# Association for Israel Studies 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Conference June 11-13 2007 The Open University of Israel

# **Program**

General Theme: Israel as an Immigrant Society: Between the Melting Pot and Multiculturalism

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# Sunday, June 10

19:00 - AIS Board Dinner and Meeting

#### Monday, June 11

8:30-16:00 - Conference Registration Desk Open

9:15-11:00 - Panel Session I

#### 1) Ben Kodesh Lehol: On National Revival and Language in Zionism

Revital Amiran Sapir, University of Haifa

Liberated Nation and Emancipated Spirit: Brenner and the Role of the Hebrew Labguage

**Eyal Chowers**, Tel-Aviv University

Democratic Language: Reflections on C.N. Bialik

**Annabel Herzog**, University of Haifa

Nation Building and Language Deconstruction: Scholem and Derrida on Zionism and the Hebrew Language

# 2) Gendered Perspectives on Israeli-Palestinian Relations

Russell Stone, American University

Gender in Palestine Election, January 25, 2006

Siobhan Byrne, Queen's University

Identity Politics and Women in Israel and the Palestinian Territories

Sarai Aharoni, Bar-Ilan University

Challanging the Dogma: The Israeli-Palestinian Peace Process From Below

Limore Ricine, University College London

Porcupine Kisses: Women in Israeli Jewish and Arab Couples

#### 3) Israel Between Al-Aqsa Intifada & Lebanon

Chair and Discussant: Yoram Peri, Tel-Aviv University

Ian Lustick, University of Pennsylvania

Israel and Ha-Botz Ha-Mizrach Tichoni

Tamir Libel, Bar-Ilan University

Crossing the Lebanese Swamp: Doctrinal and Structural Adaptation of the IDF to

Counterinsurgency Warfare and its Implication for Al-Aqsa Intifada

**Eytan Gilboa**, Bar-Ilan University and the University of Southern California Israel's Image and Reputation in the World

Yoram Peri, Tel Aviv University

The First Mediatized War: Israel and the Hezbolla in the Summer of 2006

#### 4) Israel Foreign Policy in Historical Perspective

**Uri Bialer**, Hebrew University

"When We Were Partners": Israel, Iran and the Eilat-Ashkelon Oil Pipline

Eli Podeh, Hebrew University

Commemorating thwe Suez 1956 Golden Jubilee: Israel and Arab Counter-Memories

Zaki Shalom, Ben-Gurion University

Could the Yom Kippur War Have Been Averted?

Raymond Cohen, Hebrew University

Israel's Stewardship of The Christian Holy Places in Comparative Perspectives

# 5) Negotiating the Past/ Constucting the Future: New Directions in the Representation of Minorities in Contemporary Israeli Media

Chair: Shoshana Madmoni-Gerber, Suffolk University

**Yosef Raz**, Tel-Aviv University and Sapir College

The Past is Dead: Melancholia and Fantasy in Benny Torati's Desperado Square

Shoshana Madmoni-Gerber, Suffolk University

Coalition of Minorities and the Power of Self Representation

Eli Avraham, University of Haifa, Anat First, Netanya Academic College

Does the Perceived Identity of the Regular Affect Programming Decisions?

Gender, Ethnicity, Nationality and Religiosity as Predictors of the

Representation of the "Other" on Prime Time Television

Gonen Hacohen, University of Haifa

Who is "We" in Israel Radio Phone-In Programs

#### 6) Immigration and Education

Yael Katzir, Levinski College of Education, Yael Sha'ibi, Levinski College of Education

Intercultural Educational Mediators of Ethiopian Jewish Origins in Israeli Schools: Cultural and Professional Identity

Nava Masalovaty, Bar-Ilan University, Nava Shafrir, Bar-Ilan University

The Relationship Between Empathy, Social Cognition and Willingness for Friendship with Immigrant and Veteran Children

Assaf Meshulam, University of Wisconsin-Madison

State, Counter-Hegemonic Struggle and Education in Israel

Eli Shitreet, Bar-Ilan University, Nava Masalovaty, Bar-Ilan University, Yaacov Iram, Bar-Ilan University

The Effect of Social Support Group on the Adaptation of Ethiopian Immigrant Adolescents in Youth Villages

#### 7) Multiculturalism and Eruptive/Disruptive Voices

**Eran Tzalgov**, New York University

The Poetry of the Other in a State of Multiculturalism

Hanita Brand, The Academic College of Tel Aviv Yaffo

Literature and Co-Existence in the Middle East

Miri Kubovi, Harvard University

The Quest for Identity: The Case of Orly Castel-Bloom

#### 8) Jewish Diaspora and Israeli War for Survival

Nathan Aridan, Ben-Gurion University

Who Led Who? The Diaspora and Israel Lobby: The Formative Years

**Amnon Caveri**, University of Wisconsin-Madison, **Jushua M. Cowen**, University of Wisconsin-Madison

Mediating Public Attitudes of Foreign Policy Through the Israeli Prism

**Aviad Rubin**, McGill University, **Ofir Rubin**, Iowa State University

For Love of Zion?: Reassessing the Motivations for Supporting Israel Among

Diaspora Jews and Former Israelis

Shmuel Sandler, Bar-Ilan University

Is There a Jewish Foreign Policy?

11:30-13:15 - Panel Session II

#### 9) Arab-Israeli Conflict: A Solution?

Massoud Eghbarieh, Beit Berl College.

Track II Diplomacy: Aplication to the Arab Palestinian-Israeli Conflict.

Lauri Zittrain Eisenberg, Carnegie Mellon University.

The New Technology in the University Classroom: Virtual Palestinian-Israeli Peace.

Uri Petrushevsky, Bar Ilan University.

The Origins of Post-Communist Russia's Mediation Policy Towards Arab-Israeli Conflict.

Ilana Kaufman, The Open University of Israel.

Grassroots Protest Activity and Mitigation of Conflict: Can it Make a Difference?

#### 10) Images of the Melting Pot

Inbal Ben-Asher Gitler, Sapir Academic College

The Negev Region as a Multicultural Experiment: The Role of Architecture in Absorbing Immigrant Societies

Doli Benhaviv, The Open University of Israel

Intergenerational Conflict: The Case of Young Mizrahi Female Immigrants in the 1950s

Smadar Shiffman, Tel Aviv University

Amir Gutfreund's *The World, A Little Later*: An Alternative Multicultural Melting Pot?

11) Israeli Women Studies -- Round Table Following the Book by Esther Fuchs,

Womens' Studies: A Reader, Rutgers University Press, 2005.

Esther Fuchs, University of Arizona

**Hanna Herzog**, Tel-Aviv University

Orly Lubin, Tel-Aviv University

Tamar El-Or, Hebrew University

#### 12) Immigration to Israel from Muslim Coutries [I]

Chair and Discussant: Bat-Zion Eraqi-Klorman, The Open University of Israel

Reuben Ahroni, Ohio State University

Post Operation 'On Eagles Wings': The Attitude of the Yemenite Jewish Remnants

Towards Emigration to Israel

# Esther Meir-Glizenstein, Ben-Gurion University

Jewish Immigration from Iraq to Israel: A Controversial Debate in Israeli Society

# Rachel Simon, Yale University

Tripoli is not Tel-Aviv: Conservatism and Acculturation Among Libyan Jews in Israel

# Nitza Druyan, Hofstra University

The Yemenites: Zionist Dreams Realized and Abandoned

## 13) Holocaust and Israel

# Roni Strauber, Tel Aviv University

Memory and Diplomacy: Israel's Diplomats in West Germany and the

Confrontation with the Nazi Past

#### **Amir Peleg**, Ben Gurion University

Leadership, Politics and Memory: Menachem Begin and the Holocaust, 1939-1948

# Idit Gil, The Open University of Israel

A Historiography of Israeli Collective Memory

# 14) Identity Construction among Israeli Higher Education Students

Chair: **Galit Saada-Ophir**, Hebrew University

Svetlana Chachashvili-Bolotin, Tel-Aviv University, Yossi Shavit, Tel-Aviv

University, **Hanna Ayalon**, Tel-Aviv University

The Immigration of the 1990s from the Former Soviet Union and Israeli Higher Education

# Moti Gigi, Tel-Aviv University

Center-Periphery Relationship in Sapir Academic College

#### Sarab Abu-Rabia-Queder, Ben-Gurion University and Hebrew University

Pioneer Bedouin Women in Israeli Higher Education: Conflicts and Coping Mechanisms

#### Galit Saada-Ophir, Hebrew University

The Interpolation of the Good and the Jewish God: The Formation of Students Identity in the Framework of the Hillel House at the Hebrew University

#### 15) Labor Migration [I]

Chair: Adriana Kemp, Tel-Aviv University

Sarah S. Willen, Harvard University

Imaging Different Israelis: The Divergent Voices of Israeli Migrant Aid

Activists in Tel-Aviv

Sonia Bloomfield, Montgomery College

The Presence of Brazilian Evangelical Churches in Israel

Roby Nathanson, Macro - The Center for Political Economics

Migrant Workers in Israel: Local and Global Implications

#### 16) When Nationalist States Confront Gendered Societies

Chair and Discussant: Henriette Dahan-Kalev, Ben-Gurion University

Caren Beleg, University of Washington

Honor Killing and State-Family Relations in Turkey and Israel

Lauren Basson, Ben-Gurion University

Israeli Blind Spots: How Nationalism Engenders Its Own Contradictions

13:15-14:30 - Lunch

13:15-14:30 - Lunch Meeting - AIS Task Force on Israeli Studies Centers and Chairs

14:30-16:15 - Panel Session III

# 17) Israeli Security Dilemmas

**Eytan Barak**, Hebrew University

Under the Shadow of a Nuclear Iran: Israel's Arms Control Policy and the

Prospects of Arms Control Regimes in the Middle East

Walid Shomaly, Palestine Center for Research and Cultural Dialogue

Threats to the State of Israel

**Dylan Hanley**, University of Calgary

Israel's Non-Prolifiration Diplomacy: The Challenges that Come With

**Exceptional Status** 

Michael Keren, University of Calgary

Israel's Security Discourse

#### 18) Immigration to Israel from Muslim Countries [II]

Chair and Discussant: Bat-Zion Eraki-Klorman, The Open University of Israel

Haim Saadon, The Open University of Israel

Underground Activity and Illegal Immigration from Muslim Countries

#### Michael M. Laskier, Bar-Ilan University

Negotiations Over Aliya From Morocco and the Making of Israeli-Moroccan Relations, 1960-1963

#### Yaron Tzur, Tel-Aviv University

Who "Made" the History of the Jewish State: A Glimpse into the Archives of a Yemenite Leader

#### 19) Architecture and Language in the Building of a New Society

#### Edina Meyer-Maril, Tel-Aviv University

Youth Villages in Israel - Design and Architecture for a Utopian Education.

Yael Reshef, Hebrew University, Anat Helman, Hebrew University

Instructing or Recruiting? Municipal Posters in the 1920s and 1930s Tel-Aviv

Diana Dolev, Unaffiliated Scholar

Architecture in the Service of the Melting Pot Ideology: Success and Failure

#### 20) Gender, Nation, Politics

# Esther Fuchs, University of Arizona

Gender, Nation and Politics: Feminist Hebrew Literary Critics Theorize the Literary Text

#### **Tsila Ratner**, University of London

Redundant Mothers: On Literary Representation of Women's Military Service

#### Hadar Makov-Hasson, New York University

"You Can See Life on the Street Better Through the Window": Gender and Nation in Israeli Women's Novels 1948-1966

# Tal Ben-Zvi, Tel-Aviv University

Between Nationality and Gender: Representations of Female Body in Palestinian Women's Art

#### 21) Historical and Social Perspectives on Health and Zionism

Chair: Ronald Zweig, New York University

Raphael Falk, Hebrew University

Eugenics and Zionism in Palestine

Rakefet Zalashik, New York University

The Psychiatric Refugees' Community in Palestine, 1933-1945

Nadav Davidovitch, Ben-Gurion University

Public Health, Racial Tensions and Body Politics: Mass Ringworm Irradiation in Israel, 1949-1960

**Snait Gisis**, Tel-Aviv University

When is "Race" a Race?

#### 22) Jewish and Palestinian Citizens in Israel

**Mohamed Massalha**, The Open University of Israel, **Gal Levi**, The Open University of Israel

Becoming Citizens of Yaffa: Motivations and Agency in the Case of Yaffa School

Sammy Smooha, University of Haifa

Multiculturalism and the Index of Arab-Jewish Relations in Israel

Dan Soen, Academic College of Judea and Samaria, Nitza Davidovitch, Academic

College of Judea and Samaria, Michal Kolan, Western Galilee College

A Discourse of Diversity: Arab Students' Perspectives on Institutional Climate -

A Study of Two Public Colleges in Israel

Nitza Davidovitch, Academic College of Judea and Samaria, Dan Soen, Academic

College of Judea and Samaria, Michal Kolan, Western Galilee College

A Question of Identity: On the Israeli Identity of Arab and Jewish Students in Two College Campuses

#### 23) Labor Migration [II]

Chair: Rivka Raijman, University of Haifa

Adriana Kemp, Tel-Aviv University, Nathan Marom, Tel-Aviv University

The Deportation of Migrant Workers from Israel: Assessing the Singularity,

Success and Sustainabilty of a Contentious Policy

**Oded Korczyn**, Stanford University

Labor Migrants and the Detainees' Court: The Janus Face of the State

Ofer Sitbon, Tel-Aviv University

The Role of Courts in Israel and France in Designing the Policy Towards Migrant Workers

16:30-18:15 - - Panel Session IV

# 24) Sacred and Profane Bodies

Yael Feldman, New York University

Issac is the Passive Object of the Experiment!: The Akedah and the Intellectual Melting Pot of the 1950s

Yael Dekel, New York University

"Mother, Can't You See I'm Burning?": Motherhood and Speech in Palestinian and Israeli Poems

Batya Brutin, Beit Berl College

Women's Representations in Israeli Holocaust Monuments

Nitsa Kann, Dickinson College

"Damsel, Arise": Christianity as Alternative in Modern Hebrew Literature

#### 25) Second Generation Immigrants in Israel and Beyond

Chair: Larissa Remennick, Bar-Ilan University

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Introduction: The Second Immigrant Generation Between Home and Host Cultures

Nelly Elias, Ben-Gurion University, Adriana Kemp, Tel-Aviv University

The New Second Generation in Israel: Key issues and Main Challenges

Aviva Zeltzer-Zubida, Ruppin Academic Center

The Integration of Second Generation Immigrants in New York

Karin Amit, Ruppin Academic Center

Socio-Economic Assimilation of Second Generation Immigrants in Israel

Graciela Spector-Bitan, Hebrew University

Spanish Is Well and Living in Israel: Spanish Maintenance Among Second Generation of Latin-Americans in Israel

# 26) Community Politics and Networks

Ofir Abu, Brandeis Univeristy

The Mizrahi Democratic Rainbow Coalition: Between Discourse and Practice **Uri Cohen**, Tel-Aviv University, **Shachar Nativ**, Tel Aviv University and Oxford University

The Role of Epistemic Communities in the Construction of Institutions: The Hebrew University of Jerusalem 1920-1948

Lee Cahaner, University of Haifa

New Settlements or Just New Satellites? The Development of the Ultra-Orthodox Spatial Structure in Israel

# 27) Dispelling Myths and Adding Dimensions: Understanding the Complex of US-Israel Relations

Chair and Disccusant: Bryan Daves, Yeshiva University

Yossi Shain, Georgetown University and Tel-Aviv University

Who Speaks for the Jews and With What Authority?

Reeva Simon, Yeshiva University

Politics and Popular Culture: The Portrayal of Israel and Israelis in American Crime Fiction

Bryan Daves, Yeshiva University

A "Reality Check" on Realists: A Critique of Mearsheimer and Walt's *The Israel Lobby* 

Jonathan Rynhold, Bar-Ilan University

US-Israel Relations and the Peace Process

#### 28) Immigration in the Pre-State Era

(Co-sponsored by Keren Kayemeth Leisrael)

Eyal Katvan, Bar-Ilan University

Who is the Landlord?: The Early Formation of the Examination System for Immigrants to Palestine

Yael Dinowitz, Hebrew University

Between Integration and Landlessness: Immigration from Poland Between the Two World Wars and its Encounter with the "Zionist Melting Pot"

#### Yael Epstein, Ben-Gurion University

From Being Anti-Zionists to Building Israel's Scientific Institutes: The Jewish Identity of Refugee Jewish Chemists from the Nazi Regime

# 29) Mainstreaming Popular Culture

# Dalia Gavrieli-Nuri, Bar-Ilan University

The Social Construction of "Jerusalem of Gold" as Israel's Unofficial National Anthem

Ronit Seter, Johns Hopkins University and George Washington University

Give Us Typical Israeli Music: Multiple National Identities Expressing Israelism

Steve Fraiberg, University of Illinois

"Blazing" a New Trail in an Israeli Men's Magazine: Mastering the Master Narrative of Israeli Society

Rachel Harris. Unaffiliated Scholar

Existentialism al ha-autobus: Encounters in Modern Hebrew Literature

#### 30) Israel Studies: Past and Future -- Round Table

Cahir: **David Nachmias**, Interdiciplinary Center

Dan Ben-David, Tel-Aviv University

Mitchell Bard, America-Israel Cooperative Enterprise

**Russell Stone**, American University

Ilan Troen, Ben-Gurion University and Brandeis University

#### 31) Arab-Israeli Conflict: Visions and Divisions

Claudia Batson Martines, Instituto de Defesa Nacional, Ruth Domingues, Instituto de Defesa Nacional

New Battle of Algiers - Israel-Arab Conflict.

Dilon L. Hoiser, California State University.

Palestinians' Ties to Terrorism: Understanding the Profusion of Hamas Through Social Network Theory.

#### **Uriel Abulof**, Hebrew University

A Silent Question: The Role of Normative Dialogue in the Israeli-Arab Conflict

18:30 - Exhibition Opening - "Visual Israeliness", Curated By Alik Mishory, The Open University of Israel

#### 19:30 - Annual AIS Banquet (By Paid Tickects Only)

Keynote Speaker: **Prof. Shlomo Avineri**, Department of Political Science, Hebrew University, Former Director-General, Ministry of Foreign Affairs; Recipient of the Israel Prize: "On Multi-Culturalism, Solidarity and the Law of Return"

# Tuesday, June 12

8:30-4:00 p.m. - Conference Registration Desk Open

9:00-10:45 - Panel Session V

#### 32) Class and Ethnic Bounderies

Dana Kaplan, The Open University of Israel

Reproducing Class Boundaries: Intergenerational Relationships and Upper-Middle Class Weddings

Etan Bloom, Tel-Aviv University

"Kaza-kazablan" and the Differentiation of the "Oriental" (Mizrahi) in the 1950s Israeli Social Field

Joyce Dalsheim, University of North Carolina at Charlotte

Twice Removed: Mizrahi Settlers in Gush Katif

Sonja Flathus, University of Oslo

The State's Threefold Immigration Engine, Reconfiguration of the Social Power Structural Space and the Jewish-Arab Conflict

#### 33) Critical Junctures in the Formation of Israeli Statehood

Chair: **Derek Penslar**, University of Toronto

Meir Chazan, Tel-Aviv University

The Dispute in Mapai on the Policy of "Restraint" and the Birth of the Term "Purity of Arms"

#### Avi Bareli, Ben-Gurion University

State and Socialism in the Israeli Mamlachtiut During the Fifties

**Orit Rozin**, Tel-Aviv University

Right of Exit Policy as a Prism for Political, Security and Economic Changes

**Noa Schonmann**, University of Oxford

Israeli Foreign and Security Policy

# 34) Israeli Foreign Policy after the Israel-Hizbolla War

Chair: **Robert O. Freedman**, Hebrew University of Baltimore and Johns Hopkins University

Eyal Zisser, Tel-Aviv University

Israel's Relations with Syria and Lebanon

Uzi Rabi, Tel-Aviv University

Israel's Relations with Saudi Arabia

David Menashri, Tel-Aviv University

Israel and Iran

Robert O. Freedman, Hebrew University of Baltimore and Johns Hopkins

University

Israel and the United States

#### 35) Israeli Values & Identity

Myron Aronoff, Rutgers University

Contested Israeli Identity

**Shlomo Egoz**, Bar-Ilan University

Safety, Sustenance and Self Expression in Israeli Value System

Benyamin Neuberger, The Open University of Israel

Different Concepts of Israeli Democracy

Gideon Katz, Ben-Gurion University

The Israeli Kulturkampf

#### 36) Collective Memory, Culture and Identity in Mass Communication

Oren Meyers, University of Haifa

Israeli Journalists and the Constructed Legacy of Haolam Hazeh

Eyal Zandberg, Netanya Academic College

The Right to Tell the (Right) Story: Cultural Authority, Collective Memory and Israeli Journalists

Oren Soffer, The Open University of Israel

The Eraser and the Anti-Eraser: The Ideological and Cultural Implication of the Battle Over Color Television in Israel

**Motti Neiger**, Netanya Academic College and **Avishai Josman**, University of Haifa and Netanya Academic College

Of All The Girls in the World: Reality Shows and the Romantic Utopia Between the Global and the Local

# 37) Between Eurasia and the Middle East: Russian-Speaking Immigramts' Electoral Behavior in Israel

Chair and Discussant: **Robert O. Freedman**, The Baltimore Hebrew University and Johns Hopkins University

Ze'ev Khanin, Bar Ilan University and The Interdisplinary Center

"Inherited" and "Adopted" Models of Russian-Speaking Immigrants' Voting Patterns

Alek Epstein, The Open University of Israel

After Sharansky: Russian Political Leaders in Israel - An Elite Without Successors

Marina Shorer-Zeltser, College of Judea and Samaria

New Voting Methods in Israel: Simulation of Political Power of Russian-Speaking Immigrants on Implementation of Two Voting Methods

**Zvi Gitelman**, University of Michigan, **Ken Goldstein**, University of Wisconsin-Madison

Why Do The "Russians" Vote for the Right? Tracking Russian Immigrants' Voting Behavior in Israel

#### 38) Dynamics of Immigration and Emigration

Lilach Lev Ari, Oranim Academic College and Bar-Ilan University

Social Networks, Gender and Absorption of Israeli Emigrants to the USA

Avram Hein, Legacy Heritage Fund

Ideological Migration: A Detailed Study on North American Jewish Immigration to Israel

#### Maya Benish, Hebrew University

Characteristics of Successful and Unsuccessful Immigrants' Stories

# 39) Zionism and Identity Politics [I]

Colin Schindler, University of London

Irish Republicanism and the Zionist Right

**Aviad Bar-Haim**, The Open University of Israel, **Yaakov Bar-Haim**, Unafffilated Scholar

Exploring Patterns of Organization and Activity of Zionist Groups in the Soviet Union During the 1920s

Taro Tsurumi, University of Tokyo

How the Russian Empire Ideologically Effected the Formation of Zionism:

Sociological Inquiry into Nationalism in the Eastern Empire

Kris Kotarski, University of Calgary

Contemplating the Myth of Avraham Stern: Wankowicz and Stern in Tel-Aviv

11:15-13:00 - Panel Session VI

#### 40) Israel 1948: Institutions and Processes

Chair: Mordechai Bar-On, Yad Ben-Zvi Institute

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Has Israel Accepted the Bounderies Set After the War of Independence?

**Shlomit Keren**, University of Calgary

Institutionalization of the IDF Chaplaincy

Moshe Naor, University of Toronto

The Day After Yesterday: The Israeli Post 1948 Reconstruction

Paula Kabalo, Ben-Gurion University

Civil Society in Transition: Jewish Citizen Associations in Israel, 1948-1949

#### 41) Social Memory, the Holocaust and Israeli Society [I]

Chair: Vered Vinitzky-Seroussi, Hebrew University

Irit Dekel, New School for Social Research

Names and Numbers: Yad Vashem, The Holocaust Memorial in Berlin and the

**Individuation of Memory** 

Ruth Linn, University of Haifa

How "Collective" is a War's Collective Memory?

Sharon Geva, Tel-Aviv University

"It Was Not Courage, It is My Duty": The Image of "Kapo" in the Israeli Discourse During the Eichman Trail

Mooli Brog, Unaffilated Scholar

Landscape of Memory and National Identity: Holocaust Commemoration at Yad Vashem

42) 40 Years to Mass Jewish Immigration From the Soviet Union - Round Table

Chair and Discussant: **Baruch Gur**, The Open University of Israel and University of Haifa

Oded Eran, The Interdiciplinary Center

**Ted Friedgut**, Hebrew University

Matityahu Mayzel, Tel-Aviv University

# 43) Candidate and Leadership Selection Methods: Israel in Comparative Perspective

Chair and Discussant: Avraham Brichta, University of Haifa

Reuven Y. Hazan, Hebrew University, Gideon Rahat, Hebrew University

The Significance of Candidate Selection: Israel in Comparative Perspective

**Ofer Kenig**, Hebrew University

Selecting Party Leaders in Israel and Beyond: Do Wider Selectorates Produce More Competitive Contests

Maoz Rosenthal, The Open University of Israel

The Policy Immplication of Intra-Party Institutions in Parliamentary Democracy

Nir Atmore, Hebrew University

The Relationships Between Candidate Selection Methods and Electoral Systems in Israel and Other Western Democracies

#### 44) Challenges of the Education System in Israel

Eitan Schiffman, Sapir College and Ben-Gurion University

Identities, Interests and Changing Modes of Segmentation in Israel Schooling

# Marina Niznik, Tel-Aviv University

Russian Language and Language of Politics in Israel

# Michael Philippov, University of Haifa

Homo Sovieticus and the Political Culture of the 1990s Immigrants from FSU in Israel

#### Eithan Orkibi, Tel-Aviv University, Uri Cohen, Tel-Aviv University

Faculty and Students in the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, 1967-1972

# 45) The Media as Shaping and Reflecting Public Attitudes

Smadar Sharon, Tel-Aviv University, Inna Leykin, Tel-Aviv University, Hanna Herzog, Tel-Aviv University

Racism and the Politics of Signification: Israeli Public Discourse on Racism Toward Palestinian Citizens

**Inbal Unger**, University of Wisconsin-Madison, **Amnon Caveri**, University of Wisconsin-Madison

Israel in the American Public Eye: The Role of the American Press in Shaping Public Opinion on the Region

#### Ruth Ebenstein, Hebrew University

What's Black on the Outside and Blue-and-White on the Inside? The Implicit Zionism of the Israeli Haredi Society

# Amit Schejter, Pennsylvenia State University

The Stranger That Dwelleth With You Shall Be Unto You as One Born Among You: Israeli Media Law and the Cultural Rights of the Palestinian Israeli Minority

#### 46) Immigrant Childhood in Mandatory Palestine

#### Yael Darr, Tel-Aviv University

Narrating the "Project of Immigrant Absorptions" in Hebrew Children's Literature of the Yishuv

#### **Dafna Hirsch**, Tel-Aviv University

"Almost Every Immigrant Child is a Problem": School Hygiene and the Immigration of People and Ideas in Mandatory Palestine

Na'ama Sheffi, Sapir Academic College

German Traces in Modern Hebrew Culture: Translations for Children until 1948

Tammy Razi, Ben-Gurion University and Sapir Academic College

Immigration and its Discontents: Neglected Children of urban Immigrant Families During the 1930s and 1940s

#### 47) Zionism and Identity Politics [II]

Yizhak Kerem, Aristotle University, Greece

The Others: Issues of Intergation, Acceptance and Rejection of the Sepharadim/ Mizrahim in Israeli Society

Daphne Tsimhoni, Hebrew University and The Technion

The State of Israel, the Arab-Israeli Conflict and the Exodus of Jews From Arab

Lands: The Case of Iraq and Egypt

Noam Pianko, University of Washington

Zionism and the Shaping of Multiculturalism

**Pedro Goldfarb**, Hebrew University

The First Latin-American Members of Hashomer Hazair at Kibbutz Hanegba, 1946-1949

13:15-14:15 - Lunch

14:15-16:00 - Panel Session VII

# 48) Mass Immigration

Alon Pauker, Yad Ya'ari, Givat Haviva

Kibbutz Expectations of Mass Immigration and Problems of the Melting Pot

Rhona Seidelman, Ben-Gurion University, Shifra Shvarts, Ben-Gurion University,

**Ilan Troen**, Ben-Gurion University and Brandeis University

Yehuda Weisberger: The Official Voice of Sha'ar Ha'aliya

Shifra Shvarts, Ben-Gurion University

Politics and Health: The Impact of International Health Organizations on the Care

Of New Immigrants in Israel in 1950s

Discussant: **Dvora Hacohen**, Bar-Ilan University

# 49) "Now I am Free": Women's Empowerment as a Result of Immigration

(Including a screening of the film "Now I am Free" by Gadi Kviatek)

Yael Katzir, Beit Berl Academic College

Yael Katzir, Leviski College of Education

Gadi Kviatek, Beit Berl Academic College

#### 50) Periphery and Identity: Mizrahim in Israeli Film, Music and Television

Yaron Shemer, University of Texas, Austin

The Name of the Father and the Play of the Mother: A Psychoanalytical Reading of Rami Kimchi's Ethnic Cinema

# Galeet Dardashi, University of Texas, Austin

The Piyut Craze: The Popularization of Religious Mizrahi Poetic Songs in the Israeli Public Sphere

#### Michal Hamo, New York University

Israeli Public Discourse With and About Mizrahim: A Case Study of Popular Television

#### Sigalit Banai, Tel Aviv University

Arabic and Iranian Films in Hebrew? Tracing the Middle-Eastern Roots of Israeli Cinema

# 51) Social Memory, the Holocaust and Israeli Society [II]

Tamir Sorek, University of Florida

Cautious Commemoration: Palestinian Memorial Monuments in Israel

**Efrat Ben-Ze'ev**, Ruppin Academic Center, **Edna Lumsky-Feder**, Hebrew University

From 1948 to 1973: The Generational Framework of Memory

#### Yael Zerubavel, Rutgers University

Memory, Identity and the Politics of Representation: Desert Tourism in Israel

#### Vered Vinitzky-Seroussi, Hebrew University

Time, Space and Memorial Demonstration: Commemoration and Israeli-Jewish Society.

# 52) Transitions and Forces in the Israeli Legal System

Meital Pinto, University of Toronto

On Offences to Religious Feelings in Israel

Yaara Lamberger-Kenar, University of Toronto

Revolution or Evolution? Exclusion of Evidence in Israeli Law

**Udi Sommer**, State University of New York, Stony Brook

A New Institutional Approach to Judicial Decision Making With Application to the Israeli High Court

**Gideon Doron**, Tel-Aviv University, **Assaf Meydani**, The Academic College of Tel-Aviv Yaffo

Should Israel Establish a Constitutional Court?

#### 53) The Challenge to Conflicting Values

Judith Agassi Buber, Tel-Aviv University

The Family in Israel

Gal Ariely, University of Haifa

The Hierarchy of the Citizenship: Approaches of Jewish Groups Toward Citizen's Rights of Non-Jews

Esther Eillam, Unaffilated Scholar (H. Ph.D From the Hebrew University)

Grassroots Leadership of Women - Theory and Practice of Non-Hegemonic Feminism

**Inbal Cicurel**, Ashkelon Colleg, **Rachel Sharaby**, Ashkelon College and Bar-Ilan University

To Be Ethiopian and Israeli: Ethiopian Women Immigrants Coping With Preserving Purification Customs

54) **Meet the Author** (Double Session Devoted to Three books on Emigration from the Former Soviet Union)

#### Part I

**Zeev Khanin** & **Boris Morozov** (2005), Traitors to Mother Russia: Jewish Emigration Through Soviet Eyes, Tel-Aviv, Tel-Aviv University Press.

**Larissa Remennick** (2007), Russian Jews in Three Countries: Identity, Integration and Conflict, Piscataway, NJ, Transaction Publishers.

# 55) Religious Zionism: Ideology and Community

Etta Bick, Academic College of Judea and Samaria

A Clash of Authority: Lay Leaders and Rabbis Within Religious Politics

Yoel Watchel, Georgetown University

The Thought and Political Legacy of Rav Zvi Yehuda Kook

Hanna Herzog, Tel-Aviv University

Imagined Communities: State, Religion and Jewish Religious Women Settlers

# 56) The New Politics of Inequality

Orly Benjamin, Bar-Ilan University

The Povertizing Power of a De-Regulated State

Sharon Asiskovitch, Hebrew University

To Play the Game the Best You Can: Bureaucratic Politics and Unintended Outcomes of Changes in the Israeli Welfare System

**Anat Maor**, The Open University of Israel and Ruppin Academic Center Interpretation of the Standard of Living in Israel

Sylvie Fogiel-Bijaoui, Beit Berl Academic College

Inequality and its Discontent? Motherhood in the Kibbutz in Neo-Liberal Era

# 57) The Enigma of Jewish Nationalism in Turn of the Century Europe

Chair and Discussnat: Alon Rachamimov, Tel-Aviv University

Ela Bauer, University of Haifa

Between Polish Positivism and Jewish Nationalism

**Semion Goldin**, Hebrew University

The Threat of Jewish Nationalism in Early Polish and Russian Nationalist Thought

Scott Ury, Tel-Aviv University

Popular Culture and Participatory Politics: On the Culture of Modern Jewish Politics in Turn of the Century Eastern Europe

Arie B. Saposnik, Arizona State University

Who Needs Territory? Territorialism, Zionism and the Fate of the Jews

# 58) Utopia, Sytopia, Hetrotopia

Ilana Szobel, New York University

"There I Know a Delight Beyond Delight": Dystopia and Utopia in the Work of Dalia Rabikovitch

Shiri Goren, Yale University

Unhomely Homes: War at Home: The Public Role of Private Spaces

Rachel Brenner, University of Wisconsin-Madison

The Women Writer and Her Engagement With the World in Ruth Almog's Fiction

# 59) Moving Images of Immigration and Acculturation

Sandra Meiri, The Open University of Israel, Yael Munk, The Open University of Israel

On Castration and Immigration: Kosashvilli's Film *Gift from Heaven* **Janet Burstein**, Drew University

Male Filmmakers and the Engendering of Israeli Women: Nir Bergman's *Broken Wings* and Judd Neeman's *Nuzhat al Fuad* 

Ester Levanon-Mordoch, Oranim College; and Kibutzim College of Education

The Female Immigrant Representation: A Gender Stereotype Perspective in Two

Plays (An Immigrant Comes and Goes, Joseph Mundi & Uri-Muri, Yitzhak BenNer)

#### Lea Fima, McGill University

Resisting Homogeneity in Shmuel and Amir Hasfari's Film The Schwatz Dynasty

#### 60) The 1977 Political Upheaval - Perspectives of 30 Years -- Round Table

(Co-Organized By the Israeli Political Science Association)

Chair: Dani Koren, Tel-Aviv University and Beit Berl Academic College

Asher Arian, University of Haifa

Gideon Doron, Tel-Aviv University

Tamar Hermann, The Open University of Israel

**Ilan Peleg**, Lafayette College

# 61) Meet the Author

#### Part II

Eliezer Ben-Rafael et al., Building a Diaspora: Russian Jews in Israel, Germany

and America, Leiden; Boston: Brill, 2006.

Chair: Yossef Gorny, Tel-Aviv University

Maria Yelenevskaya, The Technion

Olaf Gluckner, University of Potsdam

Moshe Lissak, Hebrew University

Discussant: Eliezer Ben-Rafael, Tel-Aviv University

18:15-19:00 -- **Reception** (co-sponsored by the Israeli Political Science Association)

# 19:15 Pluralism in Israel: From Melting Pot to Salad Bowl.

Plenary in Honor of Prof. Moshe Lissak (co-sponsored by Yad Ben-Zvi)

Chair: Aviva Halamish, The Open University of Israel

Shmuel N. Eisenstadt, Hebrew University

Zohar Shavit, Tel Aviv University

Avi Picard, University of Maryland

Alan Dowty, University of Notre Dam

Moshe Lissak, Hebrew University

#### Wednesday, June 13

8:30-4:00 p.m. - Conference Regestration Desk Open

9:00-10:45 - Panel Session IX

#### 62) Critical Inquiries in Law and Space in Israel

Chair and Discussant: Alexandere Kedar, University of Haifa

Issachar Rosen-Zvi, Tel-Aviv Univeristy

"Pigs in Space": Geographic Separatism in Multi-Cultural Society

#### Geremy Forman, University of Haifa and Tel-Aviv University

Diffusion of Israeli "Reasonable Cultivation" Doctrine into Occupied West Bank

# Yishai Blank, Tel-Aviv University

The City and the World

#### 63) **Demography Issues**

# Sergio Della Pergola, Hebrew University

Israeli Population Policies: The View from Fertility

# Yaacov Ben-Shemesh, Ono Academic College

Constitutional Rights, Immigration and Demography

#### Yaffa Zilbershats, Bar-Ilan University

Coping with Non-Jewish Immigration to Israel

#### Barbara S. Okun, Hebrew University

Socioeconomic Status and Demographic Behavior of Adult Multiethnics: Jews in Israel

# 64) Explaining Israel Foreign Policy

#### Yael Aronoff, Michigan State University

From Warfare to Withdrawal: Explaining Ariel Sharon's Significant Changes and Their Limits

#### **Arie Kacowicz**, Hebrew University

The State of International Relations and Israel: the Development of a Discipline in a Unique Setting

#### **Ohad Leslau**, University of Haifa

Who Needs Intelligence? The Effect of Intelligence Information and Estimation on Decision Makers

#### 65) Ideological Conflicts in Israel

#### Gerald Cromer, Bar-Ilan University

Telling Etiology Stories: Competing Explanations of Crime and Deviance in Israel

#### Guy Ben-Porat, Ben-Gurion University

Secular, Multicultural and Intolerant?

**Ted Sasson**, Brandeis University and Middlebury College, **Ephraim Tabory**, Bar-Ilan University Separate Ways Together: Cultural Consensus and Religious Divergence Among Religious and Nonreligious Israeli Jews

**Noach Milgram**, College of Judea and Samaria and Tel-Aviv University Ideological Conflicts at Home and Outside

#### 66) Migration and Transnational Dynamics

Chaim Waxman, Rutgers University

Aliya in the Age of Transnationalism

**Israel Pupko**, Hebrew University

Transnational Aliya Perceived by Israeli Policy Makers: An Opportunity or a Risk?

Tally Kritzman, Yale University and Tel-Aviv University

Israel as a State of Temporary Asylum

#### 67) Immigration to Eretz-Israel as Re-inventing Feminine Identity [I]

(Co-sponsored by Keren Kayemeth Leisrael)

Margalit Shilo, Bar-Ilan University

Zionism and Feminism: The Eretz Israeli Identity of Suffragists in Palestine

Esther Carmel-Hakim, University of Haifa

Israeli Theater as a Means to Reshape Identity: The Enterprise of Shulamit Bat-Dori

Ruti Glick, Bar-Ilan University

"They Say I Work Like a Guy and It Makes Me Happy": The Immigration Story of Hanna Szenes as an Identity Reshaping Journey

**Lilach Rosenberg**, Bar-Ilan University

The New Hebrew Women: The Case of Shlichot Aliya From Eretz Israel to Displaced Persons Camps in Europe

# 68) Past Present: Diaspora, Immigration and Survival Vis-à-vis the Israeli Art Canon

Chair: Dalia Manor, Bzalel Academy of Art

Galia Bar-Or, Mishkan Le'Omanu t, Ein Harod

Land and Refuge

Dalia Manor, Bzalel Academy of Art

Turnning Their Faces to the Diasporic Jews: Eretz Yisraeli Art Discourse in the 1930s

#### Miri Gal-Ezer, Emek Yezrael Academic College

Zionists or Post-Zionists? Israeli Artists' Life Stories and the High Art Field Discourse

#### Nissim Gal, Tel-Aviv University

Windblown Sands: Displacements, Refuge and Immigration in Contemporary Israeli Art

#### 69) The Pursuit of Peace and the Crisis of Israeli Identity -- Round Table

Discussion based on Dov Waxman, *The Pursuit of Peace and the Crisis of Israeli Identity*, Palgrave, 2006.

Chair: Ilan Peleg, Lafayette Collegege

Dov Waxman, Baruch College

Myron Aronoff, Rutgers University

**Alan Dowty**, University of Notre Dame

11:15-13:00 - Panel Session X

# 70) Immigration to Eretz-Israel as Re-inventing Feminine Identity [II]

(Co-sponsored by Keren Kayemeth Leisrael)

Reut Green, Bar-Ilan University

Beila Immigrates .... Hemda Ben Yehuda Makes Aliya!

Gilat Gofer, Tel-Aviv University and Ben-Gurion University

Gender, Immigration and Revolution - The Second Aliya as a Test Case

Smadar Sinai, Bar-Ilan University

A Change in Identity of a Change in Appearance: Manya Schochat and Ksanya Pampilov and Their Aliya

Gabi Osem, University of Haifa

"Here I found My Place ..." - Women Holocaust Survivors in the Kibbutz

#### 71) Lebanon War Dilemmas

**Yifat Holzman-Gazit**, College of Management, **Raanan Sulizeanu-Kenan**, University of Haifa

Public Attitudes Towards Commissions of Investigation in the Wake of the

Second Lebanon War: A Panel Survey

Efraim Inbar, Bar-Ilan University

Strategic Fallacies in the 2006 Lebanon War

**Zeev Maoz**, University of California, Davis

The Politics and Strategy of Mudding Through the All-Aqsa Intifada and the Second Lebanon War as Cumulative Failures

# 72) 1948: Homefront, the International Arena and Collective Memory

Rafi Nets-Zehngut, Tel-Aviv University and Yale University

Israeli History and Civics Texbooks and the 1948 Palestinian Refugee Issue (1950-2004)

Dan Bitan, IPSO

UNSCOP and Jerusalem: Internationalization as Façade for Western Hegemony?

Nurit Cohen-Levinovsky, Tel-Aviv University

Evacuation of the Non-Combatant Population in 1948 War: Three Kibbutzim as a Case Study

Shira Klein, New York University

A Houswife's Duty: Women's Columns and the National Wartime Effort

#### 73) Electoral Changes: What Is it Good For?

Chair: Hani Zubida, Interdisciplinary Center

Gideon Doron, Tel Aviv University

No One Really Cares Which Political Arrangements Are Used as Long as They Are Democratic

Fany Yuval, Ben-Gurion University

Representation and Political Stability as a Function of Electoral Method: Simulation Analysis

Hani Zubida, Interdisciplinary Center,

Changing the Israeli Governmental System: What, If Anything, Can We Learn from Past Experience?

Maoz Rosenthal, The Open University of Israel

Public Policy Implications of Electoral Changes in a Divided Society

#### 74) Queries Regarding Israeli Nationhood

Moshe Berent, The Open University of Israel

Does Israel Have a Navel? Anthony Smith and Zionism

Joseph Agassi, Tel-Aviv University

Traditional and Modern Nations Are Primitive and Abstract Families

Steven Rousso-Schindler, University of Southern California

Constructing and Deconstructing the Nation: The Case of the Israeli

'Demography' National Narrative

# 75) The Role of Immigrants Mediascapes in Process of Integration

Chair and Discussant: Aviva Zeltzer-Zubida, Ruppin Academic Center

Nelly Elias, Ben-Gurion University, Dafna Lemish, Tel-Aviv University

Media Uses in Immigrant Families: Torn Between "Inward" and "Outward" Paths of Integration

Erez Cohen, Peres Academic College

"We Are Staying in Our Country - Here": Israeli Mediascapes in Melbourne

Karin Amit, Rupin Academic Center, Ilan Riss, Central Bureau of Statistics

The Role of Social Networks in Migration from Developed Countries: North

American Immigrants in Bet Shemesh and Ra'anana

Sibyle Heilbrunn, Ruppin Academic Center, Nonna Kushniruvich, Ruppin

Academic Center

Barriers Met by Different Ethnic Groups of Immigrants in the Labor Market: Similarities and Particularities

#### 76) Productions / Personal Documentaries -- Round Table

Chair: Shmuel Duvdevani, Tel-Aviv University

**Yuli Gershtel-Cohen**, Director of My Terrorist and Zion, My Land

Amit Goren, Director of 66 Was a Good Year for Tourism and Another Land

**Hanoch Zeevi**, Director of *Nadia's Friends* 

Miri Talmon-Bohm, Florida Atlantic University

**Dorit Naaman**, Queen's University

#### 77) **Book Launching**:

**Dalia Manor**, Art in Zion: The Genisis of Modern National Art in Jewish Palestine, London: Routledge, 2005.

**David Lehmann** & **Batia Siebzehner**, Remaking Israeli Judaism - The Challenge to Shas, New York: Oxford University Press, 2006.

**Danny Kaplan**, The Men We Love: Male Friendship and Nationalism in Israeli Culture, New York: Berghahn Books, 2006.

**Eliezer Ben-Rafael** & **Yochanan Peres**, Is Israel One? Religion, Nationalism and Multiculturalism Confounded, Leiden: Brill, 2005.

13:15-14:30 - Lunch

13:15 - 14:30 - AIS Annual Business Meeting

14:30-16:00 - Panel Session XI

#### 78) Israeli Immigration Policies

Rachelle Alterman, The Technion

Israel's Mass Immigration of the 1990s as Crisis-Time Decision Making

Allison Sheren, University of Michigan

In With "In-Crowd": The Differences in the Absorption Process of Russian and Ethiopian Immigrants in Israel

# Alexander Murinson, SOAS London

An Analysis of Aliyah from Russia Using Vico's New Science Framework

Irina Masyukova, Russian Academy of Science and Moscow Institute of Oriental
Studies

Russian Speaking Israel in the 21st Century

#### 79) Israeli Issues in Comparative Perspective

Meir Amor, Concordia University

Quebecois and Israeli Citizenship as a National Crossroad: Two Hypotheses

**Alain Dieckhoff**, CERI-CNRS, Paris

Ethnicity and Democracy: Israel in Comparative Perspective

Robert Weiner, Lafayette College

Israel as an Issue Among French Jews: The Case of Dijon

Maznah Mohamad, National University of Singapore

The Dilemmas of Multicultural Democracy: The Case of Malaysia

#### 80) Reproduction Technologies in Israel

Noga Weiner, Ben-Gurion University, Yael Hashiloni-Dolev, Tel-Aviv University

On Fetuses and Contexts: Relational Ethics and the Standing of the Fetus in Israel

Sigal Gooldin, University of Haifa

Technology-In-Action: Reproducing Selves, Reproducing Others and the

Unexpected

Eli Teman, Hebrew University

Controlling Chaos: The Case of State-Controlled Surrogacy

Smadar Canyon, Ashkelon Academic College

Medical Control and Physicians in the Discussions of Committee for Egg

Donation in Israel

#### 81) Gender, Ethnicity and Identity on Screen

Olga Gershonson, University of Massachusetts, Amherst

Absorbed By Love: Gender and Nation on the Israeli Screen

Dorit Naaman, Queen's University

Unruly Daughters to Mother Nation: Palestinian and Israeli Autobiographical

Films

Carin Aviv, University of Denver

Gender, Emotion and Ideology in an Israeli-Palestinian Co-Existence Program

# 82) The Return of the Repressed: Old-New World

**Hannah Pressman**, New York University

Bartov and Be'er: Immigrant Narratives in the Confessional Mode

Shirli Sela-Levavi, Rutgers University

From Silence to Silence: Immigration and Return in Agnon's Fiction

**Iris Milner**, Tel Aviv University

Yossel Birstein's Novel Bemidrakhot Tzarot

#### 83) Re-visions of Ethnicities

Miri Talmon-Bohm, Florida Atlantic University

"Something Ain't Kosher Here": Ethnic Cinematic Images and the Broken Israeli Melting Pot

Eran Kaplan, University of Cincinnati

From Sallah to Zaza: The Evolving Images of Ethnicity in Israeli Films

Yaron Peleg, George Washington University

The Evolution of Images of Mizrahim in Israeli Cinema

# 84) Immigration: Gender Perspective

(Co-sponsored by Keren Kayemeth Leisrael)

**Bat-Sheva Margalit-Stern**, The Open University of Israel and Schechter Institute of Jewish Studies

Zionism, Idealism and Pragmatism: Women Immigrants to Mandatory Palestine **Zohar Segev**, University of Haifa

Cultural, Social, and Political Alternatives in The Zionist Movement and Palestine

- Hadassa Leaders in the Thirties and Forties: Radical Women and Revolutionary Leaders

Guy Miron, Schechter Institute of Jewish Studies

From Bourgeois Germany to Palestine: Memoris of German Jewish Women in Israel

Hanna Safran, University of Haifa

Captive in the National Discourse: Immigrant Women and the Struggle for Women's Suffrage for Jewish Women in Palestine in the 1920s

16:15-18:00 - Panel Session XII

#### 85) Rethinking Israeli Identity

**Sharon Weinblum,** Universite Libre De Bruxelles

Social Diversity and Social Cleavages in Israel: Re-Questioning the Common Definition

#### Chen Yehezkely, Unaffiliated Scholar

Why Can There Be No Peaceful Co-Existence Between the Different Cultures in Israel?

#### Yossi Kessner, University of Haifa

National Identity as a Derivative of Culture Consumption

#### Ben Mollow, Bar-Ilan University

Between the Melting Pot and the State of All Its Citizens: an Applied Federalist Multicultual Experience

# 86) The "Four Mothers" Movement: Academic and Activist Perspectives

Chair: Rachel Ben-Dor, Hebrew University

# Daniel Lieberfeld, Doquesne University

Staying Focused in the Media Glare: Relations Between the Israeli Media and the Four Mothers Movement

# Linda Ben-Zvi, Tel-Aviv University

A Little Goes a Long Way: the Four Mothers Abroad

# Hagit Di-Nur, The Open University of Israel

The Use of Religious Texts in Political Debates in Israel: The Story of the Four Mothers Movement

#### 87) Israel and Immigrants During the 1950s from a Gendered Women's

**Perspective** (Co-sponsored by Keren Kayemeth Leisrael)

#### Judith Baumel-Schwartz, Bar-Ilan University

Hayalot Olot Noflot: The Life and Death of Immigrant Women Soldiers in the IDF During the 1950s

# Hilda Shatzberger-Nissimi, Bar-Ilan University

From Communal Solidarity in Mashhad to Individual Redemption in Zion:

Female Immigrants During the 1950s

#### Tali Tadmor-Shimoni, Achva College

The Immigrant Female Teacher as an Immigration Absorption Agent

#### Mira Katzburg-Yungman, The Open University of Israel

Hadassah's Contribution to Immigrant Absorption in Israel During the 1950s

# 88) "Watching Zionism" - Chapters in the History of Israeli Television

Co-Chairs: **Jerome Bourdon**, Tel-Aviv University, **Sharon Shahaf**, The University of Texas, Austin

Avner Ben-Amos, Tel-Aviv University, Jerome Bourdon, Tel-Aviv University

Old Heroes in a New Medium: Amos Etinger's *Haim SheKaele* (or Such a Life)

Sharon Shahaf, The University of Texas, Austin

Welcome to the Sitcom School - A History of the First Israeli Sitcom

**Bosmat Garami**, Tel-Aviv University

Zionism Through Three Historical-Documentaries Series: *Amud Ha'esh, Tkuma* and *HaKol Anashim* 

Eric Saranovitz, Denison University

Between a Rock and a Hard Place: Tkuma in the Post-Zionism Debates

# 89) Israeli Majority-Minority Relations in Comparative Perspective

Chair: Ilan Peleg, Lafayette College

Oded Haklai, Queen's University

Mutability in Jewish - Palestinian Arab Relations in Israel

Ayelet Harel-Shalev, Hebrew University

A State of All its Citizens? Lessons from India

Maha El-Taji, University of Washington

The Impact of Jewish Political Parties on the Arab Hamula Systen in the 1960s & 1970s

Ilan Peleg, Lafayette College

From Hegemonic Structures to Accommodationism: A Worldwide Perspective

#### 90) (Re-)division of Powers in Israeli Politics

Menachem Hofnung, Hebrew University

Courts as an Electoral Arena

Gideon Rahat, Hebrew University, Shaul Shenhav, Hebrew University

Brave Old World Vs. Global World of Knowledge: Israel's Legislative Discourse 1984-2003

Eyal Lewin, University of Haifa

Are Patriots Really More Patriotic Than their Anti-Patriot Rivals? Poking into

Patriotism Through the Israeli Case

Anat Peleg, Bar-Ilan University

Reluctant Partners: The Relationship Between Judges and the Media in Israel

Eti Sarig, The Open University of Israel

Urban Coalition: Bussiness and Local Government

#### 91) **Israel Studies**

Chair: Ron Zwieg, New York University

Hava Mustigman, The Open University of Israel

Research Trends in the Study of Zionism and the Yishuv, 1948-2005

Miriam Shenkar, Ohio State University

Israel Studies as an Emerging Scholarly Field

Discussant: Derek Penslar, University of Toronto

#### 92) **Book Launching**:

**Isabella Ginor** & **Gideon Remez**, Foxbat Over Dimona: The Soviets' Nuclear Gamble in the Six-Day War, Yale: Yale University Press, 2007.

**Tamar Liebes** and **Paul Frosh**, eds., Meeting the Enemy in the Living Room: Terrorism and Communication in the Contemporary Era, Tel-Aviv: Ha-Kibbutz Hameuchad (Hebrew), 2006.

**Amos Nadan**, The Palestinian Peasant Economy Under the Mandate: A Story of Colonial Bungling, Cambridge: Harvard University Press, 2006.

# 18:15 - 20:00 -- Closing Planery

The Six Day War as a Watershed in Israel's History

Chair: **Yoram Peri**, Tel-Aviv University

Yuli Tamir, Minister of Education

Yossi Beilin, Knesset Member, Former Government Minister

Uzi Landau, Former Government Minister

**Uzi Dayan**, Maj. Gen. (res.), Former Chairman of the Israeli National Security Council

# **Special Events**

- I. "Visual Israeliness", An art exhibition curated by Alik Mishory, The Open University of Israel. Formal opening: June 11, 18:30. Open to the Public during the conference.
- II. "Multicultural Israel: Cinematic Portrait", Continous screening of Israeli Movies. Curator and Academic advisor: Miri Talmon-Bohm, Florida Atlantic University. Documentaries curtsey of Ruth Diskin Films.
- III. Book Display by various publishing houses.