

# FIRST INTERNATIONAL 'HIGAYON' CONFERENCE

Jerusalem 29 Tishrei - 1 Heshvan 5753

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7 Iyar 5752  
May 10, 1992

Rabbi Norman Lamm  
Office of the President  
Yeshiva University  
New York, NY 10033

Dear Rabbi Lamm,

We are very pleased that you have tentatively agreed to participate in the First International Higayon Conference on the use of modern concepts for the understanding of Talmudic ideas.

**Honorary Chairman:**  
R. Norman Lamm  
Pres., Yeshiva U.  
R. Emanuel Rackman  
Chancellor, Bar-Ilan U.

The Conference will take place from 29 Tishrei to 1 Cheshvan 5753 (October 26-28, 1992) in the Auditorium of Beit Midrash Letorah in Bayit Vegan, Jerusalem. A special closed session will be held at the estate of Mr. Meir Brachfeld in Motza on the afternoon of the third day.

**Organizing Committee:**  
Moshe Koppel  
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Ezra Rosenfeld  
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There will be a total of about thirty presentations. Each speaker will be allotted 25-30 minutes. (If you feel that this amount of time is inadequate for your lecture, we will allot you extra time; if necessary, we will schedule parallel sessions.)

Because the invited speakers have not yet submitted titles, it is hard at this stage to give a precise picture of the direction the conference will take. The fields of those who have tentatively agreed to attend are distributed roughly evenly among philosophy, economics, science, mathematics and Rabbinics. They include:

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| Rabbanim:    | Norman Lamm (Yeshiva U.), D. Berkovich (Elul),<br>M. Feldblum (Bar-Ilan), N. Rabinovich (Birkat Moshe),<br>S. Spero (Bar-Ilan), N. Taylor (Bar-Ilan), E. Zini (Technion) |
| Philosophy:  | Y. Gellman (Ben-Gurion), A. Sagi (Bar-Ilan), D. Schwartz<br>(Bar-Ilan), Z. Shtinfeld (Bar-Ilan), Y. Silman (Bar-Ilan),<br>M. Steiner (Hebrew U.)                         |
| Mathematics: | Y. Aumann (Hebrew U.), Y. Choueka (Bar-Ilan), G. Ehrlich<br>(Bar-Ilan), S. Epstein (Seton Hall), A. Fraenkel (Weizmann),<br>E. Merzbach (Bar-Ilan)                       |
| Economics:   | S. Gottesman (Columbia), N. Leff (Columbia), A. Levine<br>(Yeshiva U.), Y. Lieberman (Bar-Ilan)  |
| Science:     | M. Kaveh (Bar-Ilan), Z. Mendlowitz (Howard U.),<br>M. Schwartz (Jerusalem Torah College), M. Shprecher<br>(Bar-Ilan)   |

We urge you to confirm your participation in the conference as soon as possible. Please submit a tentative title and a brief abstract. Include any special requests you have regarding the length and timing of your lecture, special equipment, etc.

Sincerely,

Moshe Koppel

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