The Faculty of Agriculture Celebrating 75 years

Invitation

An exhibition of photographs from the early years

Milestones of the Faculty of Agriculture in Rehovot

The exhibition will take place in the Library, on the Rehovot Campus of the Robert H. Smith Faculty of Agriculture, Food and Environment.

Opening:
Wednesday, January 17th, 2018, at 4 pm
Visiting hours: Sunday – Thursday, 9 am-7 pm
Starting from a small agricultural experimental station and training institute in the Moshava Rehovot, the Faculty of Agriculture of the Hebrew University was established according to the vision of the founders of the University.

The first milestone was the planning of the Aharon Aaronson building by the famous architect Erich Mendelsohn. This building enabled the opening of the Institute for Agricultural Studies. The official opening was celebrated with the lighting of the first Chanukah candle, on December 4th, 1942, in the presence of a large crowd of scientists, leaders of the Jewish Yishuv, government officials, members of the Ahronson family and guests.

Beginning with twenty-one pioneering students, the Faculty has blossomed into a major learning and research center of international renown. In 1952 the Hebrew University of Jerusalem decided to turn the Institute into a Faculty and ever since, it has grown into what it is today, the Robert H. Smith Faculty of Agriculture, Food and Environment.

Since its foundation the Faculty has been at the forefront of fostering research and education – combining scientific knowledge, human innovation and farming involvement to develop Israel’s agriculture and transform much of the country from a desert into a green, blooming terrain. The Faculty’s teachers, researchers, workers and students through the decades paved the way towards new objectives.