Bees in the Service of Food Security: Challenging the Crisis

A Manna Center Program for Food Safety & Security Symposium, in partnership with TAU Botanical Garden and the Porter School of Environmental Studies

8:30 Gathering
9:00 Opening remarks:
   - Prof. Nir Ohad, Head, Manna Center Program for Food Safety & Security
   - Prof. Danny Chamovitz, Dean, George S. Wise Faculty of Life Sciences
   - Prof. Dan Rabinowitz, Head, The Porter School of Environmental Studies
   - Dr. Yuval Sapir, Director, TAU Botanical Garden

9:30 Session 1: Overview: Bees and crop pollination from global and local perspectives
   Chair: Prof. Dan Eisikowitch
   - Prof. Peter Kevan (Guelph University, Canada) – Crop pollination by bees, global overview
   - Dr. Arnon Dag (Volcani Center, ARO) - To bee or not to bee: The importance of managed bees for the Israeli agriculture

11:30 Coffee Break

12:00 Session 3: Walk on the Wild Side: Alternatives for Honeybee Pollination
   Chair: Dr. Yuval Sapir
   - Dr. Yael Mandelik (HUJI) – Overview: Pollination by wild bees
   - Dr. Gidi Pisanty (TAU) – Israeli wild bees
   - Dr. Ariella Gotlib (Volcani Center, ARO) – Effects of agriculture on bees

13:20 Session 4: Broad Spectrum of Pollination, Panel Discussion
   Chair: Prof. Peter Kevan
   - Dr. Yael Mandelik (HUJI)
   - Shimon Steinberg (BioBee)
   - Dr. Arnon Dag (Volcani Center, ARO)

14:00 Light lunch
14:30 Bee-Focused tour in the Botanical Garden