



**Celebrating Darwin's Legacy  
The 7th Darwin Day Symposium  
February 12, 2023**

**Life under Changing Environments  
In Memory of Professor Leon Blaustein**



**Multi Purpose Building, Safdie Hall, University of Haifa**

<b>08:30-09:00</b>		<b>Gathering and Registration</b>
	<b>Opening and Greetings</b>	<b>Ron Robin, President</b>
<b>09:00 – 09:30</b>	<b>Scholarship Ceremony</b>	<b>Mouna Maroun, Vice President for Research And Development; Ofir Alon, Dean of Natural Sciences</b>
	<b>Jonathan Blaustein</b>	<b>Family representative</b>
<b>09:30-10:00</b>	<b>Alan Templeton</b>	<b>Life on the Edge: core versus peripheral populations</b>
<b>10:00-10:15</b>	<b>Nir Sapir</b>	<b>Aeroecology - how aerial flyers respond to their dynamic environment</b>
<b>10:15- 10:30</b>	<b>Alon Silberbush</b>	<b>Can a changing environment affect habitat selection? A case study with mosquitoes and fish</b>
<b>10:30-10:45</b>	<b>Olga Rybak</b>	<b>Long term monitoring and conservation of Near Eastern Fire salamander populations in Haifa</b>
<b>10:45-11:15</b>		<b>Coffee break</b>
<b>11:15-11:45</b>	<b>Arik Kershenbaum</b>	<b>Ecosystem complexity on other planets</b>
<b>11:45-12:00</b>	<b>Moshe Kiflawi</b>	<b>Cleaner wrasse and the biological-market task - a comparison of natural and experimental settings</b>
<b>12:00-12:15</b>	<b>Lior Blank</b>	<b>Population responses to environmental conditions- ecological and evolutionary insights from the Fire salamander and the tumble pigweed</b>
<b>12:15-12:30</b>	<b>Adi Barash</b>	<b>Sharks, ocean warning, and coastal development</b>
<b>12:30-12:45</b>	<b>Bracha Y. Schindler</b>	<b>Effects of microhabitat heterogeneity on green roof communities</b>
<b>12:45-13:00</b>	<b>Asaf Sadeh</b>	<b>Bedrock may dictate the distribution of the fire salamander in the southern border of its global range</b>
<b>13:00-14:00</b>		<b>Lunch</b>
<b>14:00-14:30</b>	<b>Burt Kotler</b>	<b>Plato's cave: predator-prey foraging games and the landscape of fear</b>
<b>14:30-14:45</b>	<b>Ofer Ovadia</b>	<b>Consequences of seasonal fires on the aboveground-belowground communities of plants and fungi in eastern Mediterranean woodlands</b>
<b>14:45-15:00</b>	<b>Shirli Bar David</b>	<b>Water resources in a changing environment: potential impact on population genetics of Fire salamander and Asiatic wild ass</b>
<b>15:00-15:20</b>	<b>Tamar Dayan</b>	<b>TBA</b>
<b>15:20-15:40</b>		<b>Coffee break</b>
<b>15:40-16:10</b>	<b>Maxim Rubin Blum</b>	<b>Brine pools are hotspots of productivity and biotic interactions in the deep sea</b>
<b>16:10-16:25</b>	<b>Dani Tchernov</b>	<b>Sperm whale communication - a novel approach</b>
<b>16:25</b>	<b>Alan Templeton</b>	<b>Closing</b>