



2026 Ackerman Family Center Conference

May 14, 2026, Bar-Ilan University, Weisfeld Hall, Feldman building (301)

09:00-09:30	Gathering
09:30-11:00	<p>Session 1</p> <p>Greetings: Prof. Galit Nahari, Dean, Faculty of Social Science Prof. Guy Kaplanski, Head of the School of Business Administration</p> <p>Session Chair: Asaf Eckstein, (Hebrew University)</p> <p><i>From Iran to Taylor Swift: Informed Trading in Prediction Markets</i> Moran Ofir (University of Haifa), Joshua Mitts (Columbia Law School)</p> <p><i>Do compliance monitors provide net benefits to firms? Evidence from bribery scandals</i> Dan Amiram (Tel-Aviv University), Claudia Marangoni (Tilburg University), Igor Goncharov (Lancaster University)</p> <p>Coffee</p>
11:00-11:20	
11:20-12:40	<p>Session 2</p> <p>Session Chair: Galla Salganik-Shoshan, Ben-Gurion University</p> <p><i>When Courts Check Controllers: The Market and Contracting Effects of Toretta v. Musk</i> Yaniv Grinstein (Reichman University and Cornell), Jin Hee Lee (Cornell)</p> <p><i>Generative AI for Central Bank Statements: Large Language Models as Monetary Policy Forecasters</i> Alon Raviv (Bar-Ilan University), Jens Hilscher (University of California, Davis), Yevgeny Mugeran (Bar-Ilan University)</p>
12:40 – 13:40	Lunch
13:40 – 15:00	<p>Session 3</p> <p>Session Chair: Ruth Rooz Stern, Ariel University</p> <p><i>Does Board Gender Diversity Temper SEC Enforcement?</i> Miriam Schwartz-Ziv (Hebrew University), Yang Bai (California State University), Fred Bereskin (University of Missouri), Xiaohu Guo (College of Charleston)</p> <p><i>Pricing Climate Ambiguity</i> Yehuda Izhakian (Baruch College), Francesco Rocciolo (Nazarbayev University), Monica Billio (Ca' Foscari University of Venice), Massimo Guidolin (Bocconi University)</p>



15:00-15:10 Coffee

15:10-16:30

Session 4

Session Chair: Orly Sade (Hebrew University)

*When Do Mortgage Advisors Add Value? State-Dependent Effects on
Mortgage Credit Spreads and Contract Design*

Yevgeny Mugerman (Bar-Ilan University), Mordechai Ilan (Bar-Ilan University)

*Should I Stay or Should I Go? Dual Deregulation and the IPO Decision under
the JOBS Act*

Heyl-el Biton (Hebrew University), Benjamin Segal (Fordham University)

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