President Peres: Brain research will expose possibilities that today sound like science fiction

In his keynote speech to the 2012 AIPAC Policy Conference, President Shimon Peres affirmed that brain research is the future of scientific endeavor.

“The quest for knowledge defines Jewish history. Judaism is in constant debate. It is about asking the right questions, it is about being a liberal and a pluralistic society. I believe that Jews are never satisfied because they are always seeking new answers ? for a better world, a better tomorrow, or what we call Tikkun Olam.

I believe that the next decade will be the most scientific, the most dramatic, chapter in human history. It will expose possibilities that today sound like science fiction. Its center will be brain research.

The more we know about ourselves, the more we shall be able to control ourselves. Because in a global world, without a global government, self control is really vital. In a world of science and knowledge, the Jewish people and Israel have an exciting role to play, much to contribute, and so we shall do”.

Shimon Peres, AIPAC address, March 4, 2012

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