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THE JERUSALEM DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

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A User-Friendly Guide
around the Jerusalem
innovation scene



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Welcome to Jerusalem

The future of the Startup Nation!

The Jerusalem Development Authority (JDA) is a statutory authority established by law in 1988. The JDA's functions include: Initiating, planning, and encouraging actions for the economic development of Jerusalem

Jerusalem, the beating heart of the Startup Nation, drives the next stage of growth for high-tech companies in Israel. The JDA has established a specialized team focused solely on supporting companies as they grow and thrive in the city. The team's mission is to facilitate development, expand quality employment opportunities, and nurture the tech ecosphere, offering a significant advantage to businesses who choose Jerusalem as their base of operations.

Over the past decade, Jerusalem has evolved into a hub for high tech

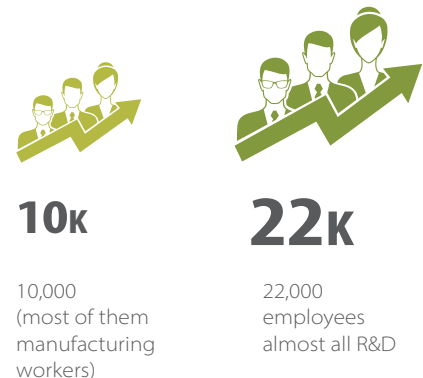
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COMPANIES



JOBS



RAFAEL

FREIGHTOS

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ORCAM

Apple

mobileye
An Intel Company

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Welcome to Jerusalem's High-Tech Hubs and Clusters!

Jerusalem offers dynamic accelerators, incubators, and inspirational coworking spaces such as WeWork.

These programs have a wide remit and support recent grads and ultra-Orthodox entrepreneurs, while supporting specialized sectors such as biotech or assistive tech. You can access top-notch mentorship for your venture or enjoy a flexible workspace. Collaborate, innovate, and bring your ideas to life in Jerusalem's thriving high-tech ecosystem.

Join us and experience the potential of the Startup Nation's capital city!

Academic



Hospitals



Other



Jerusalem is home to several of Israel's leading venture capital funds!



Hundreds of millions are invested by some of the top VCs annually, in Jerusalem-based companies.

Companies seeking seed-stage funding can take advantage of venture capital funds that invest solely in Jerusalem-based companies.

Get in touch with us. We'd love to connect you with the VC that is right for you!

Jerusalem is the city of infinite potential—the place where challenges are routinely transformed into opportunities. Jerusalem owes its dynamic essence to its people, who embody a harmonious blend of creativity, values, and an unwavering drive for progress.

This unique combination of attributes, rooted in a deep respect for the past and a relentless pursuit of the future, enables Jerusalem-based firms to generate groundbreaking ideas and innovations.

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.fund

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VENTURE PARTNERS

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Establishing Creative Industry-Academia Relationships



Jerusalem's thriving tech industry owes much of its success to the city's many academic institutions.

The Academia City Project, initiated by the JDA, plays a key role in connecting local academic institutions with knowledge-rich industries, frequently organizing conferences on current tech topics to create an environment that encourages collaboration and innovation between the accelerators embedded in Jerusalem's academic institutions, fostering cooperation with leading researchers and industry partners in the area.



Bezalel
The new Jerusalem campus has already begun to revitalize the city center, transforming it into a hub of student life and culture.

Hebrew University
Additional laboratories and infrastructure will increase the number of students in the Electrical Engineering and Computer Science program.

Azrieli College
Azrieli College has added a new study track, a B.Sc. in Civil Engineering.

 **20+**

With over 20 educational institutions

 **46,000+**

and over 46,000 students

Jerusalem is the city with the largest number of institutions and students in Israel.





Discover the Growth of the Biotech Industry in Jerusalem!

Welcome to Jerusalem, the vibrant hub of the biotech sector!

The ancient city has transformed itself into a major player in the life sciences with a number of sites established around the city that offer a range of facilities, according to the needs of the companies who call Jerusalem home. Anchored by the Hebrew University, Israel's largest research university, Jerusalem's biotech ecosystem is flourishing. With two renowned research hospitals and 200+ biotech firms, Jerusalem boasts the highest density of life sciences in Israel.



The Jerusalem Development Authority (JDA) established BioJerusalem to support the life sciences industry in Jerusalem by providing a one-stop center for entrepreneurs, companies, and investors. BioJerusalem offers economic benefits, helps find research labs and office space, and facilitates connections between academia, industry, and local government.



HUJI's core facilities

- Center for Genomic Technologies • Bio-Imaging Unit
- Protein Production Unit • Nanotechnology Center
- Authority for Biological and Biomedical Models



Clinical research innovation and data center technology commercialization



Har Hotzvim Hi-Tech Park

Is a leading hub for Israeli high-tech companies, hosting major international and Israeli companies, including: Intel, Mobileye, and OrCam.

The park also hosts small and medium-sized high-tech startup companies and a technological incubator.





Community

Nurturing the Jerusalem technology community

The tech community in Jerusalem is a thriving and dynamic force that drives the city's growth and success. With its "Only in Jerusalem" atmosphere, combining diversity, intercultural communication and the spirit of entrepreneurship, the community is an excellent resource for entrepreneurs and innovators looking to connect with like-minded individuals.

From networking events to inspirational meetups, brainstorming hackathons, and global tech conferences, Jerusalem's tech community is constantly abuzz with activity.

By creating and maintaining connections between businesses, academia, and industry, JDA is fostering a dynamic, thriving tech community in the city.



MadeInJLM - a non-profit organization, plays a vital role in fostering Jerusalem's tech and startup ecosystem, bringing together entrepreneurs, startups, R&D centers, service providers, investors, accelerators, and academic institutions in the city. As an independent grassroots association, MadeInJLM propels Jerusalem's growth as a prominent global economic and business hub, driven by the forces of entrepreneurship, technology, and innovation.



QueenB's - core mission is to encourage girls and women to have confidence in their own abilities. At the heart of their efforts is a mentorship and training program where computer science students mentor and teach middle-school girls the art of coding



HujiHackthon is an annual hackathon where Jerusalem's tech student gather to build stuff revolving around a central theme, hosted by the Hebrew University of Jerusalem.



Pico Kids - an after-school program designed to empower children and youth in the fields of science, technology, and social entrepreneurship. Through experiential learning and cutting-edge technologies, PICO Kids cultivates a lively community where students are exposed to a diverse range of subjects, creating a collaborative and inspiring environment



Fem Forward creates a broad community of female entrepreneurs and techies in Jerusalem. By addressing relevant topics, it helps advance women in tech careers.



JerusML brings together experts from industry and academy in the fields of data science, machine learning and deep learning, with the goal of empowering the AI and data science community in Jerusalem.



JLM-BioCity is a nonprofit organization focused on developing Jerusalem's bio-community. Activities include a networking platform, fundraising opportunities, investing in bio-community students and more.



JLMedathon is a one-of-a-kind hackathon held in Jerusalem which focuses on finding solutions and developing technologies to improve health care, in Israel and globally, while contributing to the development of the med-tech field in Jerusalem.



Nucleate is a student-led organization that represents the largest global community of biotech innovators. The Jerusalem regional chapter, Nucleate HUJI, connects innovators, supports biotechnology, innovation and initiative among students in the region, fostering a strong local ecosystem..



Huji Pulse connects students to Jerusalem's biotech industry, equipping them with skills and unlocking their potential for career success in the booming biomed field.

THE FUTURE IS HERE



The Jerusalem Development Authority (JDA) has established an innovation center network, linking academic institutions and hospitals in Jerusalem. The JDA continues to enhance urban infrastructure, creating an environment conducive to a strong local business community.

The JDA plays a crucial part in promoting the improvement of Jerusalem's transportation infrastructure, and remains at the forefront of developing new light rail lines and the high-speed railway that links Israel's capital with Tel Aviv.

The upcoming Jerusalem Innovation District mega-project is set to revolutionize the city's high-tech scene, prioritizing inter-institutional collaborations in research and technological development, public space development and high-tech employment, further solidifying Jerusalem's position as a dynamic hub of innovation.

Jerusalem Innovation District main institutions:



Hebrew University - Givat Ram Campus



Lev Academic Center



The Azrieli College of Engineering



Shaare Zedek Medical Center

1 Begin Boulevard Covering Plan

4 Habitus - A Future Hub for Sustainability Entrepreneurs at the Jerusalem Botanical Gardens

7 Urban Renewal (optional)

11 Expansion Plan of Shaare Zedek Medical Center

2 Park Ha'Ivrit - Employment and Hi-Tech Park

5 Park Begin South - Mixed Use Center

8 Lev Center Expansion Plan

12 Ziv Complex - Commercial Center and a Mixed Use Hub

3 Meo'not Ha'Elef - Current Hi-tech Park and a Startup Ecosystem

6 Zion Valley, Jerusalem - Employment Center and a Mixed Use Hub

9 Campus Tal - Jerusalem College of Technology

10 Shalva Park

13 Public Open Space - Jerusalem Botanical Gardens

If You Are Interested In Investing In Jerusalem, Setting Up A Business Or Relocating Your Company To The City, We Are Here To Help! Here's how:

- + Development Zone A - special corporate tax in Jerusalem 7.5%, compared to 12% in the rest of Israel.
- + High salary participation grant - 20% participation in the salary cost for a period of 3 years
- + Addition 10% on the Innovation Authority grants, to Jerusalem companies.
- + 69% discount on the purchase of land for advanced industry in Jerusalem
- + Strategic companies grant - 7.2 million NIS
- + Grant for life sciences companies - 3 million NIS
- + Grant for start-up companies - 0.6 million NIS
- + Soft landing services for new or relocating businesses
- + Introductions to relevant companies and people in the Jerusalem ecosystem

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You can get started now. We'd love to hear from you:

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