



CEO of the Tel-Aviv Stock Exchange to Ring The NASDAQ Stock Market Opening Bell to Commence the 5th TASE and NASDAQ Investor Conference at NASDAQ MarketSite

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What:

Ester Levanon, Chief Executive Officer of the Tel-Aviv Stock Exchange will preside over The NASDAQ Stock Market Opening Bell to officially commence the 5th TASE and NASDAQ Investor Conference which will take place at the NASDAQ MarketSite in Times Square on May 17.

NASDAQ leads U.S. exchanges in Israeli listings with 59 companies listed on The NASDAQ Stock Market.

Attending companies include:

- Itamar Medical
- Protalix Biotherapeutics
- Compugen
- Aposense
- Pluristem Therapeutics
- Evogene
- Clal Biotechnology Industries
- BioLineRx
- Prolor Biotech
- PhotomMedex

Where:

NASDAQ MarketSite — 4 Times Square — 43rd & Broadway — Broadcast Studio

When:

Thursday, May 17, 2012 — 9:15 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. ET

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Webcast:

A live webcast of the NASDAQ Opening Bell will be available at:

<http://www.nasdaq.com/about/marketsitetowervideo.asx>.

Photos:

To obtain a hi-resolution photograph of the Market Open, please go to

http://www.nasdaq.com/reference/marketsite_events.stm and click on the market open of your choice.

About TASE:

Established in September 1935, the Tel-Aviv Stock Exchange is Israel's sole stock exchange, offering an increasingly sophisticated range of products to investors, including equity, corporate bonds, treasury bills and notes, index products and derivatives. The Tel-Aviv Stock Exchange features in April 2012: 574 companies listing equities, 433 index-tracking products, 34 series of government bonds, 670 series of corporate bonds and 1,262 mutual funds. As of April 2012, the exchange's market capitalization in equities was about US\$ 171 billion. In recent years, the exchange has enhanced its international presence, signing Memorandums of Understanding with the London Stock Exchange, NASDAQ, the Shanghai Stock Exchange, Toronto Stock Exchange and NYSE-Euronext.

About NASDAQ OMX:

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