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A Western or Eastern Nation? The Case of Israel

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SUNDAY, JUNE 19, 2016
(Yad Izhak Ben-Zvi)

10:00 – 17:00	Graduate Student Workshop
13:00 – 18:00	AIS Board Meeting
17:00 – 19:00	Jerusalem Tours (requires Reservation)
20:00	"Happy Hour" – Bardak bar

MONDAY, JUNE 20, 2016

(Begin Heritage Center)

8:30 – 16:00

Registration is open to all delegates

Session A 9:00-10:30

MA1 Cultural Images from East and West

Chair: Na'ama Sheffi, Sapir Academic College (naamash@sapir.ac.il)

Ariel Cohen, Columbia University

Systems and Patterns of Constructing Culture: Ephraim Moses Lilien and the Zionist Project

Smadar Sheffi, Tel Aviv University

Self Representation - The Image of Jews from Arabic-Speaking Countries in the Visual Arts: Eric Bokobza's and Haim Ben-Shitrit's Oeuvre as a Test Case

Na'ama Sheffi, Sapir Academic College

East and West: The Representations on the "Ideal Figure Series" Banknotes

MA2 Round Table - Israel through the Lens of 'Settler Colonialism': What it Reveals and What it Hides

Chair: Donna Robinson Divine, Smith College (drdivine@smith.edu)

Johannes Becke, Center for Jewish Studies Heidelberg

Gabriel Noah Brahm, Ohio State University

Sara Yael Hirschhorn, University of Oxford

Aziza Khazzoom, Indiana University

MA3 Popular Culture Encounters

Chair: Michael Feige, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev

Rakefet Zalashik, University of Edinburgh and Tel Aviv University (rakez@hotmail.com)

Galeet Dardashti, New York University

Transnational Cyber-Music Encounters: The Case of Rita, the Iranian-born Israeli Pop Music Diva

Claudia Raquel Prieto-Piastro, King's College London

Eating Gefilte-fish in Israel: the Consumption of Jewish Food in the Israeli Household

MA4 Migration Policy in Israel

Chair: Meir Chazan, Tel Aviv University (ore1597@netvision.net.il)

Avi Picard, Bar-Ilan University

Between Eastern and Western Olim - Comparing Israel's policy toward Moroccan and Polish immigrants, 1954-1958

Meir Chazan, Tel Aviv University

The Dispute in Mapai and the Israel Labor Party over Immigration from Affluent Countries in the 1960s

Meital Regev, Bar-Ilan University

Deciding Not to Decide: Israeli Immigration Policy towards the "Beita Israel" in the First Decade

MA5 Believing in Israel

Chair: Havatzelet Yahel, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev (havatzelety@gmail.com)

Shai Wineapple and Ruth Kark, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

The Relationship between Christian Mission and Israel as a Modern Jewish Nation State: Israel's Response to Christian Missionary Activity, 1948-2008

Ira Robinson, Concordia University

Neturei Karta Meets Red Haifa: the Case of the Haifa Industrial Exhibition of 1956

Shai Feraro, Tel Aviv University

The Return of Ba'al (to the Holy Land): Canaanite Reconstructionism among Contemporary Israeli Pagans – a Double-Edged Sword

MA6 Israel through the Lenses of Western Public Policies and Middle-Eastern Socio-Spatial Dynamics

Chair: Alessandra Terenzi, Politecnico di Milano

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Contested Identity between East and West: Urban "Quarters" in Ancient Israeli Cities

Claudia De Martino, L'Orientale University of Naples

Ashkelon and the New Commons: Questioning Urban Development

Yaron Balslev, Tel Aviv University

Europe in the Levant: Between the Sanitary Idea and the Polluted Reality – The Case of Tel Aviv in the Early 20th Century

Emily Schneider, University of California Santa Barbara

"Diaspora Tourism" by non-Israeli Jewish Travel Programmes

MA7 Jewish Communities in Peripheral Mixed Towns in British Mandate Palestine: Between Local and National Affiliation

Chair: Moshe Naor, University of Haifa (mnaor3@gmail.com)

Reuven Gafni, Kinneret Academic College

A Local Affair or a National Settlement? The Jews in Beit She'an during the British Mandate Period

Anat Kidron, University of Haifa

The Jewish Community of Acre: From a Jewish-Ethnic Society to a Hebrew-National One

Aviva Halamish, the Open University of Israel

Tiberias' Great Flood, May 1934: A Peripheral Community Put to the Test

MA8 State and Stage

Chair: Rafi Mann, Ariel University (rafimann@gmail.com)

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Defending the IDF's Image on Stage: Theater and Censorship

Sarit Cofman-Simhon, HaKibbutzim College and Emunah College

The Minister of Culture Miri Regev and the Israeli Theatre: Jo Amar vs. Anton Chekhov?

Sharon Yavo Ayalon, Technion - Israel Institute of Technology

Staging Urbanism: Space, Theater and Publicness in Acre

MA9 Oh Say Can You See? Israel in the Eyes of American Jewry

Chair: Laura Katz Cutler, American University (cutler@american.edu)

Tal Elmaliach, University of Wisconsin-Madison

The American-Jewish Dream of Progressive Israel: An Historical Overview

Geoffrey Levin, New York University

Enlightened Policy or "Stained" Democracy? The Treatment of Israel's Arab Minority in American Eyes, 1950-1966

Mervin Verbit, Touro College and University System

American Jews and Israel: Attitudinal Differentiation and Empirical Detail

Alex Sinclair, Jewish Theological Seminary of America

Their Promised Land: How do American Jewish Education Students Respond to the Triumphs and Tragedies of Israel?

MA10 Out Of Africa – Israel and African States

Chair: Ariel Ahram, Virginia Tech (ahram@vt.edu)

Ariel Ahram, Virginia Tech

Israel and the Challenge of De Facto States in the Middle East and North Africa

Jacob Abadi, U.S. Air Force Academy

Israel and Tunisia: Relations under Stress

Michael B. Bishku, Augusta University

The Relations of the East African States of Kenya, Uganda and Tanzania with Israel

MA11 Iran – Media vs. Reality

Chair: Amnon Cavari, Interdisciplinary Center (IDC) Herzliya (cavari@idc.ac.il)

Gal Dor and Moran Yarchi, Interdisciplinary Center (IDC) Herzliya

Framing the Deal with Iran: Assessing elite and media coverage in Israel

Arielle Werner, Moran Yarchi and **Amnon Cavari**, Interdisciplinary Center (IDC) Herzliya

Assessing the Israel Frame in the US Media Coverage of the Iran Deal

Haile Zola and **Amnon Cavari**, Interdisciplinary Center (IDC) Herzliya

Congress on Iran

Adam Cahill, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem and University of Calgary

Persian Menace: Why Israel Continues to Fear the Iranian Bomb?

MA12 Simulating the Arab-Israeli Conflict for Teaching and Research

Chair: Laurie Zittrain Eisenberg, Carnegie Mellon University (le3a@andrew.cmu.edu)

Paul Scham, University of Maryland

The Struggle for Palestine: A Simulation of the "Peel Commission" Negotiations of 1936-37

Hemda Ben-Yehuda and **Guy Zohar**, Bar-Ilan University

Fanaticism and the Struggle for Peace: Simulating Arab-Israel Conflict Dynamics

Ronit Kampf, Tel Aviv University

Computerized Simulations of the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict, Knowledge Acquisition and Attitude Change: Peace Maker vs. Global Conflicts

Laurie Zittrain Eisenberg, Carnegie Mellon University

Comparison of Simulation Models for Teaching the Arab-Israeli Conflict

10:30 – 11:00 COFFEE BREAK

Session B 11:00–12:30

MB1 Is Israel Levantine?

Chair: Ilan Troen, Brandeis University (troen@brandeis.edu)

Aziza Khazzoom, Indiana University

Is Israel Middle Eastern?

Shoshi Norman, Galilee International Management Institute

Israeli Art as a Study Case (or Parable) for Integration of Jews in the Levant

Zachary Smith, University of Pennsylvania

Israel as Istanbul: Cosmopolitanism and Levantinism among Young Mizrahi Radicals

Sammy Smooha, University of Haifa

Israel's Western vs. Non-Western Options

MB2 Citizenship in a Multi-Faceted Democracy

Chair: Guy Ben-Porat, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev (GbP@som.bgu.ac.il)

Yuval Yonay, University of Haifa

A Western or Eastern Nation? A Queer Perspective

Guy Ben-Porat, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev

Policing and Minorities: Lessons Learned

David Meir Feuchtwanger, Herzog College and The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Teaching Civics in the State of Israel – Between Jerusalem and Athens

Ben Mollov, Bar-Ilan University

Between East and West: Daniel J. Elazar's Approach to Federalism as a Basis for Conflict Management in Israeli Society

MB3 Military and Memory

Chair: Ira Robinson, Concordia University (ira.robinson@concordia.ca)

Chaim Noy, Ashkelon Academic College

Ethnicity and the Performance of Commemoration at the Ammunition Hill National Memorial Site, Jerusalem

Mooli Brog, Taglit-Birthright Israel

The Yellow Star of Valor: IDF and Holocaust Memory

Anat Goldman, University of Washington

Privatized Commemoration, Inviolable Collectivity: Memorial Day and Commemoration of the Nation's Dead in Israel After 1985

Gabriela Spector-Mersel, Sapir Academic College and Ben-Gurion University of the Negev

Sabra Identity against "Others": Senior Officers of 1948 in Later Life

MB4 Identities in Migration

Chair: Mihai Chioveanu, University of Bucharest (mihai.chioveanu@fspub.unibuc.ro)

Michal Ben Ya'akov, Emuna-Efrata Academic College for Education and Arts

Bridging the Gap or Creating a Continuum? North African Jews in 19th century Eretz Israel

Uta Larkey, Goucher College

Immigration of Jewish Displaced Persons from the U.S. Zone of post-WWII Germany to Eretz Israel, 1945-1949

Hadas Cohen, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem (Visiting Scholar)

Israelis in Berlin - From the Shoah to a New Middle East

Felicia Waldman, University of Bucharest

Identity Challenges When Going East in Search of a Western lifestyle

MB5 Do "Secular" People Believe?

Chair: Asaf Lebovits, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem (asaf.lebovitz1@mail.huji.ac.il)

Hagar Lahav, Sapir Academic College

What do Secular-Believer Women in Israel Believe in?

Stacey Gutkowski, King's College London

Cultivating the Reasonable Hiloni Self: a Case of Secular Self-Fashioning?

Adi Sherzer, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev

"Got to be Happy": Secular Frameworks and Jewish Content On Israel's Civil Religion and Ritual System (1948-1958)

Asaf Lebovits, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Jew-Age among Israeli Celebrities: Jewish Spirituality as Post-Secular Discourse of Citizenship

MB6 Taking Care of Israeli Society

Chair: Rakefet Zalashik, University of Edinburgh and Tel Aviv University (rakez@hotmail.com)

Karra Greenberg, UCLA

Understanding the Relationship between Adult Child Role Attainments and Parental Depression and Alcohol Use in Israel

Tamar Kaneh-Shalit, UC Davis

Empathy and Care in the Israeli Field of Life Coaching

Sara Grubanov-Boskovic, University of Torino

Interpersonal and Institutional Trust of Elderly Jewish Population in Israel

Dana Zarhin, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev and Brandeis University

"I don't Want to See Myself as a Disabled Person": How CPAP Devices Construct Disabled Identities

MB7 Round Table - Teaching Israel: Tough Times, Contemporary Challenges

Chair: Vered Vinitzky-Seroussi, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Eitan Alimi, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Yael Aronoff, Michigan State University

Matt Evans, Penn State University

Menachem Hofnung, the Hebrew University of Jerusalem

MB8 Orient Expressed – Reflections and Representations

Chair: Rachel Harris, University of Illinois (rachels.harris@gmail.com)

Leah Gilula, Independent Scholar

No News in the West, but in the East...: The Yishuv as Reflected in the Satirical Theatre 'Hamatateh' (1928-1933)

Shelley Harten, Free University Berlin

In the Mirror: Representations of the "Orient" and the "Arab" in Yishuv and Israeli Visual High Arts, 1906-1957

Tobias Ebbrecht-Hartmann, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

The Gaze and the Place: Cinematic Encounters with the Land of Israel and the Ambiguity of In-Between

Rachel Harris, University of Illinois

"The Farmer and the Cowman Should Be Friends": Land, Gender and Heroism in the Israeli Western

MB9 Round Table - Trouble in the Tribe: American Jewish Conflicts over Israel

Chair: Theodore Sasson, Middlebury College and Brandeis University

Dov Waxman, Northeastern University

Mira Sucharov, Carleton University

Jonathan Rynhold, Bar-Ilan University

MB10 My Heart in the East - China and Israel

Chair: Hagai Shagrir, Israel Ministry of Foreign Affairs (hagai.shagrir@mfa.gov.il)

Gangzheng She, Brandeis University

The Wind from the East: The Sino-Soviet Split and its Impact on the Arab-Israeli Conflict, 1964-1975

Wang Yu, Peking University and The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

When Confucius Arrives to Jerusalem: Cultural Interactions between China and Israel in the 21st Century

Yang Yang, Shanghai International University

China's "One Belt and One Road" Initiative and Israel

Guangmeng Chen, Sichuan International Studies University

The New Development of Sino-Israel Relations at the "Belt and Road Initiative"

MB11 Understanding Contemporary Israel: Societal Challenges

Chair: Joel Peters, Virginia Tech (peters25@vt.edu)

Pinchas Landau, Independent Scholar

Economic Challenges

Reut Itzkovitch Malka, The Open University Israel

Women and Israeli Society

Colin Shindler, SOAS

The Rise of the Israeli Right

MB12 Israel as a Middle Eastern State: De-Westernization and Levantinization (A)

Chair: Johannes Becke, Center for Jewish Studies Heidelberg (johannes.becke@hfjs.eu)

Lidia Averbukh, Ludwig Maximilians University

The Israeli Immigration Regime - a Mixture of Western and Eastern Immigration Policies

Julie Grimmeisen, Ludwig Maximilians University

The Jewish Beauty of the Orient: The Yemenite Miss Israel of 1952

Walid Abd El Gawad, Leipzig University

Anthem for Peace: The Perception of Jewish History in the Writings of Modern Scholars of the Cairo University (1927—1966)

Plenary Session 12:45–14:00

Challenges to the Israeli Justice System

Chair: Pnina Lahav (Boston University)

Justice **Daphne Barak-Erez**, Supreme Court of Israel

Mohammed Wattad, UC/Irvine and Zefat College

Ruth Halperin-Kaddari, Bar-Ilan University

Menachem Hofnung, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

***Light Lunch offered**

Session C: 14:00–15:30

MC1 A Western or Eastern Culture? The Case of the Hebrew Culture Innovation

Chair: Michal Sadan, Yad Tabenkin (michalrae@gmail.com)

Michal Sadan, Yad Tabenkin

Western or Eastern 'Hebrew Shepherd': Between Attraction and Rejection

Nurit Feinstein, University of Haifa, HaKibbutzim College and Yad Tabenkin

East and West Influences in Matityahu Shelem's Works for the Kibbutzim Holidays Ceremonies

Paz Elnir, Oranim College and Yad Tabenkin

East and West in Lea Bergstein's Dances

MC2 Israeli Politics and the Dominance of Victimhood

Chair: Ilan Peleg, Middle East Institute (Washington) and Lafayette College (pelegi@lafayette.edu)

Nadav G. Molchadsky, UCLA

Victimhood and a Contested Israeli Past: Commissions of Inquiry and the Yemenite Children Affair

Ilan Peleg, Middle East Institute (Washington) and Lafayette College

The Emergence of a Hegemonic Victimhood Discourse in Contemporary Israel

Alon Gan, HaKibbutzim College

The Victimization Discourse in Israel

MC3 Representations of Place, Displacement, and Re-Placement in the Field of Israeli Art

Chair: Yael Guilat, Oranim College (yguilat@gmail.com)

Yael Guilat, Oranim College

Home as a Microcosm: Multicultural Representations of Living Rooms in Israeli Art in a Globalizing World

Shahar Marnin-Distelfeld, Zefat Academic College

Botanical Illustrations: Representations of the Land of Israel

Tal Dekel, Tel Aviv University

Where does She belong? Gender, Art and the Globalized World: Philippine Women Artists in Israel

MC4 Planning and Policy in Israel

Chair: Assaf Selzer, University of Haifa (as245@zahav.net.il)

Shani Bar-On, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev

Class and Spatial Transitions: Dead Sea Works Ltd. and the Building Up of the Southeast of Israel, 1948-1964

Eran Eldar, University of Calgary

Municipal Reform in the Dan Bloc: The Attempt to Establish an Umbrella Municipality in 1960s and 1970s

Donna Herzog, New York University

"What is good for General Motors is Good for the United States": Israel and the Battle over the Privatization of its Water Sector

MC5 Orthodox Judaism and the State

Chair: Joseph Herbasch, Ludwig Maxmilian University (josefherbasch@gmail.com)

Josef Herbasch, Ludwig Maxmilian University
Satmar Hasidim and their Approach of Exile

Peter Lindt, University of Erlangen
Israeli Haredim and Political Modernity: A Relation at Unease

Ines Gabel, The Open University of Israel
Subversive Voices in Haredi Discourse: the Controversy over Academic Education

MC6 Round Table - Western or Eastern: Is there an Israeli Nation?

Chair: Moshe Berent, The Open University of Israel (mosheb@openu.ac.il)

Joseph Agassi, Tel-Aviv University and Boston University

Alan Dowty, University of Notre Dame

Sammy Smooha, University of Haifa

Alexander Yakobson, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

MC7 Round Table - Israel Studies Programs: Between the Local and Area Perspectives

Chair: Paula Kabalo, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev (pkabalo@gmail.com)

Ofer Shiff, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev

Arieh Saposnik, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev

Ben Herzog, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev

MC8 The Israeli Campus as a Natural Space of Arab-Jewish Encounter: From Identity-based Conflict to Identity-based Cooperation

Chair: Jay Rothman, Bar-Ilan University (jay.rothman@biu.ac.il)

Jay Rothman and **Adi Beinart Miller**, Bar-Ilan University

Applying and Adapting Action Evaluation at Jezreel Valley College: what, why and how?

Victor Friedman, **Oriana Abboud Armali** and **Daniella Arieli**, Yezreel Valley College

Beyond the "One Big Happy Family" Fantasy: Making Conflict Discussable Through Action Research

Javier Simonovich and **Nizar Bitar**, Yezreel Valley College

An Island of Sanity in a Sea of Hostility: Organizational Policy Building Practical Bridges and Bonds Between Arab and Jewish Students

MC9 Round Table - The Star and the Stripes: A History of the Foreign Policies of American Jews

Chair: Joel Migdal, University of Washington (migdal@u.washington.edu)

Michael Barnett, George Washington University
Yael Aronoff, Michigan State University
Jonathan Rynhold, Bar-Ilan University

MC10 The 51st State – Israel and US Policies

Chair: Amnon Cavari, Interdisciplinary Center (IDC) Herzliya

Joseph Constance, Saint Anselm College
The United States and Israel: An Enduring Defense of the West

Itay Meir, Interdisciplinary Center (IDC) Herzliya
American Foreign Policy towards Israel Before and After the Six-Day War: A Comparative Case Study

Mitchell Bard, Independent Scholar, AICE
Myth or Fact: Netanyahu Has Irreparably Damaged the US-Israel Relationship

MC11 Identities in Movement

Chair: Brian Horowitz, Tulane University (horowitz@tulane.edu)

Gisela Dachs, Tel Aviv University
Managing News and Conflicted Identities: the Case of Bicultural Immigrant Citizens in Israel

Kathryn David, New York University
Anti-Semitism, Zionism, and the Battle for Ukraine: Russian Discourse on Jewish and Ukrainian Nationalism 1948-2016

Eugene Tartakovsky, Tel Aviv University, Eduard Patrakov, Ural Federal University and Marina Nikulina, Southern Federal University
A New Theoretical Model of Emigration Intentions in the Diaspora Population: The Case of Jews Living in Russia

Meng Yang, Free University Berlin
Jewish Exile in Shanghai

MC12 Expressions of Ethos of Conflict in Israeli Societal Institutions

Chair: Oren Barak, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem (oren.barak1@mail.huji.ac.il)

Ofer Shinar Levanon, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem and Sapir Academic College
The Ethos of the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict as Reflected by the Judgments of the Israeli Supreme Court 1948 – 2006

Nimrod Rosler, Tel Aviv University
Leading to Peace? Change and Adherence in the Perceptions of PMs Netanyahu and Olmert Regarding the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict

Tamir Magal, University of Haifa
The Role of Media Coverage in Granting Legitimacy for Israeli Peace Organizations

Plenary Session: 16:00–17:30

Challenges to Israeli Diplomacy in a Changing World Order

Chair: **Itamar Rabinovich**

Itamar Rabinovich, Tel Aviv University
USA and Middle East

Shimon Stein, Institute for National Security Studies - Tel Aviv University
Germany and Western Europe

Yitzhak Shichor, University of Haifa and The Hebrew University of Jerusalem
China and Far East

Zvi Magen, Institute for National Security Studies
Former Soviet Union

Welcome Reception, Awards and Keynote Address 17:45–19:30

17:45 Reception

Greetings: **Ilan Troen**, AIS president
Aryeh Naor, Program Chair
Herzl Makov, Menachem Begin Heritage Center
Alon Kadish, Yad Izhak Ben-Zvi

18:15 Awards for 2016

AIS-Israel Institute Lifetime Achievement Award:

Prof. Anita Shapira (Tel-Aviv University)

AIS-Israel Institute Young Scholar Award:

Dr. Uriel Abulof (Tel Aviv University and Princeton University).

Annual Shapiro Award for Best Book in Israel Studies 2016:

Dr. Tamir Sorek (University of Florida) for his book: *Palestinian Commemoration in Israel: Calendars, Monuments and Martyrs*;

Dr. Noam Zadoff (Indiana University) for his book: *From Berlin to Jerusalem and Back: Gershom Scholem between Israel and Germany* (in Hebrew).

Annual Ben Halpern Award for Best Dissertation in Israel Studies 2015:

Dr. Aviad Moreno (Ben-Gurion University) for his dissertation: "Ethnicity in Motion: Social Networks in the Emigration of Jews from Northern Morocco to Venezuela and Israel, 1860-2010".

Annual Baruch Kimmerling Prize for Best Graduate Paper presented at 2015 annual meeting:

Shaiel Ben-Ephraim (University of Calgary), for his paper: "Allowing Kids to Become Goats: Israeli Settlements in the Occupied Territories".

18:45 Keynote Address: **Shlomo Avineri**

Zionism and Israel Between East and West: A Mixed Legacy

19:30 Banquet Dinner

*By paid Tickets only

TUESDAY, JUNE 21, 2016

(Yad Izhak Ben-Zvi)

8:30 am – 4:00 pm

Registration is open to all delegates

Session A 09:00–10:30

TA1 Economy and Society in British Mandate Palestine

Chair: Alon Kadish, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem and Yad Izhak Ben-Zvi
(akadish64@gmail.com)

Amos Nadan, Tel Aviv University
Economic Aspects of the National Palestinian Peasant Revolt, 1936-1939

Giora Goodman, Kinneret Academic College
"The Army of the Jungle": The Social Dimension of the Anti-British Riots in Tel Aviv, November 1945

Assaf Selzer, University of Haifa
Western Ideas in the Promised Land – The Search for and the Supply of Water in the Jewish Sector in Palestine in the First Half of the 20th Century

TA2 Holocaust Echoes, 1950s to 1970s

Chair: Yechiam Weitz, University of Haifa (yandaweitz@walla.co.il)

Boaz Cohen, Western Galilee College
Holocaust Survivors are Israeli society: Re-thinking 1950s Israel

Jacob Tovy, University of Haifa
"Remember What the Amalekites Did to You" - Herut Movement's Attitude towards Israel-Germany Relations, 1949-1965

Doron Timor, Tel Aviv University
The Students' Protest and the Public Sphere: Israel-Germany Relationships as a Turning Point for the Israeli Student

Ekaterina Usova, Russian Academy of Sciences
The Eichmann Trial, the Official Soviet Policy and a Man Who Dared to Have his Say

TA3 Gendered Encounters with the State

Chair: Orna Sasson-Levy, Bar-Ilan University (o.sassonlevy@gmail.com)

Larissa Remennick and Ana Prashizky, Bar-Ilan University
"Strangers in the Homeland:" Gendered Citizenship among Non-Jewish Immigrant Women in Israel

Tanya Zion-Waldoks, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev and Bar-Ilan University
Ein Din v'Yesh Dayan? Experiences of Citizenship among Orthodox Women Agunah Activists Facing Israel's Rabbinic Courts

Sara Helman, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
Turning Welfare-Reliant Women into Entrepreneurs: Employment Readiness Workshops and the Constitution of the Entrepreneurial Self in Israel

Edna Lomsky-Feder, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem and **Orna Sasson-Levy**, Bar-Ilan University
Gendered Encounters with the State: An Analytical Proposal

TA4 Jerusalem: Between East and West

Chair: Meir Kraus, Jerusalem Institute for Israel Studies

Yitzhak Reiter, Jerusalem Institute for Israel Studies and Ashkelon Academic College
Jerusalem's Holy Places as a Focal Point of Symbolic Competition

Amnon Ramon, Jerusalem Institute for Israel Studies and Ashkelon Academic College
Jerusalem Churches and Christian Communities under Israeli Rule (1967-1973)

Marik Shtern, Jerusalem Institute for Israel Studies and Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
Employment of East Jerusalem Palestinians in West Jerusalem

Lior Lehrs, Jerusalem Institute for Israel Studies and The Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Jerusalem as an "Open City"

TA5 Western Military Power in the Middle East? Origins, Trends and Implications of Israel's Military and Strategic Cultures

Chair: Itamar Rickover, Bar-Ilan University (itamar.rickover@gmail.com)

Carmit Padan, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem and the Institute for National Security Studies
Crisis or an 'Orderly' Event? Interjecting a Social Constructivist Perspective into the Role of Leadership in Military Events

Shaiel Ben-Ephraim, University of Calgary and Mount Royal University
"In Blood and Fire": Strategic Subcultures and the Roots of Israeli Strategic Culture

Tamir Libel, Barcelona Institute of International Studies
The Reconstruction of Israel's Security Policy in the 21 century: A 4th Generation Strategic Culture explanation

Eitan Shamir, Bar-Ilan University
The Americanization of the IDF: Explaining Israel's New Way of War

TA6 Religion, Space, and Gender: New Perspectives on Polish Zionism in Interwar Period

Chair: Daniel Mahla, Ludwig Maximilians University (daniel.mahla@gmail.com)

Daniel Mahla, Ludwig Maximilians University
Dynamics of Competition: Orthodox Politics and Zionism in Interwar Poland

Rona Yona, The Open University of Israel and Tel Aviv University
Polish Zionism between Russia and Palestine: the Case of Labor Zionism

Jolanta Mickute, Vytautas Magnus University and the Vilnius Yiddish Institute
To Be or Not to Be a Zionist? Gender, Political Creed, and Generational Difference in Polish Zionism

TA7 Political Models and Perspectives

Chair: Colin Shindler, SOAS

Gal Ariely, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
Israel in Comparative Perspective: the Unit of Analysis

Csaba Nikolenyi, Concordia University
"Kalanterism": Conceptual and Empirical Perspectives on Party Switching in Israel

Assaf Meydani, The Academic College of Tel-Aviv Yaffo and **Dganit Ofek**, Sapir Academic College
The 20th Knesset: A Theory of Coalitions Formation Perspective – towards an Integrative Model

Moshe Maor, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Rhetoric and Doctrines of Policy Over- and Under-reactions in Times of Crisis

TA8 Israel Studies: Where and How?

Chair: Natan Aridan, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev (aridan@bgu.ac.il)

Miriam Shenkar and **Oded Shenkar**, Ohio State University and Halo Ben-Asher, Walden University
Cultural Signifiers and Israel Studies

Christopher Schilling, National Chengchi University
Teaching Israel Studies in Taiwan

Leonard Saxe and Fern Chertok, Brandeis University
Responding to BDS and Anti-Semitism on Campus with Jewish Education: Birthright Israel and Israel Studies

TA9 Minority Reports

Chair: Itamar Radai, University of Haifa (itamar.radai@mail.huji.ac.il)

D. Gershon Lewental, University of Oklahoma
Beyond "Israel Studies": The Case of Bahā'īs and Jews in the Holy Land, 1917–1957

Randall Geller, Brandeis University
Military Recruitment Policies Directed toward the Bedouin Population in Post-1948 Israel

William Miles, Northeastern University
Post-Modernity and the Druze: "Westernization" of an Indigenous Israeli Minority

TA10 From the Canaanites to Matzpen: Home-Grown Dissidents of the Zionist Project

Chair: Johannes Becke, Center for Jewish Studies Heidelberg (johannes.becke@hfjs.eu)

Roman Vater, University of Oxford
Jewish Nationalism vs. Hebrew Nationalism: The Case of the Canaanites

Lutz Fiedler, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Israel in Revolution: Matzpen, the Palestine Conflict and the Hebrew Nation

TA11 'Mizrahi' Identity and Representation

Chair: Hani Zubida, Yezreel Valley College (haniz@yvc.ac.il)

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Defining Rationality in Israeli Election: Is Rationality in Israel Ashkenazi Bounded, or Can Mizrahi Voters also Act Rationally?

Gadi Nissim, Ruppin Academic Center

Coherent Mizrahi Identity? The Case of "Kedma Tel-Aviv" High School

Rocco Giansante, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Almost Proud: Mizrahi Identities and the West on Israeli Television

TA12 Aliya in Perspective

Chair: Brian Horowitz, Tulane University (horowitz@tulane.edu)

Brian Horowitz, Tulane University

Vladimir Jabotinsky and the Russian Emigration: What Role Did Jews from Russia Play in the Formation and Ideology of Revisionism

Sebastian Klor, University of Haifa

Marginal Immigrants: Jewish Argentine Immigration to Israel 1948-1967

Katharina Hey, Ludwig Maximilian University

A Question of Double Allegiance? The Transformation of Israel-Diaspora Relations in France in the 1960s

Ilan Riss, Central Bureau of Statistics Israel

Determinants of Migration Waves in the Israeli Migration System

Coffee Break 10:30 – 11:00

Session B 11:00–12:30

TB1 Town and Country: Science, Society and the Spatial Engineering of Zionist Palestine

Chair: Eitan Bar-Yosef, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev (eby@bgu.ac.il)

Netta Cohen, University of Oxford

Utopia and Climate: Jewish and Zionist Utilization of 'Climate Theory' in Fin-de-Siècle Europe

Noah Hysler Rubin, Bezalel Academy of Arts and Design

20th century planning paradigms and the Zionist City

Shira Wilkof, UC Berkeley

Merging Town and Country: Eliezer Brutzkus and the Creation of a "Semi-Urban" National Landscape

Oryan Shachar, Technion - Israel Institute of Technology and The NB Haifa School of Design

From Firi'm to Hatzor HaGlilit: A Story of Visions, Transformation and Local Identity, 1948-1953

TB2 "The Old Man" Revisited

Chair: Dvora Hacohen, Bar-Ilan University (dvora.hacohen@gmail.com)

Dvora Hacohen, Bar-Ilan University
1953: A Turning Point in Israel

Avi Shilon, New York University
Toward the Eastern Frontier: Ben-Gurion's Approach to India and Buddhism

Natan Aridan, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
Sixty Years on – The 1956 "Kadesh"–Sinai War: A Retrospective and Reappraisal of Ben-Gurion's Aims, Objectives and Achievements

TB3 Zionism between East and West: A Gendered Perspective

Chair: Ilana Szobel, Brandeis University (szobel@brandeis.edu)
Respondent: Rachel Brenner, University of Wisconsin

Hamutal Tsamir, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
Modern Hebrew Literature between East and West: What's Gender Got To Do With it

Ilana Szobel, Brandeis University
Sexual Violence in the Work of Shoshana Shababo

Yael Ben-Zvi Morad, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
"And why do Children Die?" - Gender and Sacrifice in Zionist Women's Autobiographies

TB4 Jerusalem Narratives

Chair: Reuven Gafni, Kinneret Academic College (gafni.reuven@gmail.com)

Jonathan Grossman, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Legalism, Pragmatism, Catholicism, and the Holy City: Brazil and the Dispute over Jerusalem, 1948–1967

Sara Yael Hirschhorn, University of Oxford
From Goldineh Medinah to Jerusalem of Gold: American Jews and the Memory of Jerusalem in 1967

Elan Ezrachi, Independent Scholar
Israeli Narratives on the Status of Jerusalem since 1967

Michael Feige, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
Noa Gilboa Kanarek, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
A Wall in her Heart: Rebranding Jerusalem through Popular Music

TB5 Olive Branch and Sword - and the Nation

Chair: Yoram Peri, University of Maryland (yperi@umd.edu)

Elad Neemani, Tel Aviv University
The Road to the Military Boarding School of Command next to the Reali High School, Haifa

Elisheva Rosman, Bar-Ilan University
Believing in Theory: How the IDF Might be Building a Nation in its own Mind

Clila Magen, Bar-Ilan University
Israel's Intelligence Community in the Public Sphere: Adapting to 21st Century Challenges?

TB6 Israel in Identity Politics of Diaspora Jews

Chair: Toby Greene, Tel Aviv University (toby@tobygreene.net)

Sarah Fainberg, Tel Aviv University
The Israelization of French Judaism

Dov Waxman, Northeastern University
A Dov-ish Diaspora: Diaspora Jews and the Israeli-Palestinian Peace Process

Daniel Goldman, "Gesher"
Cultural Barriers between Israeli and Diaspora Jewry

Yossi Shain, Tel Aviv University
The Israelization of Judaism and its Universalist Discontents

TB7 New Media, New Challenges

Chair: Sam Lehman-Wilzig, Bar-Ilan University (Sam.Lehman-Wilzig@biu.ac.il)

Sam Lehman-Wilzig and Chen Sabag Ben-Porat, Bar-Ilan University and Azi Lev-On, Ariel University
Knesset Legislators and the Public on Facebook: Parliamentary Aides Recruitment, Training, and Patterns of Social Network Activity

Shahaf Zamir, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Political Personalization on the Internet: Comparative Perspective

Hananel Rosenberg and **Osnat Roth-Cohen**, Ariel University
Smart-phone or Smart Consumer? Consumer Awareness and Attitudes towards Mobile Advertising in Israel

TB8 Israel Studies in Germany

Chair: Johannes Becke, Center for Jewish Studies Heidelberg (johannes.becke@hfjs.eu)

Discussant: Hadas Cohen, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Angelika Timm, Independent Scholar
Israel Studies at Humboldt University, Berlin: Experiences from a Multidisciplinary Experiment in Research and Teaching

Johannes Becke, Center for Jewish Studies Heidelberg
Land and Redemption: The Zionist Project in Comparative Perspective

Michael Brenner, Ludwig Maximilians University and American University
"Mada'i ba-Mizrah ve-Anokhi be-Ma'arav" – Reflections on Israel Studies in Germany

Jenny Hestermann, Fritz Bauer Institute
Paradigms and Research Gaps in German-Israeli Relations

TB9 Left and Right, East and West

Chair: Esther Meir-Glitzenstein, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev (esmeir@bgu.ac.il)

Oren Kalman, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
The Struggle between East and West within Local MAPAI Leadership of Kiryat-Gat 1959

Esther Meir-Glitzstein, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
About the Hybrid Identity of the 'Mizrahim' in Israel: Mordechai Ben-Porat as a case study

Ofir Abu, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev and Orit Galili-Zucker, Independent Scholar
Perceptions toward the Zionist Left among Israel's Social and Geographical Periphery

TB10 Dor le-Dor: The Generation Gap

Chair: Rachel Fish, Brandeis University (rfish@brandeis.edu)

Emily Schneider, University of California Santa Barbara
Attachment through Criticism: The Role of Travel in Jewish-Americans' Changing Relationship to Zionism

Ariela Keysar, Trinity College
U.S. and Israel: The Role of Grandparents

Anat Feldman, Achva Academic College
Sacred Spaces for Second Generation North African Jews in Israel

TB11 Israel Raid in Entebbe 1976: Historical, Military and Legal Perspectives

Chair: Alon Kadish, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem and Yad Izhak Ben-Zvi
(akadish64@gmail.com)

Sagi Torgan, IDF Command and Staff College
The Decision Making Process of the Entebbe Operation

Anat Stern, IDF Command and Staff College and Tel Aviv University
Legal aspects of Operation Thunder-Ball: Fighting Terrorists in the Courts

Omri Adomi, IDF Command and Staff College and The Hebrew University
The German Entebbe

Nimrod Hagiladi, IDF Command and Staff College and University of Haifa
Entebbe in Retrospect: 40 Years Later

TB12 Social Movements and Activism in Israel: The 2011 Social Justice Movement

Chair: Doron Shultziner, Hadassah Academic College (doronsh@hadassah.ac.il)

Doron Shultziner and Karin Siklay, Hadassah Academic College
Stages of Social Movements and the 2011 Social Justice Movement

Carmit Wiesslitz, Hadassah Academic College
Activists and the Media in the Digital Age: What has Changed?

Sarah Goldberg and Naomi Carmon, Technion – Israel Institute of Technology
And They Took to the Streets: The J14 Protests as Part of a Global Social Movement

AIS General Assembly 12:45–13:45

*Light lunch offered

Session C 14:00–15:30

TC1 Teaching Israel Studies: Suggestions for New Primary Sources

Chair: Ron Zweig, New York University (rz11@nyu.edu)

Esther Carmel-Hakim, University of Haifa
Teaching Zionist Women's History through 1920s Posters

Shira Klein, Chapman University
New Sources for Teaching Israeli Migration History

Norma Joseph, Concordia University
Gender, War and Film: A Classroom Experiment

TC2 Golda Meir: A New Book by the Israel State Archive

Chair: Yael Aronoff, Michigan State University

Discussants: Meron Medzini, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Prina Lahav, Boston University

Hagai Tsoref, Israel State Archives
Changes in the Public Perception of Prime Minister Golda Meir in the Last Decades

TC3 Between East and West: Palestine from the Ottoman Regime to the British Mandate

Chair: Ilan Troen, Brandeis University (troen@brandeis.edu)

Havatzelet Yahel, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
Land Registration and Mapping: from the Ottomans to the British Mandate

Roy Marom, Tel Aviv University
Across the Mountains and Beyond the Sea: Migrations and Settlement in the Sharon Plain during the Late Ottoman and British Mandate Periods

Kobi Peled, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
Social Symbiosis in the Upper Galilee: The Relationship between Peasants and Semi-Nomads during the British Mandate Period

Emir Galili, Beit Berl College
"A Nomadic State of Mind": The Formation and transformations of Negev Bedouin Mental Maps in the 19th and 20th Centuries

TC4 Round table: Is Peace Ashkenazi?

Co-Chairs: Jon Simons, Indiana University (simonsj@indiana.edu)

Henriette Dahan Kalev, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev (henms@bgu.ac.il)

Neta Amar-Shiff, Human Rights of Palestinians in the Occupied Territories
Yifat Hillel, The Bilingual School, Beer Sheva
Atalia Omer, Notre Dame University
MK **Aiman Oudeh**, The Joint List Party
MK **Yossi Yonah**, The Zionist Camp Party, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev

TC5 Translocal Dialogues

Chair: Hillel Nossek, Kinneret Academic College (hnossek@gmail.com)

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Climate Change Communication between the Global and the Local: The Case of Israel

Steven Fraiberg, Michigan State University
Constructing Translocal Identities in the Israeli High-Tech Industry

Margalit Toledano, University of Waikato
Buber's Strategic Communication: Propaganda or Dialogic Communication?

TC6 "It's Us against the World"

Chair – Alan Craig, University of Leeds (a.craig@leeds.ac.uk)

Shmuel Sandler, Bar-Ilan University
Tradition and Survival: The Jewish Foundations of Israel's Foreign Policy

Gerald Steinberg, Bar-Ilan University
Israel – a Nation that Dwells Alone?

Aaron Walter, Masaryk University
Western Bride, Eastern Mistress: Israel, and the Politics of European and U.S. Leaders

Gadi Heimann, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Political Debate on Israel's Foreign Policy

TC7 Reading across the Mediterranean

Chair: Rachel Brenner, University of Wisconsin – Madison (brenner@wisc.edu)

Merom Kalie, Independent Scholar
Moral Responsibility in Times of Conflict: Works by Albert Camus and David Grossman

Yael Halevi-Wise, McGill University
A. B. Yehoshua "'Among the Isms': His Canaanism, Sephardism and Mediterraneanism under the Control of Modern Zionism

Yael Dekel, Northwestern University
How do You Say "Yahud" in Hebrew? a Canaanite Story on the War of 1948

TC8 Where is Israel Located?

Chair: David Ohana, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev (dohana19@gmail.com)

Alain Dieckhoff, Center for International Studies Sciences Po, Paris

Israel as an Hybrid State

Ari Ofengenden, Brandeis University
It Ain't Europe Here

Ofar Berenstein, University of Calgary
Tamed space – Israel as a Tamed Levantine Space in the Israeli-German and Israeli-Polish Comics
Co-productions 'Cargo' and 'Israpol'

TC9 Abraham Leon: A Jewish Radical and his Legacy

Chair: Danny Gutwein, University of Haifa (dgutwein@univ.haifa.ac.il)

Tony Michels, University of Wisconsin Madison
American Marxists and Their Reconsideration of Zionism in the 1940s

Tom Navon, University of Haifa
A Materialist Approach to Jewish History – The Case of Abraham Leon

Tal Elmaliach, University of Wisconsin Madison
The Revival of Abraham Leon - Radical Jews in the 1960s between Zionism and the New Left

TC10 A New Page: From 'Jewish National and University Library' to 'National Library of Israel'

Chair: Aviad Stollman, National Library of Israel

Gil Weissblei, National Library of Israel
A Nation's Spirit in Boxes: Israeli Collections at the Archives Department of NLI

Eyal Miller, National Library of Israel
The World before YNET: the Research and Study of Historical Newspapers in the Digital Age –
Adaptations, Biases and Considerations.

Hezy Amiur, National Library of Israel
"Do you Mean Absolutely Everything about Israel?!": Collection Policy and Digital Projects
in the NLI

TC11 Security and Foreign Policy Challenges

Chair: Joel Peters, Virginia Tech (peters25@vt.edu)

Charles (Chuck) Freilich, Harvard University
Security Challenges in the 21st Century

Galia Golan, Interdisciplinary Center (IDC) Herzliya
The Challenge of Peace

Joel Peters, Virginia Tech
Israel and the World

Dov Waxman, Northeastern University
Israel and the Jewish People

TC12 When East and West Meet in the Educational Field: The History of Hebrew Education in Palestine, 1880–1925

Chair: Youval Dror, Tel Aviv University (droryuvl@gmail.com)

Tali Tadmor-Shimony, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev and Nirit Reichel, Kinneret Academic College and Gordon College
The Encounter between Western Educational Ideas and the Zionist Education's Vision Regarding Agriculture Teaching and School Trip during the Pre-State Era

Miriam Szamet, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Eastern or Western? The concept of "New Education" among the second generation of Hebrew Teachers in the Yishuv, 1905–1925

Hanit Bengals, Tel Aviv University
Eastern and Western Influences on the first Hebrew-Language Gymnasium – "Gymnasia Herzliya"

Renana Kristal, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
Hebrew Module for Blind and Visually Impaired Children's Education, from the Yishuv-Era to the Early Stages of the Israeli State

COFFEE BREAK 15:30 – 16:00

Plenary Session 16:00 – 17:30

On BDS: Perspectives from the United States and Israel

Active Chair: Donna Robinson Divine, Smith College (drdivine@smith.edu)

Zvi Ziegler, Technion - Israel Institute of Technology, Inter-University Forum to Combat Academic Boycotts

Ken Waltzer, Michigan State University, CEO Academic Engagement Network

Dani Rabinowitz, Tel-Aviv University, Israeli and American Anthropological Association

Robert Freedman, Johns Hopkins, AIS Representative to MESA

17:30 – 20:00 **Tours of Jerusalem**
(Optional - by Registration only)

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 22, 2016
(Begin Heritage Center)

8:30 – 12:30

Registration is open to all delegates

Session A 9:00 – 10:30

WA1 Round Table - Archival Scholarship in Israel and the Digital Revolution: Possibilities and Perspectives

Co-Chairs: Eva Gurevich and Ari Moshkovski, Brandeis University

Paula Kabalo, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev

Yaacov Lozowick, Israel State Archives

Rami Shtivi, Menachem Begin Heritage Center

Shayna Weiss, Tel Aviv University

WA2 In Their Image: Political Leadership

Chair: Asaf Shamis, Columbia University (ajshamis@gmail.com)

Efrat Seckbach, Ariel University

The Image of Ariel Sharon as a Leader 1953-1987

Guy Ziv, American University

Rhetoric vs. Policy: Rabin and Netanyahu on a Palestinian State

Asaf Shamis, Columbia University

The Presidentialization of the Israeli Premiership

WA3 Childhood in Palestine: Cultural Aspects

Chair: Hizky Shoham, Bar-Ilan University (hizky.shoham@gmail.com)

Galia Hasharoni, University of Haifa

Olives, Sun and Fish Smell: Immigrant Children`s First Encounters with Palestine 1882-1914

Hizky Shoham, Bar-Ilan University

Family Rites of Childhood in British Mandate Era

Vered Tohar, Bar-Ilan University

Translations and Adaptations for Hebrew Children`s Literature 1917-1948: Influences, Trends, Readership, Reception

WA4 Constructions of Place: Spatial Examinations of Israeli Culture

Chair: Vered Weiss, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (vweiss@illinois.edu)

Vered Weiss, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Spatial Metaphors and Gothic Tropes in Hebrew Literature: Illustrations of Nationalism and East/West Tensions within Jewish-Israeli Identities

Shay Rabineau, Binghamton University

Articulating the Body of National Territory: Israeli Hiking, Waymarking, and Mapping during the 1960s

Rebekka Grossmann, the Hebrew University of Jerusalem

The Eastern and the Western Landscape: Photojournalism and the Making of a Jewish National Space

WA5 Terror, Settlement and Counter Settlement

Chair: Menachem Hofnung, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem (msmh@mail.huji.ac.il)

Menachem Hofnung, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Policy Making by Out of Court Settlements: Palestinian Informers at the Israeli High Court of Justice

Ofir Hadad, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Immigration Policy of Israel and the "Threatened" Palestinians Population

Alon Burstein, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

When Conflict becomes Religiousized: Accounting for the Impact of Secular and Religious Ideology on the Tactics of Terror Organizations

WA6 Israel and the Global Media

Chair: Eli Avraham, University of Haifa (eavraham@com.haifa.ac.il)

Eli Avraham, University of Haifa

Fighting Global Anti-Semitism, Stereotypes and Media Bias: Media Strategies to Restore Israel's Image Since 1948

Margalit Toledano, University of Waikato

Continuities in Israel's internal Hasbara: Strategies and Tactics for Unifying the Nation

Lukas Weinbeer, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev

The Career of the Term "Judeo-Nazi": A Critical Analysis of Yeshayahu Leibowitz` Concept and its Representation in European Media

Clila Magen, Bar-Ilan University and Ephraim Lapid, Bar-Ilan University and Ariel University

Israel and the Foreign Media: The Role of the GPO

WA7 Between Social Media Visibility and Civic Effectiveness: Mizrahi Discourse in the Digital Age

Chair: Shoshana Madmoni-Gerber, Suffolk University (smadmoni@suffolk.edu)

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Breaking Through or Treading Water? Social Media in Israel, and Mizrahi Voices of Dissent

Sami Shalom Chetrit, Queens College

Social networks and the new Mizrahi literary scene - the case of Ars-Poetica and facebook

Meir Amor, Concordia University

Mizrahi Social Media Visibility – Headless and Shapeless Voices and Presence

Gal Levy, The Open University Israel

Show Me a Hero: Mizrahi Talk between Activism and Facebookism

WA8 The Palestinian Within

Chair: Elie Rekhess, Northwestern University and Tel Aviv University (e-rekhess@northwestern.edu)

Rami Zeedan, The Zentrum Moderner Orient
The Arab-Palestinian Citizens of Israel and the Legislative Elections of 2015: Identity and Democratic Participation

Maha Sabbah, University of London
Couples' Education and Gender Roles in Palestinian Society in Israel: Change vs. Conservation

Tal Meler, Zefat Academic College
Educated Israeli-Palestinian Single Women Migrating in Search of Work

WA9 Re-thinking the Categories of East and West

Chair: Orit Rozin, Tel Aviv University (orit.rozin@gmail.com)

Orit Rozin, Tel Aviv University
Mandate Palestine between West and East: Jewish Women, the International Arena and the Struggle to Criminalize Child Marriage

Hemi Sheinblat, Tel Aviv University
"American Levantine Goes Live on Air" - East and West in Israel's Acoustic Space in the 1960's

Assaf Likhovski, Tel Aviv University
An Elusive Legacy: Polish Lawyers and Israeli Law

WA10 Understanding Contemporary Israel: Political Challenges

Chair: Rob Pinfold, King's College London

Arieh Sasposnik, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
Zionism in the 21st Century

Itzhak Galnoor, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Israeli Democracy Under Stress

Eitan Alimi, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Extra-parliamentary Politics and Civil Society

WA11 Encountering the Other's Narratives and Agendas in the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict

Chair: Ifat Maoz, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem (msifat@gmail.com)

Rotem Nagar, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Mediated Suffering in Asymmetric Conflict: Mediated Intergroup Encounters with Suffering of Opponents, Recognition and Moral Concern

Maya de Vries, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem
"Al Aqsa is in Danger": The Digital Gatekeepers of al-Aqsa Mosque

Ibrahim Hazbun, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Journalists in Times of Crisis: Experiences and Practices of Palestinian Journalists during the 2014 Gaza War

Moshe Ma'oz, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Historical, Cultural, and Religious Aspects of the Difficult Conversations between Muslims and Jews:
The Case of Temple Mount/ Al-Haram Al-Sharif as a Contested Site

WA12 Inner Stitches in Contemporary Israel

Chair: Arie Sover, Ashkelon Academic College (ariesover@gmail.com)

Melissa Melpignano, UCLA
Choreographing Arab Presence in Contemporary Israel

Arie Sover, Ashkelon Academic College
Don't We Laugh the Same as You? Do Israeli Arabs and Jews Laugh at the Same Humorous Situations?

Lipaz Shamo-Nir and Irene Apfeld-Razpurker, Zefat Academic College
The Power of Religious and National Content to Activate or Moderate Negative Attitudes towards Jews among Muslim and Christian Arabs in Israel

Sylvie Bijaoui, College of Management Academic Studies
Sleeping with the "Enemy": "Mixed Marriages" in the Israeli Media

10:30 – 11:00 COFFEE BREAK

Session B: 11:00 – 12:30

WB1 Between Ethnicity, Nationality and Gender

Chair and Discussant: Deborah Bernstein, University of Haifa (bernstein.deborahs@gmail.com)

Margalit Shilo, Bar-Ilan University
Jewish Yemenite Women's Immigration Experience: an Empowering Experience

Bat-Sheva Margalit Stern, Schechter Institute of Jewish Studies
Thick as Comrades? Yemenite House Workers in Pre-State Israel as a Case-Study for West-East Relations

Tammy Razi, Sapir Academic College
Bint el-Balad: the Life and Works of Simha Tzabari

Lilach Rosenberg-Friedman, Bar-Ilan University
Absorption of Mixed Families (1933 to 1960) in British Mandate Palestine and Israel

WB2 Orientations - Israel and Europe

Chair: Gallia Lindenstrauss, Institute for National Security Studies (gallia@inss.org.il)

Irena Kalhousova, London School of Economics and Political Science
A Representation of the Historical Legacy in the Czech Foreign Policy Towards Israel

Gallia Lindenstrauss, Institute for National Security Studies and **Dinah Phil**, UCLan Cyprus
From Papandreou to Tsipras: the Greek-Israeli Warming of Relations and its Limits

Pavel Pseja, Masaryk University
Transformation of the EU-Israel Relations since 2010: Coming Together or Drifting Apart?

Maor Shani, Jacobs University Bremen
Israeli-German Relations in a Post-Reconciliation Era: Explaining the Prevalence of Secondary and New Antisemitism

WB3 Israel on the Silver Screen

Chair: Felicia Waldman, University of Bucharest (fwaldman@gmail.com)

Dan Chyutin, Tel Aviv University
What is an Israeli Film? "The Juggler" and the Question of Canonicity

Shai Tagner, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev and Roma Tre University
From Patricide to Perpetual Orphanhood: Analysis of 'Atash' and 'Shnat Efes'

Olga Gershenson, University of Massachusetts, Amherst
Zombies and Zionism: Emergence of Israeli Genre Cinema

Alan Weiss, John Abbott College
'Out in the Dark': Teaching Approaches that Encourage Honesty, Humor, and Protection from Accusations of Islamophobia and Bias

WB4 Conflict from Within and Without

Chair: Aviva Halamish, the Open University of Israel (avivaha@openu.ac.il)

Howard Adelman, York University
UNSCOP and East/West Tectonic Plates

Eva Gurevich, Brandeis University
The Faith of Fallen Zionists: The Land of Israel Movement and the post-1967 Public Discourse

Ziv Rubinovitz, Concordia University
The Rise and Decline of the Autonomy Plan, 1967-1982

Guy Freedman and **Amnon Cavari**, Interdisciplinary Center (IDC) Herzliya, and Leticya Bode, Georgetown University
Assessing the Effect of Conflict Frames and Elite Cues on American Public Opinion

WB5 A Woman's Job

Chair: Rachel Harris, University of Illinois (rachels.harris@gmail.com)

Einat Lachover, Sapir Academic College and Sigal Barak-Brandes, Tel Aviv University
Feminist Agency and Social Activism: Mother-Daughter Discourse in a "Dove" Campaign in Israel

Shayna Weiss, Tel Aviv University
Mad Women: The Feminization of the Hebrew Secretary

Noga Cohen, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem
"Ladies, Do you Dream of Amazing Eyebrows?" - A Gender Analysis of Israel's Linguistic Landscape

Yisca Monnickendam-Givon, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev and Brandeis University, Benjamin Gidron, College of Management Academic Studies and Dafna Shwartz, Ben-Gurion

University of the Negev
Quiet Networks within Loud Networks: How Religion and Culture Impact Small Businesses of Ultra Orthodox Women in Israel

WB6 The Case of the Supreme Court

Chair – Alan Craig, University of Leeds

Alexandre Kedar, University of Haifa

Recent decisions of the Israeli Supreme Court and the shaping of the Legal Geography of the Negev

Mohammed Wattad, University of California at Irvine
Israel's Supreme Court: A Story of a Western Orientation

Ruvi Ziegler, University of Reading

Detention of Asylum-Seekers in the High Court of Justice: The Absent-Present 1951 Refugee Convention

WB7 Early Zionist Values and Constructions

Chair: Rachel Fish, Brandeis University (rfish@brandeis.edu)

Yitzhak Conforti, Bar-Ilan University

East and West in Early Zionism: Between Hibbat Zion and Political Zionism

Umut Uzer, Istanbul Technical University

The New Jew and the New Turk: A Comparative Analysis of the Israeli and Turkish Nation Building

Liora Halperin, University of Colorado Boulder

Avraham Shapira and the Zionist Construction of First Aliyah-era Heroism

Avital Ginat, Tel Aviv University

Ottoman, German or English: the Zionist Movement and the Yishuv's Expectations regarding Palestine at the First World War

WB8 Cultural Images between the Lines

Chair: Yael Dekel, Northwestern University (yali.dekel@nyu.edu)

Eran Tzelgov, Northwestern University

Three Moments of Silence: Tracing One Metaphor in the Poetry of Nathan Zach, Carmit Rosen and Tehila Hakimi

Edna Nahshon, Jewish Theological Seminary

Ibn-Zahav's "Shylock, the Jew of Venice" in its Historical and Ideological Context

Dvir Tzur, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Literary Representations of Jerusalem and Tel Aviv: Tension between East and West

Omri Asscher, University of Haifa

"Judaism in Translation": Jewish-American Literature and Culture in Israeli Thought

WB9 A Flame among the Cedars: Lebanon and Israel

Chair: Raphael Cohen Almagor, University of Hull (R.Cohen-Almagor@hull.ac.uk)

Raphael Cohen Almagor, University of Hull
Just and Unjust War: A Study of the Israeli Lebanon War of 1982

Valentina Morselli, Universite Libre de Bruxelles
Israel as "the Last Frontier" Between East And West: A Study Of The First And Second Lebanon Wars

Aviad Rubin and **Ehud Eiran**, University of Haifa
Impact of Diversified Sovereignty on Conflict Dynamics: Israeli-Lebanese Land and Maritime Disputes

WB10 Land and Capital: The Political Geography of Space, Class and Citizenship Status in Israel

Chair: Meir Amor, Concordia University (meir.amor@concordia.ca)

Nitzan Sarig and Oren Yiftachel, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
From Sharon to Sharon: Spatial Planning and Separation Regime in Israel/Palestine

Reut Reina Bendrihem, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
From Development Town to a Gated Community: The Case of Mitzpe Ramon

Moti Gigi, Sapir Academic College and Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
Power Relationship between Development Towns and Kibbutzim: Class, Identity and Space

Meir Amor, Concordia University
Capital and Social Selection: Manufacturing Ashkenazi Supremacy and Mizrahi Subordination in Israel

WB11 Israel as a Middle Eastern State: De-Westernization and Levantinization (B)

Chair: Johannes Becke, Center for Jewish Studies Heidelberg (johannes.becke@hfjs.eu)

Marwa Maziad, University of Washington
Oscillating Civil-Military relations in the Middle East: Egypt, Turkey and Israel

Menahem Merhavy, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Conceptualizing the Rise of Religious Nationalism in the Middle East

Marie-Kristin Thimm, University of the Armed Forces Munich
Really on the Brink of War? Iranian and Israeli Peace Policies through the Prism of their National Identities

WB12 The 'We' via the 'Other': Ethno-National Identities and Social Borders in Public Discourses in and about Israel

Chair and Discussant: Dov Shinar, Hadassah Academic College (dov.shinar@gmail.com)

Dalia Gavriely Nuri and Matan Flum, Hadassah Academic College
The Vanishing of the Ma'abarot: An Absence in Israeli Discourse

Elie Friedman, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem and **Dalia Gavriely Nuri**, Hadassah Academic College
Normalization and Estrangement of Occupation: The Israeli West Bank Political Discourse

Tamar Katriel, University of Haifa
"Why Break the Silence?": Self-Legitimization in Israeli Soldiers' Discourse of Dissent

Oren Livio, University of Haifa

12:30 – 13:30 LUNCH BREAK

Session C: 13:30 – 15:00

WC1 Bi-Focal: Transnational Lenses

Chair: Tammy Razi, Sapir Academic College (tamarr@sapir.ac.il)

Anna Messner, Ludwig Maximilians University, Kunsthistorisches Institut in Florenz and Max Planck Institut
Between East and West: German-Jewish Women Photographers in Israel/Palestine

Ariel Sheetrit, The Open University of Israel
Transnational Imaginings in "Salt of this Sea" and "Villa Touma"

Yaron Shemer, University of North Carolina
"5 Broken Cameras" and the Sixth One: Time, Summud (steadfastness), and Subjectivities

Yael Munk, The Open University of Israel
Transnational Cinema, Post-Ideology and Post-Genderism in "The Slut "

WC2 A Proper Place for a Lady?

Chair: Mira Yungman, The Open University of Israel (mirayu@openu.ac.il)

Maria Cristina Rattighieri, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Women Pioneer: from Trieste to the Promised Land, the Solo Journey of an Italian Jewish Schoolteacher (1856)

Mira Yungman, The Open University of Israel
Women's Zionism in Europe and the USA: 1897-1948

Sigal Davidi, Independent Scholar
The Woman of the East is Awakening to New Horizons: Modernizing Women's Domestic Work in Mandatory Palestine

Dorit Yosef, The Open University of Israel
Everyday Life as a Tool for Establishing a Western Society in the East: The Example of the Jüdische Rundschau and the Mitteilungsblatt

WC3 Round Table - The Utopist of Casablanca: Celebrating the Writings of Makhluf Avitan

Chair: Yael Dekel, Northwestern University (yali.dekel@nyu.edu)

Eran Tzelgov, Northwestern University
Gideon Katz, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev

WC4 Israel and the Palestinians: Between War and Peace

Chair: Hillel Frisch, Bar-Ilan University (hillel.frisch@gmail.com)

Ariel Zellman, Bar-Ilan University

'Hawking' Territorial Conflict: Narrative framing and Cleavage Consistency in Nationalist Politics

Harel Chorev, Tel Aviv University

Palestinian Youth and the Internet on the Current Escalation

Iddo Zelkovich, University of Haifa

National Narrative and Political Problems on Palestinian Stamps, 1995-2014

WC5 On Air and under Press

Chair: Oranit Klein Shagrir, Hadassah Academic College and Open University of Israel (oranitlk@gmail.com)

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Television in Israel is (a)Live and Well: Live and "Simulated Live" Broadcasts in Israeli Television

Dalia Liran Alper and **Alina Berenstein**, College of Management Academic Studies

Teen Drama Series on Israeli Television

Oren Soffer, The Open University of Israel

Decrepitude as a Source of Symbolic Capital: The Case of Galei Zahal

Dorit Zimand-Sheiner, Ariel University and Yechiel Limor, Bar-Ilan University

The Exodus Myth in Commercial Ads in Israeli Secular and Religious Printed Press 1948-2008

WC6 East/West Challenges in the Family

Chair: Lilach Rosenberg-Friedman, Bar-Ilan University (Lilach.Rosenberg@biu.ac.il)

Harriet Hartman, Rowan University

Women's Family and Economic Roles in Israel: Do East and West Converge?

Ya'arit Bokek-Cohen, Bar-Ilan University

Genderizing Marital Status by Othering Never-Married Women in the Semi-Western Israeli Society

Niva Golan-Nadir, University of Haifa and the Israel Institute, DC

Marriage Regulation in Israel and Turkey: the Interplay between Institutional Dynamics and Public Preferences

Darya Maoz, Hadassah Academic College

Dangerous Liaisons – Jewish Female Tourists and Local Arab Men in Sinai Peninsula

WC7 How to Make "The New Jew"? Education in the Yishuv

Chair: Yair Seltenreich, Tel Hai College (yairs@telhai.ac.il)

Nava Dekel, Kerem Institute for Humanistic-Jewish Education and Ruth Kark, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

"Our Period is Enriched with Innovative Pedagogical Theories and Ideas": Western Values in the Ideology of the Teachers in the New Jewish Yishuv

Yair Seltenreich, Tel Hai College

"Children of Our Future": Climate, Degeneration and Education in Hebrew Society in British Mandate

Palestine

Marco Di Giulio, Franklin and Marshall College
The Hebrew Language and Hygiene in the Yishuv

WC8 Women across the Line

Chair: Margalit Shilo, Bar-Ilan University (shmuel.shilo@mail.huji.ac.il)

Naama Teitelbaum-Karrie, Bar-Ilan University
Standing on their Own: Women and Gender in the Knesset Debate about the 1949 Income Tax

Einat Lachover, Sapir Academic College and Linda Steiner, University of Maryland
The Mommy Wars: On the Home Front and wide Abroad

Ayelet Harel-Shalev, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev and Shir Daphnah-Tekoah, Ashkelon Academic College
The "Double Battle": Women Combatants and their Embodied Experiences in War Zones

Sigal Nagar-Ron, Sapir Academic College
Making the Most of "Bad Jobs": Multiple Marginalized Mizrahi Women in the Negev Defy Neo-Liberalism

WC9 Contemporary Israeli Politics

Chair: Uriel Abulof, Tel Aviv University (uriel@tau.ac.il)

Matt Evans, Penn State University
Division of Cabinet Portfolios in Israeli Governments, 1992-2015

Or Honig, Tel Aviv University and **Shaiel Ben-Ephraim**, University of Calgary and Mount Royal University
Appointing the Best Candidates? The Motivations for Choosing Foreign and Defense Ministers, and the Implications for Israel's Foreign Policy

David Ohana, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
Nationalizing Judaism

Uriel Abulof, Tel Aviv University
"People who Dwells Alone"? Israel's Politics of Fear, Bad Faith and Freedom

WC10 Round Table - Archives in Israel

Chair: Miriam Shenkar, Ohio State University (shenkar.2@osu.edu)

Ilana Alon, IDF Archive
Irit Keynan Center for Academic Studies Or Yehuda
Yaacov Lozowick, Israel State Archives

WC11 Round Table - Israel and the World in 2016

Chair: Robert O. Freedman, Johns Hopkins University (rofreedman@comcast.net)

Ilan Peleg, Lafayette College
The Nexus Between Israeli Domestic Politics and its Foreign Policy

Yael Aronoff, Michigan State University
The United States and Israel

Steven David, Johns Hopkins University
Iran and Israel

WC12 "Mind the Gap": Security, Economy and Policy

Chair: Arye Naor, Hadassah Academic College (aryenaor@gmail.com)

Ziv Rubinovitz, Concordia University and Elai Rettig, University of Haifa and George Washington University
Crude Peace: The Role of Oil Trade in the 1979 Israeli-Egyptian Peace Negotiations

Melanie Carina Schmoll, University of Hamburg
Security-related Transformation of the Middle East: Israeli Interplay between EU and 'Arabic allies'

Gabriel Mitchell, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University
Israel's Natural Gas: Balancing Security Interests and Economic Opportunity

COFFEE BREAK 15:00 – 15:30

Session D 15:30 – 17:00

WD1 Sea and Sovereignty: Jaffa and Tel Aviv

Chair – Moshe Naor, University of Haifa

Kobi Cohen-Hattab, Bar-Ilan University
The Establishment of the Tel Aviv Port (1936): Between Economic Marginality and Jewish Maritime Sovereignty

Itamar Radai, University of Haifa
Jaffa - Bride of the Sea

Arnon Golan, University of Haifa
The Battle for Jaffa, 1948

WD2 Integrating Israel Studies and Middle East Studies in the Classroom

Chair: Johannes Becke, Center for Jewish Studies Heidelberg (johannes.becke@hfjs.eu)

Marwa Maziad, University of Washington
Johannes Becke, Center for Jewish Studies Heidelberg
Liora Halperin, University of Colorado Boulder
Oren Barak, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

WD3 Where are we Now?

Chair: Donna Robinson Divine, Smith College (drdivine@smith.edu)

Eyal Lewin, Ariel University

Republiberalism - The Zionist Hybridism that Dominates Israeli Society, Based on Studies following the 2014 "Protective Edge" Operation in Gaza

Judah Troen, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

The Appeal to 'Medinot Metuqqanot' and Return of Galuti Auto-Stereotypes in Knesset Discourse

Or Honig and Hagi Klein, Tel Aviv University

The Gap between Policy and Academia in Israel: Its Sources and Future Trajectories

Shayna Zamkanei, University of Chicago

Diaspora as Practice: Middle Eastern Jews and Refugee Claims

WD4 Policy, Expertise and "Western" Knowledge in the Managing of the Orient

Chair: Ari Barell, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev (abarell@bgu.ac.il)

Nimrod Lin, University of Toronto

Calculating the Future: Emergence of a Zionist Quantitative Political Thought, 1928-1932

Adi Livny, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

The Roads Taken: Scholars of the Hebrew University and their Expeditions of the Orient (1947-1949)

Omri Shafer Raviv, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

'The Professors Committee's Role in the Establishment of the Israeli Occupation

WD5 Law and Order, History and Thought

Chair: Orit Rozin, Tel Aviv University (orit.rozin@gmail.com)

Eyal Katvan and **Boaz Shnoor**, College of Law and Business Israel

Eastern or Western 'Kavod'? Honor in Informal Courts in Mandatory Palestine

Matan Boord, Tel Aviv University

Domestic Violence in Jewish Labor Circles in Mandate Palestine

Yair Sagy, University of Haifa

The Emerging Revisionist Legal History of the 1950s

Ben Herzog, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev

The Construction of Israeli Citizenship Law: Intertwining Political Philosophies

WD6 Building a Nation on its Land

Chair: Arieh Saposnik, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev (saposnik@bgu.ac.il)

Marc Volovici, Princeton University

Jewish Prophecy between Hebrew and German: Ahad Ha-Am Translating Pinsker

Arieh Saposnik, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev

Paving the Way to the Indigenous: "Hasolel" and the Shaping of an East-West Hebrew Indigeneity in Palestine

Ofar Idels, Tel Aviv University

Playing in Hebrew: From 'Turnen' to Competitive Sports in the Jewish Community in Palestine,

1918 -1939

WD7 Right Wing in Israel

Chair: Yechiam Weitz, University of Haifa (yandaweitz@walla.co.il)

Ofira Gruweis-Kovalsky, Zefat Academic College and Brandeis University
Gender Discourse in the Israeli Secular Right Wing Parties during the 1950s

Amir Goldstein, Tel Hai College
Menachem Begin and Gahal during "the Waiting Period"

Yechiam Weitz, University of Haifa
The Relationship between David Ben-Gurion and Menchem Begin (1961-1967):
The Irony of History

Moshe Fuksman Sha'al, Tel Aviv University
Gahal: An Economic and Social Alternative to the Mapai Government

WD8 Civil Rights and Skin Color Discourse

Chair: Henriette Dahan Kalev, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev (henms@bgu.ac.il)

Henriette Dahan Kalev, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
The Genealogy of the Skin Tone Discourse in Israel

Maya Maor, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
Skin Color Stratification in Israel

WD9 Israeli-Arab Peace Encounters

Chair: **David Tal**, University of Sussex (d.tal@sussex.ac.uk)

David Tal, University of Sussex
Who Missed Peace? The Israeli-Egyptian Peace Encounters, 1971-1973

Elie Podeh, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Missed Opportunities in the Arab-Israeli Conflict: The Case of the Arab Peace Initiative

Asaf Siniver, University of Birmingham
Israel and the Jarring Mission: The Nazi Connection

WD10 Nation, Religion and Politics

Chair: Elie Rekhess, Northwestern University and Tel Aviv University (e-rekhess@northwestern.edu)

Gideon Katz, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev and **Isabel Roldan Gomez**, University of Salamanca
Habermas on the Translation of Religion into the Public Sphere: the Case of Israel

Yoram Peri, University of Maryland
The Second Assassination of Rabin: The Political and Sociological Roles of Conspiracy Theories

Joseph Agassi, Tel Aviv University and York University
Israeli Nationalism and Its Costs

17:30 Farewell