

Information & the Cognitive Sciences Workshop

Monday 29th June 2015

The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Giv'at Ram Campus Belgium House, Library

09:15-09:30

Welcome Notes

09:30-10:30

Keynote Lecture

Andrea Scarantino, Georgia State University Probabilistic Information: A Brief History and a **New Theory**

Chair: Nir Fresco, The Hebrew University of

Jerusalem

10:30-11:30

Marius Usher, Tel Aviv University From Mutual Information and Bayesian decision models to Mental Representations (and Misrepresentation)

Chair: Amir Horowitz, The Open University of Israel

11:30-12:00 - Coffee Break

12:00-13:00

Ehud Ahissar, Weizmann Institute of Science Perception as an organism-environment closed-loop process

Chair: Arnon Levy, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

13:00-14:00 - Lunch Break



14:00-15:00

Nir Fresco, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

& Eva Jablonka, Tel Aviv University Functional Information and Selection in Learning and Communication.

Chair: Olla Solomyak, The Van Leer Institute

15:00-16:00

Oren Shriki, Ben Gurion University How Sensory Deprivation and High Plasticity may lead to Hallucinations and Synaesthesia: An information theoretic perspective Chair: Itzhak Aharon (Gingi), Interdisciplinary Center Herzliya

16:00-16:30 - Coffee Break

16:30-17:30

Naftali Tishby, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem Predictive Information and the Emergence of Cognitive Hierarchies Chair: Benjamin D. Young, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

17:30-17:45 - General Q&A Session & **Workshop Conclusion**