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Ben-Gurion University of the Negev is one of Israel’s leading research universities and among the world leaders in many fields.

It has approximately 20,000 students and 4,000 faculty members in the Faculties of Engineering Sciences; Health Sciences; Natural Sciences; the Pinchas Sapir Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences; the Guilford Glazer Faculty of Business and Management; the Joyce and Irving Goldman School of Medicine; the Kreitman School of Advanced Graduate Studies; the Albert Katz International School for Desert Studies and the Ben-Gurion Research Institute for the Study of Israel and Zionism’s, Israel Studies Program. More than 100,000 alumni play important roles in all areas of research and development, industry, health care, the economy, society, culture and education in Israel.

The University has three main campuses: The Marcus Family Campus in Beer-Sheva; the research campus at Sede Boqer and the Eilat Campus, and is home to national and multi-disciplinary research institutes: the National Institute for Biotechnology in the Negev; the National Institute of Solar Energy; the Ilse Katz Institute for Nanoscale Science and Technology; the Jacob Blaustein Institutes for Desert Research; the Ben-Gurion Research Institute for the Study of Israel & Zionism, and Heksherim - The Research Institute for Jewish and Israeli Literature and Culture.
Advanced Research and Applications at the Forefront of Science and Technology

More than 800 senior and 1,100 junior faculty members work together with their graduate students in advanced laboratories, in the framework of more than 60 inter-disciplinary research centers.

In addition to pure research, Ben-Gurion University is also focused on applied research. Through its technology transfer company, BGN Technologies, the University attracts strategic partners and investors in the fields of science, technology and industry, including homeland security; bioinformatics; robotics, energy and fuels and more.

Advanced Technologies Park - Hi-Tech and Biotechnology Park

Ben-Gurion University is a partner in the initiative and establishment of the Advanced Technologies Park currently being built adjacent to the Marcus Family Campus. The project is a unique public private partnership combining the outstanding achievements of the University and the city of Beer-Sheva with leading companies in Israel and worldwide and marks a milestone in the Israeli scientific world. The IDF’s Hi-Tech Center and Communications R&D facility will also be built adjacent to the Park.

Academic and Human Excellence

Ben-Gurion University is a major attraction for students and researchers due to its pluralistic and inter-disciplinary approach. The open and friendly atmosphere, combined with a young and original way of thinking, encourages the students and researchers to advance science, culture and society and to break through barriers in research.

Development of the Negev and Community Involvement

Ben-Gurion University of the Negev plays a central role in the development of industry, agriculture and education in the Negev. More than 6000 students are involved in a wide variety of community and social projects in the region: there are 80 “Open Apartments” in Beer-Sheva, where students live in neighborhoods in which they are active, as part of the Department of Community Action. This is in addition to studies and the rich campus life, for which the University is well-known.
Ben-Gurion University’s Sede Boqer Campus

Ben-Gurion University’s Sede Boqer campus is adjacent to the burial site of David Ben-Gurion and to his desert home at Kibbutz Sede Boqer. The SB campus, with its superior research infrastructure, comfortable accommodations, and wonderful location, overlooking the spectacular biblical Zin valley, guarantees a unique academic environment and an unparalleled learning experience to Students and researchers alike.

The Jacob Blaustein Institutes for Desert Research

The Institutes for Desert Research were established in Sede-Boqer in 1974, following a 1972 recommendation of the council for higher education, and a 1973 decision of the Israeli government. In 1980, The Jacob and Hilda Blaustein Foundation made a generous contribution to BGU, and the institutes were named The Jacob Blaustein Institutes for Desert Research (BIDR).

A balanced professional blend of scientists, technical and administrative staff members, and Israeli and foreign research students, have the capacity to perform basic and applied research related to “Desert Sciences”.

Activities cover basic research in:

- Environmental physics, with applications in desert meteorology and solar energy.
- Water sciences and technology, with applications in water resource management, wastewater treatment and bioremediation.
- Ecology, with applications in conservation biology and environmental protection.
- Plant and animal physiology, with applications in desert agriculture, livestock and aquaculture.
- Cellular and molecular biology, with applications in desert biotechnologies and biodegradation of environmental pollutions.
- Social sciences and architecture, with applications in regional planning and human habitat design in drylands.

These diverse research and advanced teaching activities are carried out in the laboratories, classes and other facilities on the Sede-Boqer Campus, as well as in research stations and field research sites scattered over the Negev Desert. Beside the traditional structure of research groups operating in the framework of departments, the Blaustein institutes operate the Albert Katz International School for Desert Studies. The school is responsible for all training and teaching activities at the BIDR, and offers M.Sc./M.A. and Ph.D. study programs.
The Ben-Gurion Research Institute for the Study of Israel and Zionism

The Ben-Gurion Research Institute for the Study of Israel and Zionism is devoted to the study, documentation, and research of the Zionist movement and the history of Israel. Established in 1982 under a special agreement between Ben-Gurion University of the Negev (BGU) and the Ben-Gurion Heritage Institute, the Ben-Gurion Institute for the Study of Israel and Zionism prides itself on its broad research horizons and strongly interdisciplinary nature. The Institute advocates an integrative approach that eliminates barriers between disciplines and fosters the development of fresh and innovative areas of research on Israel and Zionism.

Researchers at the Institute examine the social, economic, political, cultural, and historical aspects of Israel’s existence and address the multiple complexities of Israeli society, past, present, and future.

In June 2011, the Ben-Gurion Research Institute for the Study of Israel and Zionism inaugurated the International MA Program in Israel Studies. The program is aimed at students who wish to acquire a comprehensive understanding of the complexities of Israel and its development. Now in its third year, the International MA Program in Israel Studies includes thirty students from dozen countries and three continents. The Institute is also home to PhD students and post-doctoral researchers in the field of Israel Studies.

The Ben-Gurion Archives contain more than 3 million items that reflect the history of Israel from the early twentieth century until the present day. Among these are David Ben-Gurion’s personal Diaries and correspondence in addition to protocols of the main organizations of the Yishuv and the State, minutes of meetings, memoranda and photographs. The archive also houses the personal documents of other prominent Zionist figures as well as a number of special collections. Most of the documents are fully searchable online.

The BGRI Publishing House publishes around twelve books annually providing in-depth insights into relevant research on Israel from various angles. The Publication activity includes two peer-reviewed Journals. The Hebrew language Journal Iyunim Bitkumat Israel and the English Journal Israel Studies co-sponsored by Brandeis University.

The Institute’s Library houses more than 40,000 titles, all related to Israel Studies and a collection of articles by David Ben-Gurion and about him that have been published in News papers and journal throughout the years.
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Dear Colleagues,
On behalf of my colleagues, the staff members of the Ben-Gurion Research Institute for the Study of Israel and Zionism, I welcome you all to the conference of the International Association for Israel Studies. I would like to take this opportunity to express my gratitude to the devoted team at BGRI, headed by Tamara Eshel, for their enthusiasm and professionalism in organizing this event. Special thanks to our co-team from AIS: Menachem Hofnung, Ilan Ben-Ami, Amnon Cavari and Ilan Troen for a wonderful partnership experience. There is no doubt that they reflect the special spirit of this unique academic association.

This year, the conference is being held in a historical place rich in symbolism—the campus of Ben-Gurion University of the Negev in Sede Boqer, near Ben-Gurion’s grave and his desert home, in the place that Ben-Gurion chose to serve as a center of research, education, and science in the Negev, the spearhead of the realization of his Negev vision.

Midreshet Ben-Gurion, popularly known by its nickname “Hamidrasha,” has become, over the years, a community in which more than four hundred families reside and a university campus with dozens of researchers, professional and administrative staff members, and hundreds of students from around the world. It is located on the edge of a cliff, isolated from urban centers, but is a kind of pilgrimage site, attracting hundreds of thousands of tourists and travelers every year.

“I dream of a Hebrew Oxford in the Negev, something of a modern, Hebrew Yavne – a locus of creative spirituality, from playgrounds to scientific research,” David Ben-Gurion wrote, said, and predicted at the cornerstone ceremony of the Midrasha. Today, fifty-one years later, we are adding another layer to this vision, the annual meeting of the Association for Israel Studies. The entity that took upon itself the organization and hosting of this conference is the Ben-Gurion Research Institute for the Study of Israel and Zionism.

The Institute, home to fifteen faculty members, runs a university press whose area of expertise is Israel Studies, and has established two academic study programs: the undergraduate Israel Studies program, affiliated with the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences at Ben-Gurion University’s main Campus in Beer Sheva, and the International MA Program in Israel Studies (ISIP), a graduate program based on the Sede Boqer Campus.
The subject of Leadership and Crucial decisions in Israel was a natural choice as the main theme of this year’s conference. The words that Ben-Gurion wrote upon his first resignation from the post of prime minister clearly reflect the challenges that leaders face until this very day: “It was necessary to find a more or less proper way through the obstacles of a reality that is complex and full of contradictions, but also to activate individuals and communities with different directions that sometimes oppose and contradict each other for the sake of the desired goal and in the general direction required. Some are of the opinion that there only needs to be a ‘line’ and that if you point it once, it leads on its own to the straight, paved path. I must admit that no such ‘line’ instructed me. I was, rather, led by a ‘point’, the point of the desired goal. To the best of my knowledge and understanding, there is no ready-made, paved path that leads to a destination ... in the endless transformation of a reality that does not repeat itself, we have to carve out repeatedly and constantly the difficult passage towards a goal, and a step that was right yesterday may hinder us tomorrow ... “ (David Ben-Gurion, A Letter to the President, 2/11/1953)

We can say in conclusion that, in the spirit of David Ben-Gurion, this year’s Association for Israel Studies conference aims to interrogate the challenges that have faced Israeli leadership throughout the existence of the State. Hundreds of researchers at dozens of sessions will present findings concerning the questions regarding the uniqueness of the leadership experience in the cultural and social context of Israel. We are convinced that the atmosphere here will encourage fruitful, constructive, and pluralistic dialogue that will serve as an inspiration for future generations of Israeli leaders and scholars of Israel in this country and around the world.

Welcome!

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Dr. Paula Kabalo  
Program Chair  
Director, The Ben-Gurion Research Institute for the Study of Israel and Zionism  
Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
Dear Conference Participants and Guests,
I would like to personally welcome each of you to the 2014 Annual Meeting of the Association for Israel Studies at the Sede Boqer Campus of the Ben Gurion University of the Negev.

Since its inception in 1984, the AIS has grown considerably and now consisting of more than 500 scholars on five continents and in dozens of countries. Members of the Association engage in research on Israeli society from various perspectives that cut across multiple disciplines and academic fields. We are looking forward to engaging and enriching meeting aimed to broaden research and understanding of various aspects of Israeli history, social life, politics, culture, and arts.

I would like to take the opportunity to thank our devoted members who worked tirelessly to make this conference possible. Many special thanks to Dr. Paula Kabalo, the Academic Director of the Ben-Gurion Research Institute for the Study of Israel and Zionism and the 2014 AIS Program Chair. I like to express further thanks to Tamara Eshel and Maya Reitan for their careful and efficient administrative coordination. The Program Committee members and Paula Kabalo as its chair to reviewed hundreds of panel and paper proposals and did a masterful job. They deserve our deepest gratitude.

It is also my pleasure to thank the AIS officers, the vice president, Prof. Ilan Troen, the treasurer, Dr. Ilan Ben Ami, and Dr. Amnon Cavari, the executive officer. All three were very essential in bringing this meeting to fruition.

Before I close, I would like to thank each of you for attending our conference and bringing your expertise to our gathering.

I very much look forward to seeing you in Sede Boqer.

Prof. Menachem Hofnung
President, Association for Israel Studies (AIS)
Department of Political Science
The Hebrew University of Jerusalem
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MONDAY
JUNE 23, 2014

SESSION 1
09:00-10:30

M1M1  Political and Cultural Changes in The Zionist Organization during the Crisis of European Jewry and Mandatory Palestine
Chair: Rona Yona (ronayona@post.tau.ac.il), Tel Aviv University
Rona Yona, Tel Aviv University
Mobilizing the Masses: How Mapai Won the 1933 Elections
Uri Cohen, Tel Aviv University
Chaim Weizmann and the Founding of the Sieff Research Institute in Mandatory Palestine 1931-1934
Avi Bareli, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
Pre-State Mapai, 1933-1949: The Making of a Ruling Party

M1M2  Zionist Thought
Chair: Gideon Katz (katzgid@bgu.ac.il), Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
Arnon Degani, UCLA
Pro-Palestinian Zionists: Early Zionist Thought on Palestine’s Populations

Buildings
Inter-Disciplinary Center, Building B
Classrooms: B5, B6, B7

The Ben-Gurion Heritage Institute Building, Building M
Classrooms: M1, M2, M3, M4, AUD

The Rachel Dondisch Educational Building
Building D: Classrooms: D1, D2, D3

The Ben-Gurion Research Institute Building
Building BGI: Classrooms: BGI1, BGI2, BGI3, BGI4

Meshushim Classroom
Classroom MESH

For buildings and classrooms locations see conference map on page 100.
SUNDAY
JUNE 22, 2014

15:00 – 19:30
AIS Board Meeting
(including dinner)
BGI1 (Ben-Gurion Research Institute, Seminar Room)

10:00 – 18:00
Graduate Student Workshop
Sponsored by the Israel Institute
BGI3 (The Ben-Gurion Research Institute Library)

20:00
Happy Hour for Students
Juma’s (Local Pub)

For classroom location, see map on page 100.
M1B5  Leadership, Gender, and Periphery – Various Aspects of Leadership and Local Activism in the Israeli Periphery

Chair: Pnina Motzafi-Haller (pninamh@gmail.com), Ben-Gurion University of the Negev

Sigal Nagar-Ron, Sapir Academic College
Shaky Labor Market, Lack of Leadership and Local Mizrahi Women’s Activism in a Development Town in Southern Israel

Nuzha Alassad Elhuzail, Sapir Academic College
Bedouin Women Living in Poverty who Become Entrepreneurs

Reut Reina Bendrihem, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
Leadership in the Creation of Platforms: Leadership in the Periphery as Part of Dispossession

Hila Tal, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
Gender, Immigration, and Leadership: Community Organization among Female Immigrants from the Former Soviet Union
M1B6  Political Leadership in Israel

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

Ofira Gruweis-Kovalsky, University of Haifa
Menachem Begin and Jerusalem during the War of Independence

Hagai Tsoref, Israel State Archives
"I Say This in Full Recognition, in 1948 We Were Not in Such Danger": Golda Meir during the Yom Kippur War, A New Perspective 40 Years Later

Louise Fischer, Israel State Archives
“A Piece of Land for a Piece of Peace”: Yitzhak Rabin and the Sinai II Agreement

Arnon Lammfromm, Israel State Archives
The Outbreak of “Operation Peace for Galilee” and its First Weeks as Reflected in the Minutes of the Begin Government

M1B7  The Arab-Israeli Minority in Historical Perspective

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

Dalia Gavriely-Nuri, Hadassah Academic College

Nirit Topol, Hadassah Academic College
On the Absence of Reconciliation Processes in Herzl’s Altneuland (1902)

Nirit Topol, Hadassah Academic College
The Gap between the Symbol of Unified Jerusalem and the Reality of the East-Jerusalemites

Arye Naor, Hadassah Academic College
National Minorities in Israel According to Jabotinsky
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- **Avi Bareli**, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
  *Pre-State Mapai, 1933–1949: The Making of a Ruling Party*

M1M2  
**Zionist Thought**

Chair: **Gideon Katz** (katzgid@bgu.ac.il), Ben-Gurion University of the Negev

- **Arnon Degani**, University of California at Los Angeles
  *Pro-Palestinian Zionists: Early Zionist Thought on Palestine’s Populations*

- **Ira Robinson**, Concordia University

- **Margalit Toledano**, The University of Waikato
  *Persuasive Leaders: Communicating the Zionist Campaign*
M1D1  
*Israel-China Relations – Past and Present*

**Chair:** Hani Zubida (haniz@yvc.ac.il),
The Max Stern Academic College of Emek Yezreel

**Gangzheng She,** Brandeis University  
*Between Practicality and Prophecy: Ben-Gurion’s Perception of China (1948–1973)*

**Xian Xiao,** Yunnan University  
*Political Leaders and the Development of Israel-China Relations*

**Liang Pingan,** Shanghai International Studies University  
*Delayed Hugging: An Analysis on Bilateral Relations between PRC (the People’s Republic of China) and the State of Israel (1949–1992)*

10:30 – 11:00  
Coffee Break – coffee and snacks available at conference sites
M2B5  
*Motherhood and Family*

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

**Sylvie Bijaoui**, College of Management
*Families, Nation, Gender, and Individualization in Israel*

**Karra Greenberg**, University of California at Los Angeles (UCLA)
*Israel in Comparative Context: Understanding Israel’s Comparatively High Fertility as a Product of Its Social, Geographic, and Political Structures*

**Einat Lavee**, Bar-Ilan University
*The Neoliberal Mom: How Discursive Coalitions Shape Low-income Israeli Mothers’ Labor Market Participation*

M2B6  
*Demography and Immigration*

**Chair:** Jacob Tovy (jtovy@research.haifa.ac.il), University of Haifa

**Assaf Shapira**, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem
*Against all Odds: Facilitating Immigrants’ Access to Citizenship in Israel*

**Ilan Riss**, Israeli Central Bureau of Statistics
*Leadership in Israel’s Migration System*

**Anat Leibler**, Bar Ilan University
*Israel and Canada – Two Statistical Modes of Governing Rationalities*
M2B7 Women, Images, and Arts

Chair: Bat-Sheva Margalit Stern (bat7stern@gmail.com), Schechter Institute of Jewish Studies

Yael Guilat, Oranim Academic College of Education
*The “Other Leadership”: Women and Power in Israeli Art from the 1980s to the Present*

Rachel S. Harris, The University of Illinois
*The Battle for Women’s Souls: The Mizrahi Witch in Israeli Cinema*

Shahar Marnin-Distelfeld, Zefat Academic College
*Silent Leadership: Arab Women Artists in Israel*

Mei-Tal Nadler, Tel Aviv University
*Spaces of Care: Ethics in the Israeli Novel, 2000–2010*

M2M1 Leadership and Ideology

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

Daniel Mahla, Columbia University
*Between Nationalist Activism and Orthodox Traditionalism: Religious Zionist Leaders and the Question of Women’s Enfranchisement*

Yoel Wachtel, Georgetown University
*The Effects of WWI on the Thought of Rabbi Kook: 100 Years since “The Great War” and its Implications on Modern Israel’s Religious Right*

Roman Vater, University of Manchester
*Right-wing Anti-Zionism: a Typology Proposal*
M2M2  

Religious Society in Israel – Influences and Challenges

Chair: Michael Feige (mfeige57@gmail.com), Ben-Gurion University of the Negev

Sara Hirschhorn, University of Oxford
Settling in the “Heart of Zion”: Garin Lev Zion and the Jewish-American Makings of the West Bank Settlement of Tekoa, 1977–2013

Boaz Cohen, Western Galilee College
The Hesder Yeshiva and the Fashioning of a New Israeli Elite: An Historical and Ideological Perspective

Dana Rubin, The Open University of England
Haredi Settlers: The Non-Zionist Jewish Settlers of the West Bank

M2M3  

Philanthropy and Civil Society

Chair: Ben Herzog (herzogb@bgu.ac.il), Ben-Gurion University of the Negev

Esther Suissa, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev

Theodore Sasson, Middlebury College and Brandeis University
Eric Fleisch,* Middlebury College and Brandeis University
American Jewish Giving to Israeli Non-Profit Organizations

Margalit Toledano, The University of Waikato
Follow the Money: Emissaries and Fundraising Leaders in Israel’s Nation-Building Endeavor

Mitchell Bard, American-Israeli Cooperative Enterprise (AICE)
Building Israel Studies from the Ground Up: AICE’s Experience Supporting Grad Students and Postdocs
M2M4  The Shaping of Memory and Identity

Chair: Aidan J. Beatty (ajbeatty@uchicago.edu), University of Chicago

Joseph Agassi, Tel Aviv University
Blood and Politics

David Ohana, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
The Changing Image of King Herod in the Collective Israeli Memory

Aryeh Tepper, Shalem Center and the Herzl Institute
The New Jerusalem Orchestra: Reimagining the Boundaries of Israeli Identity

M2AUD  Self-Portrait: Social and Cultural Aspects of Contemporary Israeli Cinema
Theoretical Panel on Israeli Films

Chair: Yvonne Kozlovsy Golan (ykozlovsky@univ.haifa.ac.il), University of Haifa

Yvonne Kozlovsy Golan, University of Haifa
Socioeconomic Status as Gender-related in Israeli Cinema of the New Millennium

Keren Sadan, University of Haifa
The Labor of “Arab Labor”

Itzhak Benyamini, University of Haifa
The “Jew” and Film - A Fundamental Discussion
SESSION 2
11:00 – 12:30

**M2D1**  
*New Aspects of David Ben Gurion’s Activity and Leadership*

**Chair:** Ilan Ben-Ami (ilanbe@openu.ac.il), The Open University of Israel

Ilan Ben-Ami, The Open University of Israel  
*Behind the Great Leader: Paula Ben-Gurion and her Role in her Husband’s Political Life*

Lilach Rosenberg-Friedman, Bar-Ilan University  
*David Ben-Gurion and the Issue of Fertility as a Test Case*

Meir Chazan, Tel Aviv University  
*Ben-Gurion’s Last Trip Abroad*

**M2D2**  
*Space and Culture*

**Chair:** Sebastian Wogenstein (wogenstein@uconn.edu), University of Connecticut

Kobi Cohen-Hattab, Bar-Ilan University  
*The Nationalization of Holy Places: The Case of Rachel’s Tomb during the British Mandate*

Doron Bar, Schechter Institute of Jewish Studies  
*The Western Wall following the 1967 War: A Jewish Holy Site or a National Symbol?*

Kobi Peled, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev  
*Place, Memory, and Identity: The Renovation of Sidnã ‘Alî Mosque as a Nexus of Islamic Identity in Israel*

Yitzhak Reiter, Ashkelon Academic College  
Lior Lehrs,* The Hebrew University of Jerusalem  
*Transitional Representation in the Public Space: Beersheba’s Grand Mosque from a Comparative Perspective*
### M2D3  The Conflict: Discourse and Perceptions

**Chair:** Ofir Abu (abuofir@post.bgu.ac.il), Ben-Gurion University of the Negev

**Amit Barkan,** Institute for National Security Studies, INSS  
*Psychological Barriers in Political Negotiations: Insights from the Israeli Peace Delegations*

**Anja Sleteland,** University of Oslo  
*The Function of the “Clash of Narratives” in the Israel-Palestine Conflict*

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

### M2MESH  Issues of Educational Leadership during the Last Century

**Chair:** Josef Lazar (yosibcn@gmail.com), Tel Hai College

**Josef Lazar,** Tel Hai College and Haifa Municipality  
*Vicissitudes in the Management of “The Reali Hebrew School”, Haifa during one hundred years of existence.*

**Yair Seltenreich,** Tel Hai College and Ben-Gurion University of the Negev  
*Rosh Pina in a Crisis of Educational Leadership: 1918–1926*

**Alisa Bloch,** Bar-Ilan University  

**Irit Sasson,** Tel Hai College, The Golan Research Institute  
*Building Educational Leadership in Science and Technology: An Innovative Model in the Eastern Galilee*
SESSION 2
11:00 – 12:30

M2BGI1  Roundtable: National Security Decision-Making in Israel

Chair: Zaki Shalom (zshalom@bgu.ac.il), Ben-Gurion University of the Negev

Chuck Ffreilich, Harvard University
Kobi Michael, Ariel University
Yoram Peri, University of Maryland
Zaki Shalom, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev

M2BGI2  Leaders who Shaped Israel’s History in Times of “Relative” Peace and in Times of War

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

Raphael Cohen Almagor, University of Hull
Arafat, Barak, and Clinton at Camp David: Clashes of Characters

Asaf Siniver, University of Birmingham
Abba Eban and Anti-intellectualism in Israeli Politics

Yigal Kipnis, University of Haifa
The 1973 War: Leadership and Decision-Making on the Way to War

Arye Naor, Hadassah Academic College
Begin and Sharon: A Comparison
SESSION 2

11:00 – 12:30

M2BGI3  Roundtable: Declassifying Israel: Archives, Declassification, and Academia

Chair: Shay Hazkani (shay.hazkani@gmail.com), New York University

Shay Hazkani, New York University
Rona Sela, Tel Aviv University
Yaacov Lozowick, Chief Archivist at the Israel State Archives
Benny Morris, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev

M2BGI4  Israel and the International Community

Chair: Gerald Steinberg (gerald.steinberg@biu.ac.il), Bar-Ilan University

Efraim Inbar, Bar-Ilan University
Time Favors Israel

Sean Zohar, University of Ottawa
Desecuritization and the Contested Location of Iran in Israeli Security Discourse

Umut Uzer, Istanbul Technical University
Islamism, Anti-Semitism and the Palestine Question in Turkey: A Comparison of Two Politically Motivated Events by the National Outlook Movement

Gallia Lindenstrauss, Institute for National Security Studies
Israel-Azerbaijan Relations: The Current Incarnation of the ‘Special Relationship’?

12:30–14:00
Lunch Break
M3B5  
**Israel and the United States**

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

**Dov Waxman,** Baruch College, City University of New York  
**Brent Sasley,** University of Texas at Arlington  
*Ethnic Lobbies and the Construction of American Interests: The Pro-Israel Lobby and U.S. Middle East Policy*

**Mervin Verbit,** Touro College  
*The Structure of Connections to Israel among American Jews*

**Jonathan Rynhold,** Bar-Ilan University  
*Israel in Post-Cold War US Strategy: Asset, Liability, or Client?*

**Moran Yarchi,** The Interdisciplinary Center (IDC), Herzliya  
**Shira Pindyck,** The Interdisciplinary Center (IDC), Herzliya  
**Amnon Cavari,** The Interdisciplinary Center (IDC), Herzliya  

M3B6  
**State and Religion**

**Chair:** Joseph Ringel (jtringel@gmail.com), University of Maryland

**Olena Bagno,** Institute for National Security Studies  
*The Religion-state Nexus in Israel: the Effect on Political Attitudes*

**Guy Ben-Porat,** Ben-Gurion University of the Negev  
*Between State and Synagogue: The Secularization of Contemporary Israel*

**Kimmy Caplan,** Bar-Ilan University  
*Yoselle Schukhmacher: The Struggle over What is a Jew*

**Netanel Fisher,** The Open University of Israel  
*Who is a Jew in Israel? Did Israel Succeed in Untying the Knot?*
M3B7  Israel and Israelis in the Media

Chair: Shay Hazkani (shay.hazkani@gmail.com), New York University

Dalia Liran-Alper, College of Management
Orly Tsarfaty,* The Max Stern Academic College of Emek Yezreel
Media Representation of Political Leadership in the 2013 Israeli General Election

Rafi Mann, Ariel University
The Political Yield of Media and Social Capitals: Yair Lapid’s 2013 Electoral Success

Yuval Yonay, University of Haifa

M3M1  Social and Economic Perspectives

Chair: Sylvie Bijaoui (ibii@netvision.net.il), College of Management

Neta Arnon Shoshany, Bar-Ilan University
State Bypass Citizenship: Israeli Middle Class Paves New Paths to Citizenship

Claudia De Martino, Mediterranean Universities Union
Mizrahi Jews’ Leadership in the 50s: The Social Class Gap behind the Failure of Political Representation

Yoav Mehozay, University of Haifa
More than National Security: The Role of Emergency Powers in Israel’s Political Economy
SESSION 3
14:00 – 15:30

M3M2  Religion and the State

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

Aya Yadlin-Segal, Texas A&M University
“Fighting the War of God” and Religious Authority Affirmation Online: The Case of the “Our Future” Website

David Gurevich, University of Haifa
Yisca Harani, Independent Scholar
Philoumenos of Jacob’s Well: New Martyr and Modern Anti-Semitism

Joyce Dalsheim, University of North Carolina at Charlotte
Other Sovereignties in Israel/Palestine

M3M3  Immigration, Relocation, and Crisis

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

Hila Amit, SOAS, University of London
Leadership in Distress: Israel, Zionism and Emigration Anxiety

Jonathan Bensoussan, Tel Aviv University

Ori Yehudai, Center for Jewish History/Israel Institute
“We Are a Church, Not a Travel Agency”: The Involvement of Christian Missionaries in Jewish Emigration from 1950s Israel
M3M4  Peripheral Spaces in Hebrew Literature

Chair: Adia Mendelson-Maoz (adiamen@openu.ac.il), The Open University of Israel

Adia Mendelson-Maoz, The Open University of Israel
Shimon Adaf and the Peripheral Novel

Yuval Ben-Attia, The Open University of Israel
Periphery in the Center: Dismantling the Center in Ronit Matalon’s “Little Brother”

Hadas Shabat-Nadir, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
Translation as Transgression between Categories of Minority: Avot Yeshurun, Dan Pagis, and Erez Biton

M3AUD  Roundtable: Implications of the Lavon Affair on Israeli Society: A 50-Year Perspective

Chair: Michael Keren (mkeren@ucalgary.ca), University of Calgary

Michael Keren, University of Calgary
Amir Bar-Or, Kinneret College
Gad Barzilai, University of Haifa
Jonathan Mendilow, Rider University
Arye Naor, Hadassah Academic College and Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
M3D1  Palestinians and Israelis: Separation and Integration

Chair: Ilan Peleg (pelegi@lafayette.edu), Lafayette College

Hedi Viterbo, SOAS, University of London
Unsettling Intergenerational Separation: A Cross-National Perspective on Palestinians in Israeli Custody

Ido Zelkovitz, University of Haifa
The Palestinians’ Inner Strife and its Impact on the Peace Process: Post-Arab-Spring Challenges for Israel

Chen Kertcher, The Tami Steinmetz Center for Peace Research and The Herzl Institute
The Training of Palestinian Physicians in Israel

M3D2  Labour Immigrants and Refugees

Chair: Michal Tamir (tammichal@gmail.com), Shaarei Mishpat College

Rachel Brown, The City University of New York
From Object to Subject: International Legal Rhetoric and the Case of Israeli Migrant Careworkers

Hadas Yaron, The Academic College Tel Aviv-Yafo
The Border Within: Israeli Ethiopians and African Refugees in Israel

Hani Zubida, The Max Stern Academic College of Emek Yezreel
Robin Harper,* The City University of New York
Living on Borrowed Time: Borders, Ticking Clocks, and Timelessness among Temporary Labor Migrants and their Children in Israel
M3D3  
**Arab Citizens - Alienation and Integration**

**Chair:** Yitzhak Reiter (yitzhak.reiter@mail.huji.ac.il), Ashkelon Academic College and the Jerusalem Institute for Israel Studies

**Ofir Abu,** Ben-Gurion University of the Negev  
*Protest Policing, Threat Perception, and Minority Politicization: State Response to Arab Protest in Israel, 1990–2000*

**Sammy Smooha,** University of Haifa  
*Contrasting Trends of Change in Arab and Jewish Attitudes toward Each Other and the State*

**Jamila Elnashef,** Tel Aviv University  
**Uri Cohen,** Tel Aviv University  
*Walking a Fine Line between Integration and a National-Professional Trap: The Integration of Arab Women Teachers in Jewish Primary Schools*

M3MESH  
**Language, Identity, and Politics**

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

**Benjamin Hary,** Emory University and New York University  
*Israel as a Multi-Lingual State: The Politics of Judeo-Arabic*

**Aviad Rubin,** University of Haifa  
*Language Policy and Inter-group Deliberation: The Case of Israel*

**Na’ama Sheffi,** Sapir Academic College  
*Book Translations as a Political Agenda: Translations from German into Hebrew in the 1970s*

**Sebastian Wogenstein,** University of Connecticut  
*“Mined Terrain”: Israel in Contemporary German Literature and Society*
MONDAY
JUNE 23, 2014

SESSION 3
14:00 – 15:30

M3BGI1  Roundtable: Teaching Israel and Related Topics in American Universities

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

Rachel Brenner, University of Wisconsin–Madison
Yoram Peri, University of Maryland
Joel Migdal, University of Washington
Csaba Nikolenyi, Concordia University
Michael Brenner, American University
Yael Zerubavel, Rutgers University

M3BGI2  Navigating Self and Other: Space, Place, and Identity in the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict

Chair: Dalia Gavrieli-Nuri (gavriely1@gmail.com), The Truman Institute, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Ariel Zellman, The Truman Institute, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem
From Indivisibility to Partition? Jerusalem and Kosovo as Contested Homeland Territories

Mauricio Dimant, The Truman Institute, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem
From a Palestinian Village in Israel to Latin America and Back: The Transnational experience and Narratives of Identity in the Context of the Conflict

Elie Friedman, The Truman Institute, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Recognition of the Other and Self- Constitution: Recognition Gaps of a Palestinian People and/or State in Israeli Political Discourse

Malka Greenberg Raanan, The Truman Institute, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem
The Everyday Spatial Practices of Palestinian and Israeli Women Residents of the City of Jerusalem
M3BGI3  The Settlement Project

Chair: Boaz Cohen (boazc@wgalil.ac.il), Western Galilee College

Nehemia Stern, Emory University
*Between the Land and the People: Gush Emunim in its Theological and Social Context*

Lorenzo Kamel, University of Bologna
*The Levy Report, Two Years After*

Shimi Friedman, Ariel University
Miriam Billig,* Samaria & Jordan Rift R&D Center
*Design our Boundaries: Marginal Youth in Samaria’s Settlements between Institutions and Community*

Johannes Becke, University of Oxford
*Religious Irredentism in the Abrahamic Faiths: Israel, South Tyrol, and Western Sahara in Transnational Comparison*

M3BGI4  Military and Civil Education

Chair: Irit Keynan (iritike@gmail.com), The College for Academic Studies

Elad Neemani, Tel Aviv University
*Military Leadership in the Field of Education: IDF Actions to Adjust School Curricula at Civilian Schools According to Military Needs in the Early 1950s*

Daniel Marom, Mandel Leadership Institute
*“The Story we Tell about Being Israeli”: Pedagogy for Leadership Education in Israel*

Yakov Michlin, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
Assaf Meshulam,* Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
*Empowering Children through Civic Engagement: Urban Children’s Parliaments as a Case Study*

15:30 – 16:00
Coffee Break – coffee and snacks available at conference sites
MONDAY
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SESSION 4
16:00 – 17:30

M4B5  Religious Leadership

Chair: Aryeh Tepper (aryeh.tepper@mail.huji.ac.il), Shalem Center

Michal Muszkat-Barkan, Hebrew Union College–JIR,
Lisa Grant, Hebrew Union College–JIR, USA
“Like a Distant Cousin”: The Evolving Relationship of Future Reform Rabbis with
the State of Israel and the Jewish People

Shay Rozen, University of Haifa
Against all Odds: Shoghi Effendi and the Baha’i Community in Israel after the 1948 War

David Barak-Gorodetsky, University of Haifa
Twice a Stranger: Judah Leib Magnes as an American Religious Leader in the Yishuv

M4B6  The State of Things: The Role of Scientific Objects
in Israeli State Building and Public Policy

Chair: Nadav Davidovitch, (nadavd@bgu.ac.il), Ben-Gurion University of the Negev

Tamar Novick, University of Pennsylvania
Hungry Goats: Constructing Creatures of Destruction in Palestine/Israel, 1940–1958

Gaby Admon-Rick, Bar-Ilan University
“They cannot carry this burden”: Expertise and the Debate over the Nationalization
of Work-injury Insurance in Israel, 1944–1953

Merav Katz-Kimchi, Tel Aviv University
Civic Leadership and Civic Courage: The Case of the Struggle to Acknowledge the
Risks of Toxic Asbestos Waste in the Western Galilee, 1996–2011

Talia Fried, Bar-Ilan University
From Blight to Epistemic Object: The Standardization of Solid Waste in
Contemporary Environmental Policy
M4B7  
*Roundtable on Michael J. Cohen’s Book*
Britain’s Moment in Palestine: Retrospective and Perspectives, 1917–48

Chair: Joel Migdal (migdal@u.washington.edu), University of Washington
Aviva Halamish, The Open University of Israel
Natan Aridan, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
Michael J. Cohen, Bar-Ilan University

M4M1  
*Israeli Leadership*

Chair: Mira Yungman (mirayu@openu.ac.il), Open University of Israel
Guy Seidman, The Interdisciplinary Center (IDC), Herzliya,
Yahel Kaplan,* The Interdisciplinary Center (IDC), Herzliya

*The Role of Leaders in Israeli Nation-Building: The Case of Hebraization (Ivrut)*

Smadar Spector Danon, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

*Leadership and Education in the Historic Museums in Holon*
Ekaterina Usova, Institute for Oriental Studies, Russian Academy of Sciences

*Israeli Leadership and the Advancement of Gender Equality: Past, Present, and Future*

Sigal Ozery Roitberg, The Open University of Israel and Peres Academic Center


M4M2  
*Local Leadership in a State of Conflict*

Chair: Safa Aburabia (safa.ab@gmail.com), Mandel Center for Leadership in the Negev

Safa Aburabia, Mandel Center for Leadership in the Negev

*New Leadership among the Bedouin Arabs in the Negev*

Shani Bar-On, Mandel Center for Leadership in the Negev

*Mediators: The Art of Social Representation*

Itzhak (Kiki) Ahronovits, Mandel Center for Leadership in the Negev

*Local Leadership in a Frontier-Peripheral City: Between Nationalism and Globalism*
MONDAY
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SESSION 4
16:00 – 17:30

M4M4  Kibutzim in Transition

Chair: Tal Elmaliach (snir.tal@gmail.com), Kibbutzim College

Ephraim Tabory, Bar-Ilan University,
Jacob Noked,* Bar-Ilan University
Non-believing Members: The Conflict Engagement of Religious Kibbutz Settlements with Nonreligious Children

Karolina Wisniewska, University of Warsaw
Equality, Sharing and Distinctions: Kibbutz Founders’ Role in Transformation

Elissa Rosenberg, Technion-Israel Institute of Technology
“Making Death a Part of Life”: The Kibbutz Cemetery as a Garden

M4AUD  Theatre as a Sphere of Identity and Discourse

Chair: Adia Mendelson Maoz (adiamen@openu.ac.il), The Open University of Israel

Diego Rotman, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Israeli Leadership in the Yiddish Satirical Theatre of Dzigan and Shumacher

Leah Gilula, Independent Scholar
Theatre in a Desert: The Establishment of the Beer Sheva Municipal Theatre

Adi Mahalel, Columbia University and University of Maryland
“Beating Their Heads against the Wall”: I.L. Peretz Satires in Hebrew and in Yiddish against Choveve Zion
SESSION 4
16:00 – 17:30

M4D1  
**Critical Decisions on IDF Force Deployment and Force Building: Historical, Legal, and Security Perspectives**

**Chair:** Stuart Cohen (Stuartcoh@gmail.com), Ashkelon Academic College

**Anat Stern**, Tel Aviv University  
*Ariel Sharon as Commander in the Sinai Campaign: A Military Hero or a Catastrophe?*

**Sagi Turgan**, The Israeli College for Security and Investigations  
*Tactical Decisions with Strategic Implications: Must a Political Leader in Israel Have Military Experience?*

**Nimrod Hagiladi**, University of Haifa  
*The IAI Lavi and Reality: Critical Decisions on the way to Abandoning the Dream*

M4D2  
**Israel Studies Goes Global: The Location of Non-Jewish Scholars in the Discipline**

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

**Johannes Becke**, University of Oxford  
*Genocide and Arabism: Paradigms and Blind Spots in German Research on Israel*

**Ewa Wegrzyn**, Jagiellonian University in Krakow  
*Young Polish Historians in the Discipline of Israel Studies*

**Gangzheng She**, Brandeis University  
*The Quest for Mutual Rediscovery: the Opportunities and Challenges of Chinese Scholars in Israel Studies*

**Heba Taha**, University of Oxford  
*Challenges and Opportunities in the Field of Israel Studies in Egypt*

**Amber Taylor**, Brandeis University  
*Grafted Branches Exploring the Root: The Growing Presence of Christian Scholars in the Field of Israel Studies*
M4D3  
Soft Power, Delegitimization, and Political Warfare

Chair: Ron Schleifer (rons@ariel.ac.il), Ariel University

Ron Schleifer, Ariel University  
Undermining Societal Cohesion: The Gilad Shalit Affair

Anna Geifman, Boston University and Bar-Ilan University  
From Bolshevism to Jihad: Political Grievances and Messianism

Richard Landes, Boston University  
“We Are Hamas”: Jihadi Cognitive War, Western News Media, and Israel as the Soft Underbelly of the Democratic World

Gerald Steinberg, Bar-Ilan University  
Failed Leadership and Populist Legislation in Israel: A Case Study

Yehuda Shalem, Ariel University  
The Impact of Modern Israeli Authors on Israeli Society

M4MESH  
Leadership and Decision Making in Times of War

Chair: Zaki Shalom (zshalom@bgu.ac.il), Ben-Gurion University of the Negev

Amir Horkin, Academic Center of Law and Business,  
Baruch Mevorach,* Academic Center of Law and Business,  
Yitzhak Katz*, Maagar Mohot - Interdisciplinary Research and Consulting Institute Ltd.  
The Model and the Professional in Times of War: Local Authorities’ Leaders During Operation “Pillar of Defense”

Giora Goodman, Kinneret College on the Sea of Galilee  
Leadership and News Management in a Crisis: Israeli Leaders and the Media during the 1973 war

Alon Burstein, Concordia University  
The Armies of God and Men: Israel’s Struggle with Palestinian Extremism
M4BGI1  Roundtable: Israel and the World

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

Robert Freedman, Johns Hopkins University (USA)
Yiyi Chen, Peking University (China)
Sarah Fainberg, Tel Aviv University (Central Asia)
Steven David, Johns Hopkins University (Russia)

M4BGI2  Roundtable: Fifty Years after Eichmann in Jerusalem: Hannah Arendt, Israel, and the Holocaust

Chair: Ian Lustick (ilustick@sas.upenn.edu), University of Pennsylvania

Ian Lustick, University of Pennsylvania
Oren Barak, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Jeffrey Kopstein, University of Toronto
Csaba Nikolenyi, Concordia University
David Ohana, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
M4BGI3  New Studies on Menachem Begin’s Leadership

Chair: Arye Naor (aryenaor@gmail.com), Hadassah Academic College and Ben-Gurion University of the Negev

Ziv Rubinovitz, University of Haifa
Begin’s Leadership for Peace

Amir Goldstein, Tel Hai College
Menachem Begin, the Herut Movement, and the Black Panthers’ Protest

Maya Mark, Tel Aviv University
A Lonely Wolf on the Prairie: Menachem Begin and Israel’s Democratic Challenges in the 50s

M4BGI4  Rethinking Jewish Rituals in Israel

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

Hizky Shoham, Bar-Ilan University
Bar/Bat Mitzvah of Israeli Jews: The Temporalization of Jewish Identity

Asaf Sharabi, Peres Academic Center
Deep Healing: Religious Ritual Healing in Israel

Rachel Werczberger, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
The Unorganized Siddur of Israeli Jewish Renewal
MONDAY
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Plenary Session 1
Keynote Address

17:50 – 18:50
George Evens Family Auditorium

Conference Welcome
Menachem Hofnung, President, Association for Israel Studies

Greetings
Pedro Berliner, Director, the Blaustein Institutes for Desert Studies, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev

Keynote Address: Israel - Interrupted Democratic Development?
Itzhak Galnoor, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, The Chazan Center for Social Justice and Democracy, The Van Leer Institute

19:00
Buses leaving for banquet dinner, parking lot, Evens Family Auditorium

19:45 – 22:00
Banquet Dinner & Award Ceremonies
Sfinat Ha’midbar (Desert Ship)

Conference Welcome
Paula Kabalo, Program Chair, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev

Greetings
David Newman, Dean, Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
Shmuel Rifman, Mayor, Ramat-Negev Regional Council

Presenting the Awards
Itamar Rabinovich, President, Israel Institute
Menachem Hofnung, President, Association for Israel Studies

AIS-Israel Institute Lifetime Achievement Award, Prof. Yosef Gorny, Tel Aviv University

AIS-Israel Institute Young Scholar Award
Dr. Omri Herzog, Sapir Academic College

Yonathan Shapiro Award for Best Book in Israel Studies, Prof. Guy Ben Porat, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev

Ben Halpern Award for Best Dissertation in Israel Studies, Dr. Nitzan Rothem, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Baruch Kimmerling Prize for Best Graduate Paper, Ms. Dana Gold, Western University, Canada
SESSION 1
09:00 – 10:30

T1B5 Honor-Shame as a Category of Analysis

Chair: Harold Rhode, (hrhode@verizon.net), Independent scholar

Richard Landes, Boston University (reader)
Phillip Salzman, * McGill University
*The Tribal Foundation of the Honor-Complex in the Middle East

Lucien-Samir Oulahbib, Université Jean Moulin
*The Arab Refusal to Lose Face, Domestic and International

Gideon Kressel, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
Clan, Tribe and Arab Infrastructure: Springtime for Arab Feuds

Richard Landes, Boston University
The Shame of it All: The Naqbah as Global Humiliation

Comments, David Bukay, University of Haifa
T1B6  The Contribution of German Jewish Immigrants to Israeli Nation Building: Communicational, Educational, and Linguistical Perspectives

Chair: Ofer Ashkenazi (ofer.ashkenazi@mail.huji.ac.il), The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Osnat Roth-Cohen, Ariel University,
Yehiel Limor, Bar-Ilan University

German Immigration and its Impact on the Development of an Advertising Industry: The Case of the Land of Israel in the 1930s

Miriam Szamet, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

German Cultural Transfer in the Fields of Pedagogy and Education in Mandatory Palestine

Micha Limor, University of Haifa

The German Roots of the Modern Hebrew Private Press

Nurit Carmel, Kinneret College on the Sea of Galilee, Nazareth Academic Institute

The Cultural-Linguistic Aspect of the German Jewish Immigrants: Reflections and Insights of a Complex World

T1B7  Israel and the World

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

Alla Zakharchenko, Odessa Mechnikov National University, National Institute for Strategic Studies under President of Ukraine

Israel and Ukraine: Main Achievements and New Tendencies in Bilateral Relations

Pavel Pseja, Masaryk University

Europeanization in Israel: Mission (Im) Possible?

David Tooch, Florida International University

Israel’s Knowledge and Technology Transfers as Tools of Diplomacy in Africa
SESSION 1
09:00 – 10:30

T1M1  The War at the Door: Family, Community, and State in Times of War — Observations from 20th Century Palestine

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

Ella Eylon, Tel Aviv University
Changes in the Structure of the Family in the Jewish Community in Jerusalem as a Result of World War I

Matan Boord, Tel Aviv University
Fatherly Feelings: Labor Zionists’ Urban Masculinities in Times of War

Elia Etkin, Tel Aviv University
Building a Home in the National Home after World War II

Hadas Fischer-Rosenberg, Tel Aviv University
“Third Floor, Turn Off The Light!”: Blackout Regulations, Private Space, and Social Control in World War II Palestine

T1M2  Roundtable: Whitewashing Narratives — Historiography and the Yemenite Babies Affair

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

Meir Amor, Concordia University
Shoshana Madmoni-Gerber, Suffolk University
Esther Hertzog, Beit Berl College
T1M3  Innovative Leadership

Chair: Avi Picard (avi.picard@biu.ac.il), Bar-Ilan University

Daiva Repeckaite, Vytautas Magnus University, VU University Amsterdam
*For and against the Enclave: Russian-Speakers on Initiative and Leadership in Culture*

Amir Locker-Biletzki, University of Guelph
*The Perfect Jewish Communist*

Zeev Zivan, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
*Lova Eliav and the Birth of Nitzana*

T1M4  Zionism and the Yishuv: The Early Years

Chair: Rona Yona (ronayona@post.tau.ac.il), Tel Aviv University

Yuval Ben-Bassat, University of Haifa
*A New Outlook on the History of Proto-Zionist-Arab Encounters in Late Ottoman Eretz Yisrael*

Liora Halperin, University of Colorado Boulder
*A Murder in the Grove: Conceptions of Justice in an Early Zionist Colony*

Shira Klein, Chapman University
*The Yishuv and Italian Jews, 1900–1948*
**T1AUD**  
*Interpreting Through Visual Images*

**Chair:** Leah Gilula (leah.gilula@mail.huji.ac.il), Independent Scholar

Gila Aloni, Lynn University, AMAES  
*Faceless Leadership in Times of Crisis*

Ofer Berenstein, University of Calgary  
*Rabbi, Ribbi, or Rebbe: Religious Leaders in Orthodox, Ultra-Orthodox and Zionist-Orthodox Israeli Comics and the Zionist-Orthodox Crisis of Leadership*

Shirly Bahar, New York University  
*Cinema Jenin: The Representational and Discursive Events of “Jenin Jenin”*

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**T1D1**  
*History of Children and Youth*

**Chair:** Edna Lomsky Feder (msednal@mscc.huji.ac.il),  
The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Renana Kristal, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev  
*The Establishment of the School for Blind Children, the First Institution of Special Education in the Yishuv, 1902–1948*

Galia Hasharoni, University of Haifa  
*“We Sat and Thought, We Thought and Spoke, We Spoke and We Did”: Early Attempts to Establish Child and Youth Associations in Palestine.*

Nava Dekel, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem  
*“The Hebrew Teacher is the Nation’s Pioneer”: Teachers as Leaders at the Beginning of the Jewish Yishuv in Palestine-Eretz Israel.*
T1D2  

**Security Policy and Military Empowerment**

**Chair: Chuck Freilich** (chuck_freilich@harvard.edu), Harvard University

**Joseph Constance**, Saint Anselm College  
*The Decision to Defend: Israel, the United States, and Ballistic Missile Defense 1990-2013: Cooperation, Comparisons, and Contrasts*

**Amir Lupovici**, Tel Aviv University  
*Securitization Climax: Putting the Iranian Nuclear Project at the Top of the Israeli Public Agenda (2009-2012)*

**Natan Aridan**, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev  
*Israel’s Advocates, the US Department of Justice, and the FBI: 1948–1963*

T1D3  

**Immigrant Experience and Identity**

**Chair: Ori Yehudai** (oyehudai@uchicago.edu), University of Chicago

**Rusi Jaspal**, De Montfort University  
*Imagining “Home”: Identity Processes among Persian Israelis and Iranian Jews*

**Sebastian Klor**, University of Texas at Austin  
*The Influence of the Eichmann Trial on Aliyah from Argentina*

**Bina Freiwald**, Concordia University  
*Which Way Up? Representations of Aliya in Recent Jewish-Canadian Writing*
SESSION 1
09:00 – 10:30

T1MESH  Global Attitudes and Israeli Participation in Global Forums

Chair: Ian Lustick (ilustick@sas.upenn.edu), University of Pennsylvania

Rafael Ben Levi, The Interdisciplinary Center (IDC), Herzliya
Amnon Cavari, The Interdisciplinary Center (IDC), Herzliya
Global Attitudes toward Israel

Eitan Barak, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Israel’s Political Predicament and the Mixed Blessings of Syrian Chemical Weapons Disarmament

Guy Freedman, The Interdisciplinary Center (IDC), Herzliya
Amnon Cavari, The Interdisciplinary Center (IDC), Herzliya
Assessing Knowledge and Attitudes of Americans about the Arab-Israeli Conflict

T1BGI1  Israeli Leadership – Times of Crisis

Chair: Maoz Rosenthal (mrosenthal@idc.ac.il),
The Interdisciplinary Center (IDC), Herzliya

Roby Nathanson, The Macro Center for Political Economics
Peace Dividends and the Cost of War: An Opinion Poll and Comparative Empirical Analysis

Gabor Balazs, Jewish University of Hungary
Leadership Decisions in Time of Crisis

Inbal Blau, Tel Aviv University
Ma’agan Flight Crash: A Test Case of Social and Legal Decisions of Israeli Leadership in Times of Crisis
T1BGI2  Excluded Groups and State Authority

Chair: Nahum Karlinsky (nahumk@bgu.ac.il), Ben-Gurion University of the Negev

Michal Tamir, Shaarei Mishpat College,
Dana Pugach, Ono Academic College
The Criminal Process as a Chess Game: the Victim as a Silenced Player

Keren LG Snider, University of Haifa,
Daphna Canetti, * University of Haifa,
Yael Yishai, * University of Haifa
The Formation of Attitudes toward Asylum Seekers within a Context of Political Violence: The Complicated Case of Israel

Naomi Gale, Ashkelon Academic College
Women in Sex Trafficking as the “Others” in Israeli Society: Social, Moral and Legal Ramifications

T1BGI3  Women and Politics: Between Conformity and Challenging the System

Chair: Hanna Herzog (hherzog@post.tau.ac.il), Tel Aviv University

Pnina Lahav, Boston University
The Woman Factor in the Municipal Elections in Tel Aviv, 1955

Ronit Irshai, Bar-Ilan University
Tanya Zion-Waldoks, Bar-Ilan University
Modern-Orthodox Feminism in Israel: Tempered Radicalism

Henriette Dahan-Kalev, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
Vicki Knafo between the Family and the State: Resistance and Refusal Strategies

Hanna Herzog, Tel Aviv University
Gender Mainstreaming: The Case of the 2011 Summer Protests in Israel
SESSION 1
09:00 – 10:30

T1BGI4 Challenges of Zionist Pre-State Leadership

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

Ayelet Reitan, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
Jabotinsky’s View in Relation to the Arab Minority in Israel as a Model of Policy

Amir Peleg, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
From the Warsaw Ghetto to the Outskirts of Beirut: Menachem Begin’s Way to a “Moral War by Choice”

Alex Valdman, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
New Leaders?: Jewish Pupils and Students in Late 19th Century Russia between Elitism and Populism

10:30 – 11:00
Coffee Break – coffee and snacks available at conference sites
SESSION 2
11:00 – 12:30

**T2B5  Religion, State, and Identity in Israel**

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

**Sergio DellaPergola,** The Hebrew University of Jerusalem  
*Religious Intermarriage in Israel: Evidence from the 2008 Population Census*

**Noga Cohen,** Ben-Gurion University of the Negev  
*“She was Special and She Received Permission”: Ultra-orthodox Women and the Public Sphere*

**Raphael Cohen-Almagor,** University of Hull  
*Judaism v. Liberalism – The Status of Jewish Women in Israel*

**T2B6  Close Encounters with Familiar Stangers in 1950s Israel**

**Chair:** Pnina Lahav  
(plahav@bu.edu), Boston University

**Orit Rozin,** Tel Aviv University  
*Settlers, Soldiers, and Policy Makers Facing Palestinian Infiltration*

**Avital Margalit,** Sapir Academic College  
*The Communist Epidemic: The Moshavim Movement and the Fear of Communist Settlers*

**Anat Kidron,** University of Haifa  
*Leadership, Establishment, and Youth Activism in Israel: A Review of the First Twenty Years of the State*
T2B7  Art and Identity

Chair: Hanna Herzog (hherzog@post.tau.ac.il), Tel Aviv University

Smadar Sheffi, The Hebrew University Jerusalem
Leadership/Dictatorship: Raffi Lavie and the Israeli Art Scene or the Sabra, Modernism, and the Guru

Alexandra Nocke, independent scholar

Nina Fischer, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem
“But in Your heart, You are Israel”: Preminger’s Exodus and the Cinematic Version of Israel’s Nation-building Process

Sarit Cofman-Simhon, Kibbutzim College
Leading Ethiopian Actresses in Israel: the New Belle Juive

T2M1  Reframing the Conflict

Chair: Nohad ‘Ali (nohadali@soc.haifa.ac.il), University of Haifa

Yael Aronoff, Michigan State University
Eric Aronoff, Michigan State University
Bordering on Peace: Spatial Narratives of Border Crossings between Israel, Jordan, and Egypt

Dana Barnett, King’s College London
Making the Holocaust-Nakba Equivalency: The Nazification of Israel among Post-Zionist Scholars

Sagit Yehoshua, King’s College London
The Social-psychology Profile of Terrorist Leaders in Israeli Prisons
T2M2  Urban Culture

Chair: Daniel Schiffman (schiffman@012.net.il), Ariel University

Hemi Sheinblat, Tel Aviv University
The Israeli Electric Age 1958-1967- the Rising Consumer Culture of Household Electrical Appliances

Doron Oryan, Bar-Ilan University
The Making of the Israeli Car

Eran Eldar, The Open University of Israel
The Relations between the Leadership of the City of Tel Aviv and the Central Government of Israel in the 1950s

T2M3  The Army, Minorities, and Masculinity

Chair: Anja Sletteland (a.b.sletteland@sosgeo.uio.no), University of Oslo

Tair Karazi-Presler, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Between Empowerment and Shame: A Retrospective View of Power among Women Military Officers

Rami Zeedan, The Open University of Israel
The Minorities’ Unit of the IDF: From Volunteer to Compulsory Service

Aidan J. Beatty, University of Chicago
Masculinity and Political Elites in Zionism and Irish Nationalism
T2M4  Women and Political Leadership

Chair: Einat Lachover (eina@mail.sapir.ac.il), Sapir Academic College

Einat Lachover, Sapir Academic College
The Portrayal of Women Politicians in Israeli Popular Women’s Magazines

Tsfira Grebelsky-Lichtman, Ono Academic College
Women Politicians: A Mixed Political Communication Model

Einat Gedalya Lavy, Tel Aviv University
Michal Shamir, Tel Aviv University
The Gender Gap in Voting Patterns in Israel 1969–2013

T2AUD  State-Building Rituals

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

Daniel Marom, Mandel Leadership Institute
Ben Zion Dinur’s Independence Day Initiatives as Enactments of Subversive Pedagogy in Israel’s First Decade

Assaf Selzer, University of Haifa
The Leader was Absent but his Ideas were There: How did the Prime Minister Influence the Program of the ‘The Tenth Anniversary Events’?

Adi Sherzer, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
Jewish Traditions and the Creation of A New Israeli Narrative: A Study on the Formation of Israeli Independence Day as a New National Holiday
SESSION 2
11:00 – 12:30

T2D1  Excluded Groups: Attitudes and Policies

Chair: Daiva Repeckaite (contact@daivarepeckaite.com), Vytautas Magnus University, VU University Amsterdam

Yehuda Sharim, Rice University 
*Coming to Blackness: The Politics of Race in Israel, 1948-1975*

Ilan Shdema, The Tami Steinmetz Center for Peace Research, Tel Aviv University 
*Vertical versus Horizontal Factors in Jewish-Arab Interrelations in Contemporary Mixed Israeli Cities: the Case of Lod and Ramla*

Sarah Willen, University of Connecticut 
*“Foreign Workers,” “Infiltrators,” and “Israeli Children”: Unauthorized Migration and Israel’s Local Moral Economy of Deservingness*

T2D2  Political Structures

Chair: Csaba Nikolenyi (csabanikolenyi@hotmail.com), University of Concordia

Maoz Rosenthal, The Interdisciplinary Center (IDC), Herzliya 
*Israeli Coalitions 1948-2011: Using Coalitional Instability to Facilitate Cabinet Stability*

Morin Hayo-Hemo, University of Haifa 
Doron Navot, * University of Haifa 
*Cycles of Patronage: The Linkage between Political Competition, Liberalization, and Party Rent-seeking in Italy and Israel*

Oded Haklai, Queen’s University, 
Liora Norwich, Concordia University 
*The Door’s Open, Don’t Come In: The Exclusion of Minority Ethnonational Parties from Coalition Governments in Canada and Israel*

Irit Keynan, The College for Academic Studies 
*Decisions, Leaders and Trauma: Social PTSD or Manipulation?*
SESSION 2  
11:00 – 12:30

**T2D3**  
*Responding to Academic Boycotts: Current State and Future Directions*

**Chair:** Asaf Zohar (azohar@trentu.ca), Trent University

**Samuel Edelman,** California State University, Chico  
**Etaiy Sishgal,** Israel on Campus Coalition (ICC)  
*Mapping the Reality of Israel–Related Events at US Colleges and Universities*

**Asaf Zohar,** Trent University  
**Noah Shack,** Canadian Academics for Peace in the Middle East  
*Revitalizing The Role of Voluntary Academic Faculty Associations in Response to Academic Boycotts*

**Asaf Zohar,** Trent University  
**Dylan Hanley,** Centre for Israel and Jewish Affairs  
*Academic Boycotts as Wicked Problems: Reflections on The Complex Negotiation of Shared and Divergent Interests of a Voluntary Academic Faculty Association*

**T2MESH**  
*Roundtable on Guy Ben-Porat’s Book, Between State and Synagogue - The Secularization of Contemporary Israel*

**Chair:** Gideon Katz (katzgid@bgu.ac.il), Ben-Gurion University of the Negev

**Gideon Katz,** Ben-Gurion University of the Negev  
**Nir Kedar,** Sapir Academic College and Bar-Ilan University  
**Aviad Rubin,** University of Haifa  
**Guy Ben-Porat,** Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
SESSION 2
11:00 – 12:30

T2BGI1  Arab-Israeli Conflict and the Dynamics of Honor-Shame

Chair: Richard Landes (rlandes@bu.edu), Boston University

Anat Berko, The Interdisciplinary Center (IDC), Herzliya
*Honor-Shame and the Smarter Bombs: The Complex Dynamics of Female Suicide Terror*

Bassem Eid, Palestinian Human Rights Monitoring Group
*Honor, Violence, and Silence: Killing Women and Jailing Journalists*

Harold Rhode, Independent scholar (former Pentagon analyst)
*Misunderstanding Honor and Shame: Why Every American-led Peace Effort, from Oslo to Kerry, has Failed*

Mordechai Kedar, Bar Ilan University
*Tribal Dynamics as a Solution to the Problem of Palestinian “Nationalism”*

Comments, Reuven Berko, Independent Scholar

T2BGI2  Roundtable: New Book - The Political System in Israel by Itzhak Galnoor and Dana Blander

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

Itzhak Galnoor, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, The Chazan Center for Social Justice and Democracy, The Van Leer Institute

Dana Blander, Israel Democracy Institute

Alan Dowty, University of Notre Dame

Shaul Shenhav, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Nir Weiner, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem
SESSION 2
11:00 – 12:30

T2BGI3  Leadership, Critical Decisions, and Missed Opportunities in Israeli Science

Chair: Gili Drori (gili.drori@mail.huji.ac.il), The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Pnina Abir-Am, Brandeis University

Shaul Katz, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem
*Chaim Weizmann's Science Policy and the Beginnings of Israeli Science

Ari Barell, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
Zionism and Science: Some Preliminary Observations

Henry Fenichel,* University of Cincinnati
William B. Jensen,* University of Cincinnati
*The Influence of Ernst David Bergmann on Israeli Science Policy

Amy Ben Dor, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem
“I Guess Women are Simply not so Entrepreneurial”: On Gendered Policy Initiatives to Support Technology Innovation in Israel

T2BGI4  History of Women

Chair: Naomi Gale (ngalelaw@yahoo.com), Ashkelon Academic College

Dalia Ofer, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Women Survivors of the Holocaust: From Destruction to Reconstruction

Mira Yungman, The Open University of Israel
*The Leadership of American Zionist Women's Organizations: The Impact of Their Different Zionist Identities on Projects in Pre-State Israel, 1912–1948

Bat-Sheva Margalit Stern, Schechter Institute of Jewish Studies
Female Leadership in the Process of Nation-building: Ada Fishman as a Case Study

12:30–14:00
Lunch Break
TUESDAY
JUNE 24, 2014

13:00 – 14:00

BGI2
AIS General Assembly
light lunch (sandwiches) included
Session 3

14:00 – 15:30
Mini-Plenaries

**T3AUD**
Roundtable: Responding to the Boycott in Academia – A Conversation about BDS

Chair: Ron Kiener, Trinity College
Rachel S. Harris, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
Ilan Troen, Brandeis University
Martin B. Shichtman, Eastern Michigan University
David Newman, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev

**T3B7**
Roundtable on Ari Shavit’s *My Promised Land: The Triumph and Tragedy of Israel*

Chair: Emanuel Adler, University of Toronto
Oded Haklai, Queen’s University
Joel Migdal, University of Washington
Derek Penslar, University of Oxford
Anita Shapira, Tel Aviv University
Ari Shavit, Author and Journalist

**T3M1**
History of Education: Association Meeting
15:30  
**Departure of shuttles to on-site sessions in the Sede Boqer area:**  
Ben-Gurion’s Desert Home (Tzrif), Yeruham, Ashalim, Revivim, Bir Hadaj  
Central Parking Lot - behind building B

**Session Fieldtrips:** Off-campus academic sessions sponsored by Jewish National Fund (KKL), History Research Institute for Zionism and Settlement

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**T4BIR  Bedouins in Israel (Bir Hadaj)**

**Chair:** Kobi Peled (kobipeled@yahoo.com), Ben-Gurion University of the Negev

**Emir Galilee,** Institute for National Security Studies, INSS  
**Nadia Hilo,** Institute for National Security Studies, INSS  
**Manal Hreib,** Institute for National Security Studies, INSS  
*Bedouin Leadership in Israel: Challenges in an Age of Transition*

**Esra Bakkalbasioglu,** University of Washington  
*Breaking the Infrastructural Dependency: Solar Panels as New Tools of Resistance*

**Havatzelet Yahel,** The Hebrew University of Jerusalem  
**Ruth Kark,** The Hebrew University of Jerusalem  
*Reasoning from History?: Israel’s ‘Peace Law’ and the Resettlement of Tel Malhata Bedouin*
T4ASH  
Follow Me!: Social Leadership in Educational Settings (Ashalim)

Chair: Tali Tadmor-Shimony (talits@bgu.ac.il), Ben-Gurion University of the Negev

Tali Tadmor-Shimony, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev  
Social Leaders in Crisis: Israeli Teachers during the State’s First Decades

Nirit Raichel, Gordon College  
Youth Villages as Pioneers in Immigrant Absorption during the State of Israel’s First Two Decades

Estie Yankelevitch, University of Haifa  
A High School Principal and Leadership: Nathan Fiat and the Kadoorie Mount Tabor Agricultural School 1937–1959

Yuval Dror, Tel Aviv University  
The Collective Leadership of the Kibbutz Artzi Movement in its First Residential Secondary Educational Institution, Shomria, and ‘The Subject Method’ as the Main Collective Study and Ideological Device (1931–1945)

T4TZR  
New Observations on Ben-Gurion’s Leadership, (Desert Home/Tzrif)

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

Jacob Tovy, University of Haifa  
Destruction and Accounting: Ben-Gurion, Sharett, and the Question of Reparations from Germany

Avi Shilon, Bar-Ilan University  
Ben-Gurion, Epilogue: Changes and Continuation in his Thoughts, 1968–1973

Aviva Halamish, The Open University of Israel  
Ben-Gurion and Ben-Zvi: A Comparative Leadership Analysis
SESSION 4
16:00 – 19:00

T4REV  Social and Institutional Changes in the Kibbutz Movement 1930–1960 (Revivim)

Chair: Avi Bareli (abareli@bgu.ac.il), Ben-Gurion University of the Negev

Alon Pauker, Beit Berl College
Hashomer Hatzair Urban Youth Movement as a Mirror Image to Conflicts within Ha’Kibbutz Ha’Artzi Movement after the Establishment of the State of Israel

Doron Timor, Tel Aviv University
"Idealist Intellectuals Put to the Test": The Palmach’s Urban Hachsharot Meguyasot Approach to Higher Education

Tal Elmaliach, Kibbutzim College
The Struggle over the Economic Development of the Kibbutzim of Hakibbutz Haartzi in the 1960s

T4YER  The Immigrant Towns as a Microcosm of Israel's History and Society (Yerubam)

Chair: Bat-Zion Klorman-Eraqi (bater@openu.ac.il), The Open University of Israel

Yaron Shemer, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
Time and Space in Mizrahi Cinema: The Limits of the Zionist Reach

Avi Picard, Bar-Ilan University
Israeli Ethnicity in the 1970s and 1980s: From a Struggle for Equality to a Conflict of Identity

Esther Meir-Glitzenstein, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
From Emigration to Expulsion: The Exodus of Iraqi Jews, 1950–1951
19:30 – 21:00
Musical Performance and Israeli Dinner (Falafel)

Live Music: Joya Ba’midbar (Joya in the Desert)

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Free shuttles from all on-site session locations (Ben-Gurion’s Desert Home [Tzrif], Yeruham, Ashalim, Revivim, Bir Hadaj) will be provided.
WEDNESDAY
JUNE 25, 2014

SESSION 1
09:00 – 10:30

08:00 – 10:00
Daily Registration (new arrivals)

W1B5  Ovadiah Yosef, Leader and Rabbi

Chair: Ofer Berenstein (O.Berenstein@ucalgary.ca), University of Calgary

Joseph Ringel, University of Maryland
The Legacy of Rabbi Ovadiah Yosef as Seen through His Sephardic Rabbinic Critics

Anat Feldman, Achva Academic College
Rabbi Ovadia Yosef: From Political Resource to Political Leader

Ari Moshkovski, Brandeis University
From Ardent Support to Ambivalence and Opposition: Rabbi Ovadia Yosef on “Land for Peace”

W1B6  The Etatisation of Emotions: Gendering Avoidance and Resistance to Military Service

Chairs: Edna Lomsky-Feder (msednal@mscc.huji.ac.il), The Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Orna Sasson-Levy (sassono@mail.biu.ac.il), Bar-Ilan University

Erica Weiss, Tel Aviv University
Feminized Emotions or Feminist Emotions? Shaping Women’s Resistance to Militarism in Israel

Merav Perez, Bar-Ilan University
Draft Avoidance in Israel: Chronicle of Resistance to Hegemonic Masculinity

Nitzan Rothem, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Gendering Military Suicide: Between a Loved Country and an Unloved Self
W1B7  North Reaching Out: Israels Relations with the US and Europe

Chair: Dov Waxman (dov.waxman@gmail.com), The City University of New York (CUNY)

Aaron Walter, Masaryk University
The Limits of Influence: Gerald Ford, Yitzhak Rabin, and the 1975 Reassessment of US-Israeli Relations

Daniel Schiffman, Ariel University
Warren Young*, Bar-Ilan University, Yaron Zelekha, Ono Academic College
Milton Friedman and Israeli Economic Policy, 1977

Gadi Heimann, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Israel-EEC Relations, 1957–1964

W1M1  Leadership Typologies

Chair: Ilan Peleg (pelegi@lafayette.edu), Lafayette College

Guy Ziv, American University
Bringing Agency Back In: The Peres Presidency

Efrat Seckbach, Bar-Ilan University
The Image of Ariel Sharon as a Leader in the Collective Memory of Israeli Society, 1953–1987

Valentina Morselli, Université Libre de Bruxelles
Leadership in Times of Crisis: Israeli Leaders at the Crossroad between International and Domestic Pressures – Episodes of Operation Peace for Galilee under Study
W1M2  Feminism in Israel

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

Galit Yanay-Ventura, The Max Stern Academic College of Emek Yezreel
Orthodox Feminism in Israel: a New Look at Feminism and a New Look at Orthodoxy

Tal Meler, Zefat Academic College
The Palestinian Family in Israel: Simultaneous Trends

Lilach Lurie, Bar-Ilan University
Do Unions Promote Gender Equality? Women and Men in Israel’s Collective Agreements

W1M3  Workers and Entrepreneurs in Israel

Chair: Yuval Yonay (yyonay@soc.haifa.ac.il), University of Haifa

Dmitry Maryasis, Oriental Studies Institute of the Russian Academy of Sciences
Long-term Leadership in Innovation Economics: The Case of Israel

Lavi Shay, Yad Izhak Ben-Zvi
Private Farms: Early Examples of Private Entrepreneurship and Crony Capitalism in Israel?

Gadi Nissim, Ruppin Academic Center
Professionalization of Labor Relations: The Case of Workers’ Committees in Israel
SESSION 1
09:00 – 10:30

W1M4  Roundtable: Politics of Estrangement: Past and Present Intellectualization of Otherhood

Chair: Meir Amor (meir.amor@concordia.ca), Concordia University
Esther Hertzog, Beit Berl College
Erella Shadmi, Beit Berl College
Chen Bram, James Madison College of Public Affairs, Michigan State University

W1AUD  The Peace Process – Policy and Civic Activism

Chair: Ariel Zellman (ariel.zellman@mail.huji.ac.il), The Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Yakub Halabi, Concordia University
Israel and the Peace Process: The Foreign Policy of a Weak Government within a Strong State.

Leonie Fleischmann, City University London
Israeli Peace Activism since the Second Intifada: A New Trajectory

Jon Simons, Indiana University
Torture, Bereavement, and Israeli Peace Culture
W1D1  Home and Away: (re)Formations of Diaspora, Exile, and the State amongst Jewish Israelis in Israel/Palestine and Abroad

Chair: Hila Amit (hili.amit@gmail.com), SOAS, University of London

Fiona Wright, University of Cambridge
On Not Being At Home in One’s Home: The Exilic Ethics of Left-wing Jewish Israeli Activists

Sonia Zafer-Smith, University College London
Shelter and Anti-Shelter in the New Israeli Diaspora

Hila Amit, SOAS, University of London
The Life of Others: Sexuality, Not Belonging and Abroad

W1D2  Leadership and Decision Making

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

Barak Ben Zur, The Interdisciplinary Center (IDC), Herzliya
The Primary Influence of Leaders on the Performance of Intelligence Communities

Ben Herzog, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
Dual Citizenship of Knesset Members

Csaba Nikolenyi, Concordia University
Institutional and Strategic Foundations of Party Switching in the Knesset

Clila Magen, Bar-Ilan University
The Evolution of Public Relations in Israel
SESSION 1
09:00 – 10:30

W1D3  Palestinian and Arab Discourse

Chair: Benjamin Hary (bhary@emory.edu), Emory University and New York University

Gal Levy, The Open University of Israel, Dana Kaplan*, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem
The Arab Spring in the Israeli Media and Emergent Conceptions of Citizenship

Nohad ‘Ali, Western Galilee Academic College
Israeli’s Elite Positions Concerning the Arab Spring

Massoud Eghbarieh, Beit Berl Academic College
Assertive Leadership Willing to Challenge: The Case of Arabs in Israel

W1MESH  Democracy Challenged

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

Ayelet Harel Shalev, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
Sarina Chen, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev and UCLA
Israel and India in a Labyrinth of Democracy and Nationalism

Hadara Bar-Mor, Netanya Academic College
Paula Kabalo,* Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
The Challenge [or threat] of Freedom of Association in Young Democracies: Tracing the Changing Versions of Israel’s Law of Societies

Avital Pilpel, University of Haifa
Elad Uzan, * The Interdisciplinary Center (IDC), Herzliya
Israeli Referendum and Rational Belief Change

Israel Tal Saranga, Bar-Ilan University
Public Trust in the Armed Forces: The Case of Israel
W1BGI1  Experienced the Holocaust and Commemorating it

Chair: Dalia Ofer (dalia.ofer@mail.huji.ac.il), The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Moshe Berent, The Open University of Israel
The Zionist Movement and Jewish Leadership during the Holocaust

Henriette Dahan Kalev, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
A Second Order Decision: Holocaust and Mizrahim

Idit Gil, The Open University of Israel
Between Silence and Family: Testimonies of Holocaust Survivors in Israel

W1BGI2  National Security, Law, and Politics in Israel

Chair: David Kretzmer (davidkretz2013@gmail.com), Sapir Academic College

Menachem Hofnung, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem
The Social Consequences of Intelligence Supremacy: Relocation of Informers within Israel

Amichai Cohen, Ono Academic College
Stuart Cohen, Ashkelon Academic College
How Did Aharon Barak’s Judicial Activism Influence Israeli Jurisprudence in National Security Issues?: A Systemic Analysis

Gad Barzilai, University of Haifa
Why the Israeli Supreme Court Tends to be Majoritarian on Matters of National Security and Human Rights
SESSION 1
09:00 – 10:30

W1BGI3 Jewish Leadership and Emigration from Romania to the Land of Israel in the 20th Century

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

Felicia Waldman, University of Bucharest
Leadership in Times of Crisis: Alexander Safran

Irina Nastasa-Matei, University of Bucharest
Anti-Semitism and Zionism in Early 20th Century Romania

Mihai Chioveanu, University of Bucharest
Reassessing Emigration Policy during the Holocaust

W1BGI4 Rabbi Yoel Teitelbaum, the Satmar Rebbe, Confronts Zionism and Israeli Reality

Chair: Motti Inbari (inbari@uncp.edu), University of North Carolina at Pembroke, UNC

Motti Inbari, University of North Carolina at Pembroke, UNC
How Did the Satmar Rebbe Survive the Holocaust? An Unknown Chapter in the Rebbe’s Biography that Reflects on his Relationships with Zionist Activists during the Second World War

David Sorotzkin, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
Haredism and Nationalism: Portraying the Borderline of the Haredi-Zionist Discourse in Light of the Writings of the Satmar Rebbe

Menachem Keren-Kratz, Bar-Ilan University
The Jewish State: An Ultimate Evil or a Golden Opportunity?: An Anti-Zionist Leader’s Dilemma

Isaac Hershkowitz, Bar-Ilan University
Rudolf Kasztner as Satan: Rabbi Teitelbaum’s Historiosophic Outlook as a Paradigm of Ungratefulness

10:30 – 11:00
Coffee Break – coffee and snacks available at conference sites
W2B5  
**Israel, The Middle East, and The World**

**Chair:** Emir Galilee  
(emir.galilee@gmail.com), Institute for National Security Studies, INSS

**Gil Merom,** University of Sydney  
*The Causes and Consequences of Israel’s Changing Status in the Middle East*

**Adina Friedman,** George Mason University  
*Israel’s Identity and Place in the Region: Reimagining the Boundaries of Imagined Communities*

**Maya Rosenfeld,** The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev  
*The Historical Shift in the PLO’s Political Strategy and Israeli Rejectionism: A Re-examination of the Israeli Reaction to PLO Decision Making in the 1970s and 1980s*

W2B6  
**Pro-Israel Lobbying in Germany, the US, and Mexico - A Comparative and Historical Perspective on the Relationship between Israel and the Diasporas**

**Chair:** Dani Kranz  
(dani@danikranz.com), Bergische University Wuppertal

**Dani Kranz,** Bergische University Wuppertal  
*Lobbying for Israel in Germany*

**Ariela K. Gugenheim,** Universidad Iberoamericana  
*Pro-Israel Lobbying in Mexico in 1975: UN Resolution 3379*

**Hadas Cohen,** New Schools of Social Research  
*Lobbying for Israel: The American Case*
SESSION 2
11:00 – 12:30

W2B7  Roundtable: The Status and Functions of the Attorney General’s Office – Discussions of Yoav Dotan’s Book: Lawyering for the Rule of Law

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

Yoav Dotan, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Gad Barzilai, University of Haifa
Keren Weinshall, Israeli Courts Research Division

W2M1  Security Policy

Chair: Jon Simons (simonsj@indiana.edu), Indiana University

Avner Cohen, The Monterey Institute of International Studies
Israel’s Nuclear Project: Leadership and the Critical Decisions

Deganit Paikowsky, University of Haifa & Tel Aviv University
Ehud Eiran, University of Haifa
Self-help, Reliance and Territory: The Launch of the Israeli Satellite Program

Daniel Monk, Colgate University
‘Provoking Us Into Provoking You’: The Rational Irrationality of Deterrence in Israel’s Repertoires of Contention

Etel Solingen, University of California Irvine
Sanctions, Statecraft and Nuclear Proliferation: The Case of Iran
W2M2  Memory and War

Chair: Idit Gil (iditgi@openu.ac.il), The Open University of Israel

Anat Marle-Heffetz, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev

Anat Goldman, University of Washington
Commemorating the Day, Commemorating the People: Consensus and Inclusivity in Memorial Day in Israel and in Ataturk Memorial Day in Turkey

Harbord Katherine, Liverpool John Moores University
You and I and the Next War: Collective Memory and Foreign Policy Making—The Case of the 2006 Lebanon War

W2M4  Branding (in) Jerusalem: Strategies of Local and Trans/national Place-making

Chair: Dana Hercbergs (hercbergs@yahoo.com), University of Maryland

Dana Hercbergs, University of Maryland
Chaim Noy, University of South Florida
The Davidization of Jerusalem: Visualizing Political Shifts in the Holy City

Michael Feige, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
Jerusalem Re-branded: Archaeology in the City of David

Bonna Devora Haberman, Women of the Wall, Y Theater Project Jerusalem
Engaged Israeli Judaism: Upgrading Western Social Ethics based on Women of the Wall
SESSION 2  
11:00 – 12:30

W2AUD  
*Cinematic Observations on the Zionist Dream*

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

Ranen Omer-Sherman, University of Miami  
*The Decline of Kibbutz Leadership in Oded Hirsch’s Hallucinatory Video Art (Tochka, Habaita, 40 Blue, Nothing New)*

Lea Fima, McGill University  
*The Collapse of the Zionist Dream: From Socialism to Capitalism in Ra’anan Alexandrowicz’s film James’s Journey to Jerusalem (2003)*

Dor Yaccobi, Tel Aviv University,  
Omri Yavin, * The Interdisciplinary Center (IDC), Herzliya  
*Don Kishon and Sancho Sallah: A New Approach to Efraim Kishon’s Films*

W2D1  
*Feminine Leadership during the Period of the Yishuv: a Breakthrough*

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

Esther Carmel Hakim, University of Haifa  
*Sophie Udin 1896–1960: a Pioneer-Woman Leader*

Smadar Sinai, Yad-Tabenkin  
“We Aspired to Equal our Friends in Security Missions as Well…”: Hashomer Women Break the Cycle of Exclusion, 1907–1939

Tamar Kaminsky, Herzog College and Orot College  
“The Locomotive Engine Leading the Rest of the Train”: The Case of the Forefront of the Enterprise Among Ein Harod Women

Orit Yaal, Kinneret College  
*Irgun Neshot Ha’chayalim and Dvar Ha’Poelet*
SESSION 2
11:00 – 12:30

W2D2  The Territories: Policies and Perceptions

Chair: Dana Rubin (d.rubin@open.ac.uk), The Open University of England

Oded Haklai, Queen’s University
*Settling or Unsettling and Conflict Resolution: A Comparative Perspective on the Israelis Settlers in a Final Peace Agreement*

Ziv Rubinovitz, University of Haifa
*Was Menachem Begin’s Autonomy Plan Realistic?*

Cameron Brown, Institute for National Security Studies, INSS
*Israeli Annexation and the Territorial Integrity Norm*

W2D3  Annexation of Arab Lands

Chair: Jacob Tovy (jtovy@research.haifa.ac.il), University of Haifa

Tamir Goren, Bar-Ilan University
*Annexation of Arab Territories to Tel Aviv and the Encirclement Claim*

Itamar Radai, Tel Aviv University and University of Haifa
*The Lost “Bride of the Sea”?: Palestinian Arab Jaffa, 1947–1948*

Discussant: Nahum Karlinsky, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
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W2MESH  Political Representation and Policy Making

Chair: Avi Bareli (abareli@bgu.ac.il), Ben-Gurion University of the Negev

Dvora Hacohen, Bar-Ilan University
Leadership, Ideology, and Politics: Immigration Policy

Anat Maor, The Open University of Israel
Israeli Legislators as Leaders

Israel Tal-Saranga, Bar-Ilan University
Media Framing of Generals’ Leadership in Liberal Democracies: The Case of Israel

Dana Markowitz-Elfassi, University of Haifa
Nature or Nurture? Grooming and Structural Beauty Components and their Role in Predicting Television Coverage of Israeli Political Leaders

W2BGI1  Israel Literacy: Construct and Measurement

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

Annette Koren, Brandeis University
Janet Krasner Aronson, Brandeis University
Israel Literacy: Designing a Measurement

Leonard Saxe, Brandeis University
Israel Literacy: What do Birthright Students Know before They go to Israel?

Rachel Fish, Brandeis University
Israel Literacy: Creating a Construct
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Roundtable on Joel S. Migdal's book *Shifting Sands: The United States in the Middle East*

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Dov Waxman, The City University of New York (CUNY)  
Joel S. Migdal, University of Washington

W2BGI4  
Arab and Palestinian Politics and Social Structures

Chair: Yakub Halabi (yakub.halabi@concordia.ca), Concordia University

Jerzy Wojcik, Jagiellonian University in Krakow  
*Camp David 2000 – Arafat’s Inability or Impossibility in a Decision-making Process*

Haim Iserovich, Bar-Ilan University  
*Between Zurich and Beirut: The Israeli Decision Makers and the Threat of Terrorism*

Gideon Kressel, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev  
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Israeli Leadership – Pathways and Goals
George Evens Family Auditorium

Chair: Itamar Rabinovich,
President, Israel Institute

Dan Meridor, former MK and Minister
Dalia Dorner, former Justice of the Supreme Court
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