

Management Committee Meeting 4
The Technion- Israel Institute of Technology, Haifa, Israel
Local Organiser: Prof. Yoram Shiftan
28th – 29th March 2019



Practical Information

Meeting Information

We will meet at the Water Research Institute, located in the Civil and Environmental Faculty of the Technion. See map and travel options below.

Lunch

Buffet Lunch will be served at the Water Research Institute on Thursday 28th March, as well as coffee and snacks. Twenty Euros (20€) in cash will be collected from each MC4 participant at registration upon arrival to cover one lunch, snacks and coffee.

This should be reimbursed through your MC4 COST claim which needs to be **submitted through e-COST by 12th April 2019.**

Optional Dinner and Isfiya Walking Tour on Thursday 28th March

On Thursday evening, after the completion of all sessions, we will have a one hour walking tour with a lecture on the Druze culture in Isfiya, a Druze town located on mount Carmel, a short 25 minute drive from the Technion. Transport will be arranged by the Local Organiser. After the tour, a traditional Druze dinner will be served at a local's home.

The **cost for this optional tour and dinner is forty Euros (40€) per person**, which will be collected in cash. Please let Mrs Shelly Ben Zvi (benzvishelly@gmail.com) **by Sunday 24th March** if you would like to participate in this activity.

Travel Options

Train* to/from Haifa

***Note: No trains are available during the weekend i.e. from Friday early afternoon until Saturday evening.**

This is the preferred option since it is fast and inexpensive. There is a train service from Ben-Gurion airport to Haifa, through Tel-Aviv. The fare should be between 34-40 NIS. Trains run all day Sunday to Thursday. On Fridays trains run until early afternoon, and only in the late evening on Saturdays. You can check the train schedule at: <https://www.rail.co.il/en>. **However, on the week of the training school there may be construction that will shut off the train service from Friday (March 29th) morning to Saturday (March 30th).** The most convenient station for Technion is "Hof HaCarmel", from where you can take bus no. 11, a taxi (see below) or a shuttle (No. 11). If you take bus number 11, get off at "Technion Civil Engineering" which is the closest to the Water Research Institute.

To travel from Haifa to Ben Gurion airport, you may use any of the four main railway stations – Hof HaCarmel Central Bus Station near the beach, Bat Galim by the old bus station, HaShmona (Central) near downtown, and Lev-HaMifratz, near the northern Central bus station. Please note that there is a train service directly to Ben-Gurion Airport (Terminal 3).

Van Service

Another option that operates 24/7 is "AMAL" service shared taxi direct to/from your desired address in Haifa from/to the airport. The cost is 110 NIS, and it operates 24/7, even during weekends and holidays. Book directly with them at +972 (0)4 866 2324 or +972 (0)4 867 6444. Reservations for a pick up to the airport must be made in advance by phone. From Ben Gurion airport to Haifa, there is no need to book in

advance, the vans are waiting right outside the airport terminal. Payment can be made by cash (some cars has the option to pay by card, but not all so please check before boarding). Note please that the COST travel reimbursement rules (see below) need to be followed for all travel claims.

Taxi to Haifa**

There is a taxi stand outside the Ben Gurion airport. The fare for a private taxi to the Technion is about 500 NIS. Ask the driver to operate the meter, and ask him to take you to the main Technion gate. In Haifa, you can call for a taxi to the Technion (referred to as 'special'). City taxi services include: 'Naveh' - Nave Shaanan, Tel: +972 (0)4 822 2222 'Horev' - Tel: +972 (0)4 888 8888 'Carmel' - Carmel Center, Tel: +972 (0)4 838 2626, +972 (0)4 838 2727). Note please that the COST travel reimbursement rules (see below) need to be followed for all travel claims.

****Note:** It is not customary to tip taxi drivers in Israel.

Buses* to Haifa**

*****Note: Buses in Israel do not operate on the weekend i.e. from Friday afternoon until Saturday evening. One exception is some Haifa intercity lines.**

Intercity bus (route 910) runs from Tel-Aviv to the Haifa Hof Hacarmel bus station. Municipal route 11 runs hourly from Haifa Hof Hacarmel into the Technion Campus. For the training school you should get off on the "Technion- Civil Engineering" stop.

"Egged" operates the main bus lines in Haifa. For details of bus routes and schedules call *2800 (from Israel) or +972 (0)3 694 8888. You can also refer to their website at: <http://www.egged.co.il/Eng>

Haifa has two main Bus stations: Lev-HaMifratz', Central Bus Station near the Checkpost intersection (for routes traveling north) 'Hof HaCarmel', Central Bus

Station near the beach (for routes traveling south). Note please that the COST travel reimbursement rules (see below) need to be followed for all travel claims.

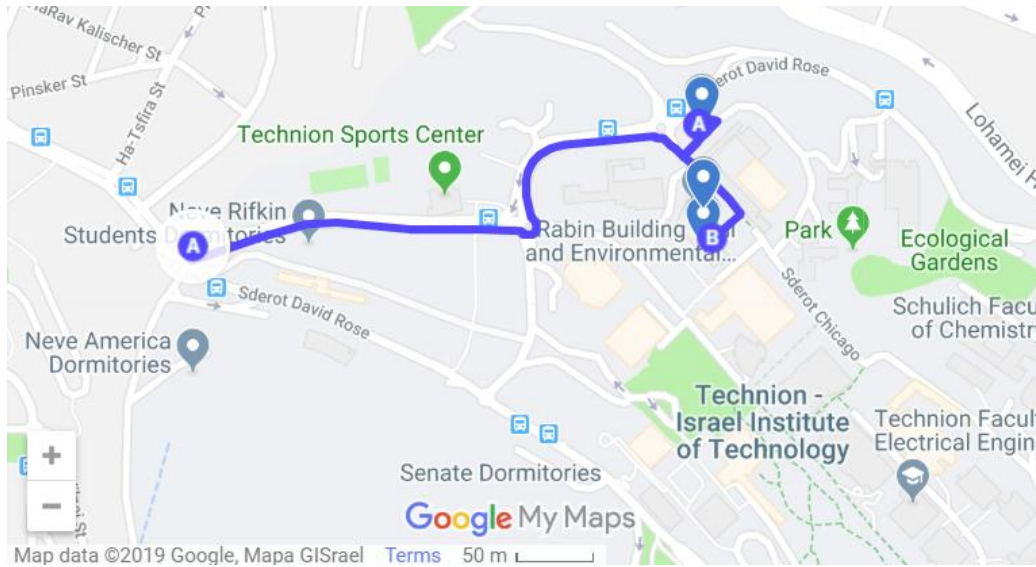
COST travel reimbursement rules

LOCAL TRANSPORT EXPENSES		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Train within 1 country ▪ Bus within 1 country ▪ Metro within 1 country ▪ Shuttle within 1 country 	PUBLIC TRANSPORT < 25 € for the entire duration of the journey	PUBLIC TRANSPORT > 25 € for the entire duration of the journey
	No receipts required	All public transport receipts are required
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Car Travel across border or within 1 country ▪ 0.20€/km when travelling alone ▪ 0.30€/km when travelling with another eligible COST passenger (the driver is NOT a passenger) 	A print out from an online route planner (eg. Google maps, MapQuest, Bing maps, etc) showing the route taken and the number of kilometres travelled (up to max 2000 km round trip).	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Taxi 	Receipt showing date, time, and the amount paid. Limited to up to max 80 € in total for the entire trip if these conditions are met: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ between 22h00 until 07h00 ▪ or when no public transportation available 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Parking 	Receipt including date and time (max one day before the meeting and one day after the meeting)	

Getting to the Water Research Institute

The Water Research Institute is located in the Civil and Environmental Faculty of the Technion. See directions from the Technion main Gate (Neve Sheanan gate) an easy 10-minute walk:

<https://www.google.com/maps/d/viewer?mid=1maV7ZcQtKFBnQTSYwQa4WtU2I8jgTkWx&ll=32.779255003203225%2C35.01935500000002&z=16>



If you take bus number 11, get off at “Technion Civil Engineering” stop.

Campus map

<https://www.technion.ac.il/en/about/map-of-technion-city/>

Contact details

For any queries, please contact the Local Organising Team through Mrs Shelly Ben Zvi: benzvishelly@gmail.com or for COST related queries our GH Manager: Ms Elimary Silva.

Looking forward to seeing you at the Technion!

About the Technion

The Technion - Israel Institute of Technology is a world leading science and technology research university, dedicated to the creation of knowledge and the development of human capital and leadership since it opened its gates in 1912. The Technion is among the top ten universities with the most Nobel prizes awarded since 2000.



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