

#### **Green Knesset – Introductory Video**







#### **Green Knesset – The Vision**

- Taking the Knesset Members and workers
   into an era of Sustainability.
- 2. Optimizing technologies in the Knesset to represent active and pragmatic sustainability.
- 3. Turning the Knesset building and inhabitants into a teaching and educating system; Presenting the Knesset as a "roll model" for sustainability.





#### What is the "Green Knesset" Project?

- 13 projects in various arenas
  - Energy Efficiency
  - Water Conservation
  - Recycling
  - Establishing an organizational culture of sustainability
- The economics of the project was examined thoroughly and it was found that the monetary investment in the projects will begin to be returned from the third year and continue to be returned beginning in the third year and through the tenth year.







# The Fiscal Sense of the "Green Knesset" Project

- In the first phase of the project, NIS 7 million will be invested
- The investment will be returned in average yearly savings of NIS 2 million
- The investment will be fully returned within about 5 years
- The project will be implemented in 2014-2015
- The energy conservation initiatives will save about a third of Knesset energy and gas consumption



#### "Green Knesset" – Additional Aspects

- The creation of a culture of sustainability (environmental, social and economic) among MKs and Knesset employees
- The "Green Knesset" project will be integrated with Knesset tours in order to increase environmental awareness in Israel
- The presentation of the "Green Knesset" project in different parliaments in order to increase environmental awareness around the world
- Workshops and lectures for Knesset employees and guests
- Using the internet and social media to implement the lessons



#### Examples from the World

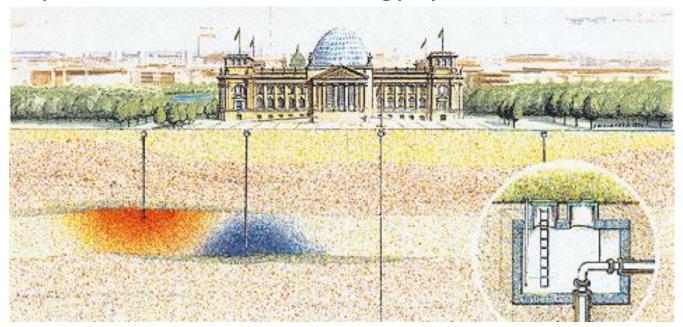
Australia-photovoltaic system on the roof of the parliament





#### Examples from the World

Germany – an environmental energy system at the Bundestag



The sophisticated energy system includes a geothermal energy system and a photovoltaic system which covers 3,600 square meters.

The geothermal system was tested for the Knesset but was found to be noneconomical.



# Upon completion of the "Green Knesset" project, the Knesset will be the greenest parliament in the world



#### **Electricity**

#### Computers, lights and AC will turn off automatically

1. The installation of software that will shut off 1200 Knesset computers at the

end of each work day

Annual return - NIS 120,000



Annual return - NIS 220,000

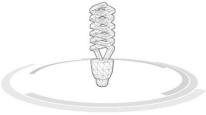






### **Electricity**Changing light bulbs

3. Changing bulbs throughout the building
Halogen bulbs will be replaced with LED lights
Replacing T8 bulbs with T5s
Annual return - NIS 35,000



4. Changing the lights in the parking garage
Changing fluorescent T8 bulbs with LED lights
Annual return - NIS 65,000







### **Electricity**Photovoltaic cells



5. Installation of 4650 square meters of photovoltaic cells on the roofs of the Knesset

This will produce enough electricity to match consumption by providing 450 kilowatts and an energy output of 510,000 kWh

Annual return - NIS 200,000







#### It will look like this...









#### Water

6. The replacement of old toilets with dual-flush toilets
This will save about 450 cubic meters of water a year
Annual return - NIS 70,000

7. Using condensate water from the air conditioning system - some 4,000 cubic meters - for irrigation

Annual return - NIS 60,000









#### Water

8. A review of the current irrigation system and building a new one to save 20% of the 20,000 cubic meters of water that the Knesset uses for irrigation each year







#### Steps that have already been taken

- Bottle, paper and carton recycling
- The installation of water conservers
- The installation of dual-flush toilets
- Departmental printers and two-sided printing
- Energy surveys
- "Green Knesset" surveys
- Replacing old AC units
- Signs to remind people to turn off the lights and the AC
- The installation of a computer-based fax program
- Installing water bars to replace bottles and cans







### The money that will be saved will be "painted green"

### It will be invested in additional environmental initiatives





 Series of "green" lectures for Knesset employees has concluded



Charging stations for electric cars have been

installed







Water being served in pitchers at Knesset committee meetings

"Knesset Trail" inaugurated













Planning of research Green Roof which will be installed next year.









the Knesset is currently in the midst of the process of replacing existing light bulbs with energy saving bulbs as part of a multi-year program









Reduction of paper usage by using tablets in committees









#### Knesset receives Green Globe Prize





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