The Lauder School of Government, Diplomacy and Strategy
The Lectures Series in Political Psychology

Cordially invites you to a lecture with:

**Prof. Tom Pyszczynski**
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"Applications of Terror Management Theory to the Study of Intergroup Conflicts"

Monday, June 7th, 2010, at 16:00

Room: S1
Library Building, IDC Herzliya

Professor Tom Pyszczynski’s research is focused primarily on terror management theory (TMT), which he developed with his colleagues Jeff Greenberg and Sheldon Solomon. Terror management theory is concerned with the role of self-esteem and cultural belief systems in providing protection against core human fears, especially the fear of death. Over the years Professor Pyszczynski and colleagues have explored the role of terror management processes in a wide range of topics, including self-esteem, self-deception, prejudice, interpersonal relations, altruism, aggression, sexual ambivalence, disgust, depression, anxiety disorders, unconscious processes, aging, human development, and terrorism. He has also conducted research on how people fool themselves into believing that their biased views follow logically from the available facts, and on the role of self-regulatory processes in depression and other psychological disorders. In recent years Pyszczynski has conducted extensive research on intergroup conflict, political violence, and post-traumatic reactions. He is author of numerous scientific publications and co-author (with Sheldon Solomon and Jeff Greenberg) of In the Wake of 9/11: the Psychology of Terror (2002).

The lecture will be conducted in English

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