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CONFERENCE WITH

Prof. Oded Shoseyov

Protein Engineering and Nano-Biotechnology Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Dr Grégoire Ribordy CEO of ID Quantique

Prof. Éric Allémann President of ISPSO, University of Geneva

Prof. Jean-Pierre Wolf *Physics, University of Geneva*

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The University of Geneva strongly encourages and supports researchers to consider entrepreneurship and innovation - the process of creating a value from an idea -, and this together with UNITEC, the Technology Transfer Office. Recently, the Faculty of science of UNIGE launched the Science Innovation Hub, a pre-incubator whose aim is to provide a collaborative and supportive (net)working space for innovative deep tech projects, with the Geneva ecosystem of innovation.

As part of the Science Innovation Hub's inauguration, Prof. Oded Shoseyov, from Hebrew University of Jerusalem, will talk about Nature's Gift; Materials for the future. He will present how to create high-impact and high-performance materials by simply observing Nature. He was inspired by the remarkable elastic property of resilin and the strength of nano-crystalline cellulose and by combining both, he developed a novel composite material. Another example is collagen, which is intimately involved in tissue development, but the source is a problem. By cloning human genes into tobacco plants, today in greenhouses all over Israel farmers grow transgenic tobacco plants producing human recombinant collagen used for the production of medical implant. Last but not least, he observed that combining collagen at the nano-scale with resilin to produce fibers results in super-performing fibers with mechanical properties which exceed that of natural fibers.

The conference will continue with a talk by Dr Grégoire Ribordy, CEO of ID Quantique, Prof. Éric Allémann, President of ISPSO (UNIGE), and Prof. Jean-Pierre Wolf, physicist (UNIGE), followed by a panel discussion moderated by Dr Laurent Miéville, Director of Unitec.

A networking aperitif and visits of the Science Innovation Hub will follow the public lecture.