

The Commonwealth of Israel

Releasing a blessing for the nations

November 3-7, 2018

Ramada Hotel, Jerusalem



Emerging Technologies

Springs out of Israel and
changes the world

Emerging Business & Worklife

New ways of collaboration between
industries, sectors and nations

Emerging Future

Purpose driven, creating eternal values linked to
the Commonwealth of Israel





ICCC VISION

A **worldwide people** who in their **business** and **working lives** are **experiencing the reality** of goals, strategies and plans becoming an outward **manifestation** of an inward walk of **faith**, leading to a **glorious release** of the **Kingdom of God at work**

CONFERENCE PURPOSE

- ☐ Unlock a new Commonwealth process, where Israel steps in to its calling and releasing a blessing to the nations
- ☐ Receive a deeper prophetic understanding of our time and ICCC's calling to serve Israel and the nations through mutual collaboration

CONFERENCE OBJECTIVE

- ☐ Inspire and equip you to reach new heights in your walk of faith in the marketplace as you seek to be a blessing to the world
- ☐ Launch strategic initiatives to stand in the GAP for Israel, spiritually and practically
- ☐ Receive fresh, strong expectation for the future, through the equipping and direction of the Lord. Enabling you to discover His answers for the questions of today.

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Welcome to a very important Conference in Jerusalem, the capital of Israel, and to Tel Aviv, the heart of innovation and future technologies. A new hour has arrived, and Israel is celebrating its 70th anniversary this year. We live in an interesting time. The world is looking for prosperity and wellbeing. The Jewish people, and their country Israel, have always been a dynamic enabler and provider of wealth and blessings. Despite hardship and persecution, such as the holocaust and today's DBS movement*, they have overcome and created astonishing results in business, science and government. Why? The reason is that God called Abraham to be a father of many nations and, because of His faith and obedience, a righteous covenant was signed between God and Abraham, which is the basis for this Conference. In Genesis 12:2-3 it says: **"I will make you a great nation; I will bless you and make your name great; And you shall be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and I will curse him who curses you; And in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed."**

We understand that the Lord keeps His promises and His word will be fulfilled. We will soon see the move of the US Embassy from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem as a sign from heaven. We truly believe that the time has come for the Body of Christ in the nations to stand in the gap for Israel, and serve our nations, so we can better understand the realities and consequences of what it means to be for or against Israel in the future. The Bible talks about sheep and goat nations in Matthew 25: 31-46, describing a judgement over the nations. In Joel 3:1-2 & 14 it speaks about the valley of decision, where God will judge the nations on account of His people Israel.

ICCC believes it is vitally important to stand up for Israel. We wish to do this together with the Body of Christ at large. If the world says NO to Israel we, the Christians, have to say YES! The key issue for Israel is to find God's ways in this hour to become a blessing to the nations in collaboration with Him! If Israel becomes just as any other nation, the Lord will deal with them... In Ezekiel 20: 32 & 35 it says: **"What you have in your mind shall never be, when you say, 'We will be like the Gentiles, like the families in other countries, serving wood and stone'... And I will bring you into the wilderness of the people, and there I will plead My case with you face to face."**

Our hope and prayer for this Conference is that it will be a tool in the hands of the Lord to highlight the message of our times – Israel is a Commonwealth enabler in a new dimension to the ends of the earth! We, the ICCC, strongly believe that our long-standing commitment (since 1991) to Israel and the Jewish people is an essential part of our calling. Our desire to serve this nation with fruitful relationships and business connections with the Christian community around the world is even more important for the future! So, we are dreaming of:

- The Commonwealth of Israel – releasing a blessing to the nations for the days to come,
- A new ambassadorial network of Christians making key decisions together with the Lord in Jerusalem, paving the way for the future,
- A new mutual collaboration between the nations and Israel, especially in the business and working life.

To come to this Conference means being a blessing to Israel and be inspired and equipped in your own walk of faith in the marketplace. The program includes an Israeli government-arranged event, called Arise, with wonderful presentations on relevant topics for today, plus business matchmaking opportunities. We also have an ICCC leaders gathering before the Conference starts, as well as our IGM and/or optional industry or tourist tours after it finishes. Remember, we not only have a common history with the Jewish people, but **we also have a common future!**

Welcome!

Jan Sturesson, *Chairman ICCC International Board*

* The Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions Movement (also known as the BDS Movement) is a global campaign promoting various forms of boycott against Israel.

Program

NOVEMBER 3

10.00-17.00 **ICCC Leaders Day**
(see separate program)

17.00 Conference Registration

19.00 **Conference Opening:**
Welcome and introduction
incl. roll-call of the nations

Worship **Brigitta Veksler & band**

Key note: **The hour has come for ICCC
to serve in a new way – reformation in
practise** (Jan Sturesson, Chairman ICCC International)

NOVEMBER 4

07:30-08.00 Morning prayer

09.00 **Introducing the day and Worship**

09.20 **The Commonwealth of Israel
– Releasing a blessing to the nations**
What does it mean for Israel, the nations and
the body of Christ?

Rick Riding: Founder and leader of Succat Hallel
Calev Meyers: Founder and President of ARISE
– Alliance to Reinforce Israel's Security and Economy

10.45 Coffee

11.15 **Standing up, Scaling up**
– Leveraging the relationships between
Business organisations in the body of Christ
and state of Israel

Speakers:
Minister of trade or ... and Israeli Export and
international Institute leader

*Robert Ilatov, Chairman Knesset Christian
Allies and Israeli Hi-Tech Caucus*
Leaders from different international Christian
business organisations

12.30 Lunch

14.00 **Breakout Sessions:**

1. Understanding Israel – today and future
Ranan Levy: Former Advisor to Ariel Sharon,
Stephen Briggs: Director Hatikvah Films

**2. Learning from entrepreneurs in the
“start up nation”**
Mordechai Wiseman: CEO of First Fruits -tbc

**3. Social media and digital marketing
– opportunity or threat?**
David & Thomas Hansen: Norwegian entrepreneurs

**4. God's YES and solutions to societal
challenges in industries and sectors**

a) **Big brother – Future of technology; .**
Gerhard Rauch: Vice Chairman ICCC International
b) **Future of values – it's impact of every
workplace** *Jan Sturesson*
c) **Agro, food & water – Learning's from
the Garden of Eden** (tba)
d) **Sustainable energy**
Pär-Eric Lantz, ICCC Energy Group Sweden

16.30 Fellowship – Free time

18.00 Dinner

19.30 **Plenary Session:**

Worship **Brigitta Veksler & band**

Taking a stand, as ambassadors, before God
Rick Riding and Ntiense Ubonisrael

NOVEMBER 5

07:30-08.00 Morning prayer

09.00 **Welcome and Worship**

09.15 Key note: **A Commonwealth Future Starts
with Prayer** *Albert Veksler: Director of Jerusalem
Prayer Breakfast Movement*

09.45 **Panel: How do we stand in the GAP for Israel
and Jerusalem?**

Panel speakers:
Jörgen Bühler: Director ICEJ -tbc
*Israel Pochtar: Founder Voice of Judah Israel and
Senior Pastor of In Ashdod*
Rabbai Tuly Weisz, Jerusalem
Dr. Naim Khoury: Co-founder Holy land missions

10.45 Coffee

11.30 **A taste of the Kingdom in business and
working life**
**What is a Transformed Working Life?
– The Purpose & Essence of TWL**
Stephen Gunning: ICCC International Board

12.15 **Vision for the future – 4 inspiring testimonies**

13.15 Lunch

15.00 **Breakout Sessions:**

1. Business Clinic for Israeli Entrepreneurs
– practical and prophetic input from ICCC
Stephen Gunning & Baptiste Lombard,
ICCC International Board

2. Serving the Body of Christ with Transformed Working Life

- a gift from ICCC to all Christian ministries working in Israel (tba)

3. How to make a biblical based business-or life plan - Practical guidance of finding God's Yes! Saku & Susanna Pitkanen, Finland

4. Stand in the GAP in prayer - what does it means in real life Ntiense Ubonisrael

17.00 Free time

18.00 Dinner

19.30 Plenary Session:

Worship Brigitta Veksler & band

"Releasing a blessing from Israel to the nations - Business in the days to come"

Peter Tsukahira: Director of Or HaCarmel Ministry Center, Cofounder of Kehilat HaCarmel and an International Business Consultant

NOVEMBER 6

07.30 Bus transfer to Tel Aviv

ARISE* SUMMIT 2018:

9:00 Opening MC: Calev Myers

9:00 Welcoming Remarks:

Marian Cohen: Chairman of Israel Federation of Bi-National Chambers of Commerce

Jan Sturesson: Chairman of International Christian Chamber of Commerce



10:00 Key note Talks:

MK Gilad Ardan: Minister of Strategic Affairs and Internal Security

Jürgen Buhler: Executive Director of the International Christian Embassy in Jerusalem

Jon Medved: Founder and CEO of OurCrowd, Leading Global Equity Crowdfunding Platform

12:00 Lunch

13:00 Business Matchmaking Sessions and simultaneous Keynotes Talks & Technology Demos by Israeli Experts:

- Virtual Reality and Augmented Reality
- Artificial Intelligence
- Crypto Currencies
- Agro-technologies (water and food)
- Understanding and combatting BDS (Israel Boycott Campaign)
- Investing in Real Estate and Tourism in Israel

17:00 Informal Cocktail Mixer

18.00 Bus returning to Jerusalem or participants stay in Tel Aviv

NOVEMBER 7

08.30 IGM registration

09.00 IGM 2018* or Optional full-day Tours*

13.00 Lunch and Optional half-day Tours*

* Notes for the program

- **ARISE Business Summit 2018** - excellent presentations on relevant topics for today's professional business and working lives (focusing Israeli technologies) and business matchmaking opportunities in parallel. ARISE exists to confront and combat the economic boycott, diplomatic isolation and de-legitimization of ISRAEL. Seeking to mobilize and activate an alliance of friends from around the world who support Israel's right to exist and thrive as a beacon of democracy and stability in the Middle East.

- **IGM 2018 (International General Meeting)**. A members-only meeting. Voting rights apply to non-restricted memberships: one member - one vote. Holder of a restricted membership and/or relatives of an ICCC member are allowed to attend.
- **Optional Tours for November 7:** See details on the next page. Each tour must receive a minimum of 10 pax to happen.

Collaboration partners:



Tour options (minimum of 10 pax for a tour to happen)

Half-day Jerusalem - Old City (USD 88/person)

- Enjoy a panoramic view of Jerusalem & the Old City from the crest of **Mt. of Olives** (Matthew 24:3).
- Drive to **Mt. Zion** to visit the **Room of the Last Supper** that commemorates the "upper room" in which Jesus shared the Last Supper with the disciples. (Luke 22:14-20) and the traditional site of **Tomb of King David**.
- Walk in the Old City to the **Western Wall** "Wailing Wall", the most religious site in the world for the Jewish people. Located in the **Jewish Quarter** of the Old City, it is the western support wall of the Temple Mount. Prayers are either spoken or written down and placed in the cracks of the wall.
- Continue to the **Via Dolorosa** the street within the Old City of Jerusalem, believed to be the path that Jesus walked on the way to his crucifixion. **the Church of the Holy Sepulcher**, containing the last 5 stations, traditionally believed to be the site of **Golgotha** "the place of the skull" where Jesus was crucified, (Matt. 27:33-35; Mark 15:22-25; John 19:17-24).
- The **Garden Tomb** is a rock-cut tomb in Jerusalem, which was unearthed in 1867 and is considered by many Christians to be the site of the burial and resurrection of Jesus
- *If time permits:* Free Time at the **Old City market** provides a unique shopping experience. From spices to ancient artifacts, handmade goods and some of the freshest produce, the market in Jerusalem are certain not to disappoint. If you are taking a break from all the sightseeing or looking to purchase the perfect gift or souvenir from your travels,

Half-day Jerusalem - New City (USD 88/person)

- Visit **Yad Vashem**, Israel's national memorial to the victims of the Holocaust, spend time at the Museum with its Hall of Names, the Children's Memorial and Walk along the Street of the Righteous where Oscar Schindler and many others are memorialized.
- Continue to the **Israel Museum** and visit the **Shrine of the Book**, where the Dead Sea Scrolls the oldest biblical text ever found are housed. Visit the **model of Second Temple** to view Jerusalem as it looked during the time of Jesus.
- Drive by the **Knesset**, The Knesset is the house of representatives (the parliament) of the State of Israel, in which the full range of current opinions are represented. Visit the Knesset **Menorah**, the Menorah (the seven-branch candelabrum) first served as a national symbol, and upon the foundation of the State of Israel, it was chosen as its emblem, to symbolize the continuity and eternity of the Jewish People.

Full day to the north - Tiberias (USD 165/person)

- Take a breathtaking spiritual Galilee journey - sailing on a wooden replica of the famous **boats** that played a key role in Jesus' life in the Sea of Galilee
- Proceed to the **Mt. of Beatitudes** where Jesus preached the "**Sermon on the Mount**" (Matthew 5-7)
- Continue to **Tabgha** - the chapel dedicated to the **multiplication of the loaves and fishes** - (Mark 6:34-44) and the site of **St. Peter's Primacy** where Jesus **bestowed church leadership** upon Peter (John 21:9).
- **Lunch** (on own expense) at one of the region's fine restaurants to taste the local St. Peter's fish
- Visit **Capernaum** "the Town of Jesus" (John 6:24) to walk among the ancient ruins of the **first century synagogue where Jesus preached** (Matthew 4:13-17).
- On the western side of the Sea of Galilee lies **Magdala**, once a prosperous 1st century fishing village Jesus visited often during His ministry (Matthew 9:35; 15:39). Significant archaeological discoveries in the past decade have placed Magdala prominently on the Christian visitor's map.

Full day to the Dead Sea (USD 165/person)

- Drive to the Dead Sea region
- Visit **Qumran**, administrative center of an ascetic Jewish community that flourished between the 2nd century BC and the 1st century AD. Many scholars associate **John the Baptist** with this community and Jesus may have even spent time here. The community members were mostly scribes responsible for the copying and preservation of the **Dead Sea Scrolls**.
- View the ruins of Herod's palace at **Masada**, where the Zealots fled in 70 AD after the fall of Jerusalem in the Jewish Great Revolt against Rome. Ascend by cable car up to the summit to explore the palace remains as well as cisterns, vast food stores, Mikvot [ritual baths] and the synagogue built by the Zealots as well as the remains of a sixth century Byzantine church.
- Stop for overview at **Ein Gedi**, where **David** hid in a cave when running from Saul (1 Samuel 23) and may have composed several of his Psalms.
- Enjoy a visit to the **AHAVA factory** that produces healing and rejuvenating products made from the Dead Sea mineral
- One of the most unique experiences the Dead Sea has to offer **floating in the Dead Sea!** It's a must do on your list! Just lay back, relax and enjoy.
- Return to Jerusalem.

Registration and Fees

Registration

You register for the conference via our website at <https://www.icccevent.com>

For those of you needing a visa to travel to Israel we urge you to **start the visa application process now**.

Fee structure and Participation Packages

All packages below include participation, meals, coffees and bus transfers according to the program.

Fees are applicable per person.

	Before June 15	Before July 30	From Aug 1
Participation Only Package , per person	USD 700	USD 750	USD 800
Participation & Shared Room* Package , per person	USD 920	USD 970	USD 1030
Participation & Single Room* Package , per person	USD 1,190	USD 1,240	USD 1,290

***Note:** Due to the limited number of rooms available at the hotel, many will need to make their own accommodation plans. Accommodation Packages above will be offered on a first come-first served basis.

Cancellation Policy

Cancellations without penalty before October 1st. Thereafter a cancellation fee will be charged of EUR 250/person. No refund after November 1.

Business Matchmaking and Networking



ALLIANCE TO REINFORCE
ISRAEL'S SECURITY & ECONOMY

ARISE Business Summit 2018

On November 6 we will join with the whole conference in a special business event in Tel Aviv offering the opportunity to participate in a strategic business activity supporting creation of jobs by increasing import and export for the Israeli business community. During this day you will be offered a number of relevant and informative seminars with keynote speakers and panel discussions, as well as specific business matchmaking opportunities to suit your own requirements (where possible). Chartered busses will take us all there in the morning of the 6th, from the venue and arrive back in the evening.

For those participating in the special Matchmaking a questionnaire will be provided to assist in setting up relevant business meetings, according to your preferences.

Venue & Accommodation

Venue

The Conference will be held at the Ramada Jerusalem Hotel.

Address: Ruppin Bridge at Herzl Boulevard Jerusalem 91033

Website: <http://jerusalemramadahotel.com/en/>

Accommodation

The accommodation packages available will be within walking distance 3 minutes from the Conference Hall.

For those making your own hotel arrangements we may suggest finding your best option via any of the major online booking sites (ie. Airbnb.com, trivago.com or similar).

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