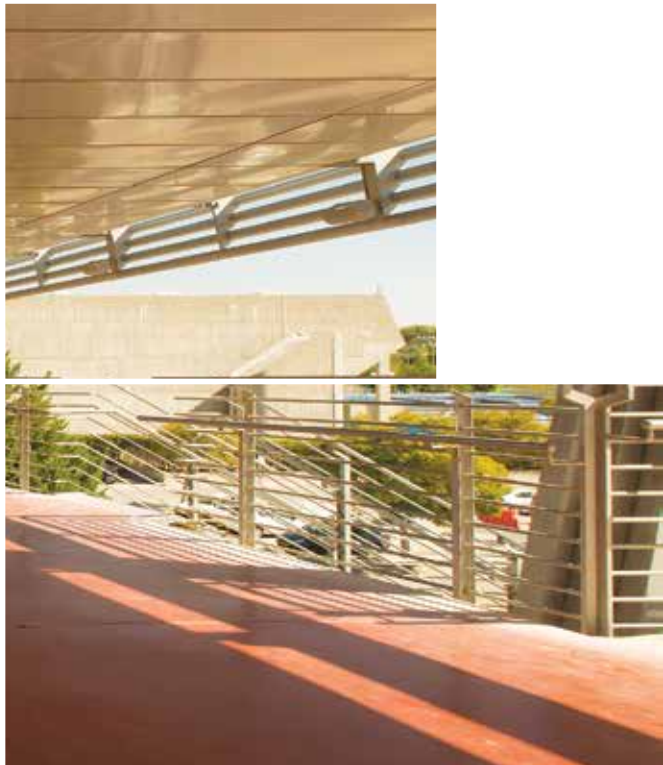


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