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**About the Architect** [2]

Foster + Partners [4], led by Founder and Chairman Norman Foster, is based in London with offices worldwide. The practice has pioneered a sustainable approach to architecture through a wide range of award-winning work, from urban master plans to product design, including the world’s largest airport terminal in Beijing, the German Parliament in Berlin, The Great Court at London’s British Museum, and the Smithsonian Institution in Washington DC.

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**The Building** [5]
West View. © Foster+Partners.

Building the Future of Brain Sciences

The Suzanne and Charles Goodman Brain Sciences Building

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Images from the design process.

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$30 Million Second Stage Development Gift to ELSC
Mrs. Lily Safra and the Edmond J. Safra Philanthropic Foundation Make $30 Million Second Stage Development Gift to the Edmond and Lily Safra Center for Brain Sciences (ELSC) at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem
As of now, the pouring of the ceiling of the first floor has been completed.

Groundbreaking ceremony heralds construction of Israel's largest brain research center, one of world's most ambitious Hebrew University to begin construction of new brain sciences building

This week the cornerstone will be laid for the building, designed by Fosters + Partners, which will be sheathed in cast aluminum netting shaped like a network of neurons. But the London firm's Spencer de Grey explains why one can't design an iconic building in advance.
Edmond J. Safra, one of the 20th century’s most accomplished bankers and a devoted philanthropist, established a major philanthropic foundation to ensure that needy individuals and organizations would continue to receive his assistance and encouragement for many years to come.

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New Academic, Tenure Track Positions at ELSC
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Nizar Abed
IT manager.
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Guram Sigua
IT support
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The Vision

The Hebrew University of Jerusalem has launched the new Edmond and Lily Safra Center for Brain Sciences, which aspires to revolutionize current neuroscience research. The Center will bring together a powerful interdisciplinary team of top scientists to explore the relationships between gene function, brain neuronal circuits, and behavior. This collaboration will have profound implications for our ability to understand and treat neurological and psychiatric disorders.

ELSC Friends

It is now widely accepted that deciphering the enigma of the brain is the most challenging intellectual endeavor of the 21st century, "The Century of the Brain" - Join our quest and become a friend of ELSC.

Studying at ELSC

Our Int'l Ph.D. program provides outstanding students with top-notch courses in computational neuroscience.

The Building

The Jerusalem Brain Sciences Building will provide a state-of-the-art research and teaching facility for the Edmond and Lily Safra Center for Brain Sciences.
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