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**Academic seminar**

**18<sup>th</sup> April 2013**

**University of Zagreb**

Invitation to academic seminar:

**"Excellence in education: a motor for research and innovation"**

Embassy of the State of Israel in cooperation with the Agency for science and higher education and BICRO is hosting academic seminar titled "**Excellence in education: a motor for research and innovation**", under the auspice of the President of Croatia, dr. Ivo Josipović.

The Seminar shall be held on **18<sup>th</sup> April 2013** at the premises of the **University of Zagreb**, Trg maršala Tita 14. **The seminar will start at 10.30**. Entrance is **free of charge**.

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Among Croatian academic lecturers, the Seminar will host four prominent lecturers from Israel



**Distinguish professor Dan Shechtman**

Technion University

**Nobel Prize laureate in Chemistry 2011.**



**Dr. Naomi Gafni**

Director of research and development

National Institute for Testing and Evaluation.



**Mr. Arnon Ikan**

Director of the Israel Centre for Excellence through Education



**Dr. Eli Opper**

former Chief Scientist

Chairman of Eureka

Partner at Giza Venture Capital, the largest VC firm in Israel

# MAKROEKONOMSKI POKAZATELJI MACROECONOMY DATA HRVATSKA / CROATIA 2012

BDP realne stope rasta za 2012 –1.7%

Bruto domaći proizvod po stanovniku 2011. EUR 10 469 (3)

Bruto inozemni dug RH, mil. EUR 45.733,6

Prosječna mjeseca isplaćena neto plaća 2012., HRK 5 424

Prosječna mjeseca bruto plaća 2012., HRK 7 794

Indeks potrošačkih cijena 2012/2011 102,6

Pokrivenost uvoza izvozom (prvih 7 mjeseci 2012) je 56.8%

Uvoz po glavi stanovnika 2010 USD 4 782

Izvoz po glavi stanovnika 2010 USD 2 258

Stopa nezaposlenosti 17,7%

Prosječna godišnja stopa inflacije u 2012 iznosi 3,2%

Prosječni godišnji tečaj 2012, HRK/EUR 7,426 te HRK/USD 5,787

3) Podatak je privremen (zbroj tromjesečnih podataka).

4) Izvor: Hrvatska narodna banka

GDP 2010 real growth rates in 2012 –1.7%

Gross domestic product per capita, 2011, EUR 10 3469<sup>(3)</sup>

Gross external debt, mil. EUR 45.733,6

Average monthly paid off net earning, 2011, HRK 5 424

Average monthly gross earning, 2012, HRK 7 794

Consumer price index, 2012/2011 102,6

Coverage of import by export, (first 7 months of 2012) was 56.8 %

Import per capita, 2010 US \$ 4 782

Export per capita, 2010 US \$ 2 258

Unemployment rate 17,7%

Average year-on-year inflation rate in 2012 is 3,2%

Average annual exchange rate, 2012, HRK/EUR 7,426 and HRK/USD 5,787



3) Data is provisional (sum of quarterly data)

4) Source: the Croatian National Bank

## Croatia's Rating (Long term borrowing)

### Foreign currency

Agency	Rank	Trend
Fitch Ratings	BBB-	Stable
Moody's	Baa3	Negative

### Domestic currency

Rank	Trend
BBB	Stable
Baa3	Negative

## POSEBNA NAJAVA / IN HIGHLIGHT

**ISDEF**  
**THE INTERNATIONAL DEFENCE & HLS EXPO**

6th International Defence and Security Exhibition will take place in Tel Aviv from 4th till 6th June, 2013

List of exhibitors, program, lectures and events as well as registration is available via

[www.isdefexpo.com](http://www.isdefexpo.com)

# NAJAVE SAJMOVA I DOGAĐANJA U IZRAELU / ANNOUNCEMENT OF FAIRS AND EVENTS IN ISRAEL



## IZRAEL/ISRAEL

	2011	2011 Q3	2011 Q4	2012 Q1	*2012 Q2
<b>GDP</b>					
Real GDP growth	4.7%	3.3%	3.2%	2.9%	-
GDP per capita growth	2.8%	1.4%	1.1%	1.1%	-
<b>Consumption</b>					
Private consumption	1.4%	-0.2%	0.8%	-0.8%	-
Public consumption	2.2%	0.9%	2.6%	8.5%	-
<b>Trade</b>					
Exports of goods and services	4.8%	11.7%	-9.8%	-7.0%	-
Imports of goods and services	10.6%	14.1%	-8.8%	-5.2%	-
<b>Investments</b>					
Gross domestic capital formation	1.9%	0.5%	23.7%	3.2%	-
Net foreign investments in Israel (\$B)	7.8	5.6	-2.0	-1.1	-
Net foreign direct investments (\$B)	11.4	2.0	2.6	4.7	-
<b>Labor Market</b>					
Unemployment	7.0%	7.0%	6.8%	6.7%	7.1%
Participation rate	62.6%	62.6%	62.5%	62.6%	63.7%

\*Labor Market Data Relevant for April 2012

	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
<b>Balances</b>					
Current account surplus (% of GDP)	2.9%	0.9%	3.6%	2.9%	0.1%
Gross public debt (% of GDP)	77.8%	77.1%	79.3%	76.3%	74.7%
Budget deficit (% of GDP)	0.0%	2.2%	5.2%	3.7%	0.0%

	Sep-2011	Oct-2011	Nov-2011	Dec-2011	Jan-2012	Feb-2012	Mar-2012	Apr-2012	May-2012	Jun-2012
<b>Monetary</b>										
Consumer Price Index	104.2	103.7	104.0	104.0	104.0	104.0	104.4	105.3	105.3	---
Bank of Israel interest rate	3.25%	3.00%	3.00%	2.75%	2.75%	2.50%	2.50%	2.50%	2.50%	2.25%

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# SAJMOVI I DOGAĐANJA / FAIRS AND EVENTS

## U HRVATSKOJ

- **Telecom** - 9. regionalna konferencija o elektroničkim komunikacijama, 21. i 22. ožujka, 2013, Zagreb [www.infoarena.hr](http://www.infoarena.hr)
- **Innet Forum** - inovativni projekti i tvrtke, inovacije u području obnovljivih izvora energije, 5.i 6. travnja, 2013 Slavonski Brod [www.ra-sb.hr](http://www.ra-sb.hr)
- **Interklima, Graditeljstvo, Obrtništvo** - od 9-13.travnja, 2013, Zagrebački Velesajam [www.zv.hr](http://www.zv.hr)
- **Tržiste nekretnina u Hrvatskoj** - 9 godišnja konferencija, 9-10. travnja, 2013, Zagreb, [www.filipovic-advisory.com](http://www.filipovic-advisory.com)
- **Financijska industrija** - konferencija bankarskog sektora, 15-17. travnja, 2013 u Zagrebu [www.infoarena.hr](http://www.infoarena.hr)
- **Rexpo 2013** - Investicijski projekti i komercijalne nekretnine za Jadransku regiju, 17. i 18. travnja, 2013 u Zagrebu, [www.rexpo.hr](http://www.rexpo.hr)
- **Adriatic Boat Show** - brodovi, oprema, marine, charter tvrtke, od 9-12. svibnja, 2013 u Šibeniku [www.adriaticboatshow.com](http://www.adriaticboatshow.com)

## U IZRAELU

- **Analiza** - međunarodna izložba laboratorijske i biotehnološke opreme, 30.4 - 2.5. 2013, Tel Aviv [www.stier.co.il](http://www.stier.co.il)
- **IsraChem Expo** - metalna industrija, plin i tekući materijali, oprema za rukovanje, 30.4-2.5. 2013, Tel Aviv [www.stier.co.il](http://www.stier.co.il)
- **Biomed** - međunarodni "life science" i tehnološki tjedan, 20-22.5. 2013, Tel Aviv [www2.kenes.com/biomed](http://www2.kenes.com/biomed)
- **ISDEF** - 6.međunarodni sajam obrane i domovinske sigurnosti, 4-6.06.2013 u Tel Avivu [www.isdefexpo.com](http://www.isdefexpo.com)
- **Agro Mashov** - međunarodni poljoprivredni sajam, 11-12.6. 2013, Tel Aviv [www.agromashovgroup.net](http://www.agromashovgroup.net)
- **Technologies Hi-Tech** - sajam elektronike i hi-tech industrije, 18-20. 6. 2013, Tel Aviv [www.fairs.co.il](http://www.fairs.co.il)

## IN CROATIA

- **Telecom** - 9th regional conference on electronic communications, 21st and 22nd March, 2013 in Zagreb, [www.infoarena.hr](http://www.infoarena.hr)
- **Innet Forum** - innovative projects and companies, innovations in renewable energz, 5th and 6th April 2013, Slavonski Brod [www.ra-sb.hr](http://www.ra-sb.hr)
- **Interklima, Construction, Trade&Craft** - 9th till 13th April, 2013, Zagreb Fair [www.zv.hr](http://www.zv.hr)
- **Real Estate market in Croatia** - 9th Annual Conference, 9th and 10th April, 2013 [www.filipovic-advisory.com](http://www.filipovic-advisory.com)
- **Financial Industry** - banking industry conference, 15th till 17th April, 2013 in Zagreb, [www.infoarena.hr](http://www.infoarena.hr)
- **Rexpo 2013** - Investment projects and commercial real estate for Adriatic Region, 17th and 18th April, 2013 in Zagreb [www.rexpo.hr](http://www.rexpo.hr)
- **Adriatic Boat Show** - ships, equipment, marines, charter companies, 9th till 12th May, 2013 in Sibenik [www.adriaticboatshow.com](http://www.adriaticboatshow.com)

## IN ISRAEL

- **Analiza** - international lab equipment and biotechnology exhibition, 30.4-2.5. 2013, Tel Aviv [www.stier.co.il](http://www.stier.co.il)
- **IsraChem Expo** - metal industry, chemicals, gas&liquid material, handling equipment 30.4-2.5.2013, Tel Aviv [www.stier.co.il](http://www.stier.co.il)
- **Biomed** - national life science&technology week, 20-22nd May, 2013 Tel Aviv [www2.kenes.com/biomed](http://www2.kenes.com/biomed)
- **ISDEF** - 6th International Defence and Security Exhibition, 4-6th June, 2013 in Tel Aviv [www.isdefexpo.com](http://www.isdefexpo.com)
- **Agro Mashov** - International Agriculture Fair, 11-12th June, 2013 in Tel Aviv [www.agromashovgroup.net](http://www.agromashovgroup.net)
- **Technologies Hi-Tech** - electronic and hi-tech industries expo, 18-20th June 2013, Tel Aviv [www.fairs.co.il](http://www.fairs.co.il)

## SEMINARI I EDUKACIJE U IZRAELU/SEMINARS AND PROGRAMS IN ISRAEL

- Edukacija na temu "**Water Management**" od 03.06. do 27.06. 2013. Rok za prijavu je 01.svibnja, 2013 / Education programe "Water Management" from 3rd till 27th June 2013. Application deadline is 1st May, 2013.
- Edukacija na temu "**Early Childhood Education for Children with Special Needs**" od 09.04. do 03.05. 2013. Rok za prijavu je 15. veljače, 2013 / Education programe "Early Childhood Education for Children with Special Needs" from 9th April till 3rd May 2013. Application deadline is 15th February 2013.
- "**Renewable energy as catalyst for Regional Development**" edukacija u Izraelu održati će se od 20.05 do 05.06. 2013 godine. Rok za prijavu je 20. ožujka, 2013 godine / "Renewable energy as catalyst for Regional Development" program shall be held in Isrel from 20th May till 5th June 2013. Application deadline is 20th March, 2013.
- Edukacija na temu "**Climate change and Agriculture**" od 27.05 do 07.06.2013 godine. /Program on "Climate change and Agriculture" shall be held from 27th May till 7th June 2013.

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