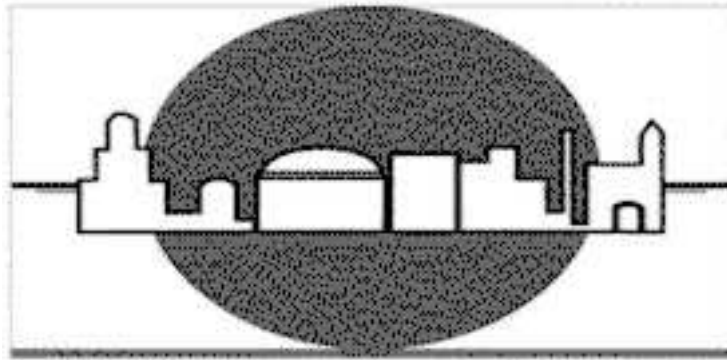


Association for Israel Studies



20th Annual Conference **“Israel: The Prospects for Reinvigoration”**

To be held at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem
June 14-16, 2004

**Important—All prospective
Attendees: [Click here](#)**

Conference Program

Monday, June 14th

7:30 a.m. - 8:30 p.m. Registration

8:30 - 10:15 a.m. PERIOD ONE

1. Economy and Society in Mandatory Palestine: History and Historiography

Organizer: Aviva Halamish, The Open University (avivaha@openu.ac.il)

Chair and Discussant: Ilan Troen, Ben-Gurion University

Jacob Metzer, The Hebrew University
Reflections on the Historiography of the Mandatory Economy

Aviva Halamish, The Open University
Jewish Immigration to Mandatory Palestine Revisited

Sylvie Fogiel-Bijaoui, College of Management and Beit Berl Academic College
Gender, Nation and Social Change: Jewish Women in Palestine, 1917-1948

Adel Manna, The Institute for Israeli Arab Studies at the Van Leer Jerusalem Institute
Cleavages in the Arab-Palestinian Society under National Unity Coverage

2. Research Issues in Israeli Foreign Policy: The Constructivist Perspective

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

Ilan Peleg, Lafayette College
A Constructivist Interpretation of Israeli Foreign policy under right-wing governments

Dov Waxman, Bowdoin College
Back From the Brink, Towards the Abyss: The Impact of the Al-Aksa Intifada on Israel's Foreign Policy Debate

Jonathan Rynhold, Bar-Ilan University
Constructing the Fence and Deconstructing Disengagement: Identity, Norms and Security in Israel

Jonathan Mendilow, Rider University
Embedded Institutions and Political Reality: Israel's Foreign relations Post-2003

Discussant: Dov Waxman, Bowdoin College

3. New Perspectives on Modern Israeli Society: Panel organized by the Levi Eshkol Institute for Social, Economic, and Political Research in Israel

Organizer and Chair: Gadi Wolfsfeld, The Hebrew University (msgadi@huji.ac.il)

Tammar B. Zilber, The Hebrew University,
Between the Silicon Valley and the Silicon Wadi: Hi-Tech and Israeliness at the Millennium

Tamir Sheafer and Gidi Rahat, The Hebrew University,
Personalization in the Press and Politics in Israel, 1948-2003

Esther Cohen, The Hebrew University,
The Play Patterns of Young Israeli Children exposed to terrorist Acts and Coping

Gadi Wolfsfeld, The Hebrew University,
Constructing Ethnocentric News of War: Journalistic Mechanisms for Covering Grief and Dissonance on Israeli and Palestinian Television during the Second Intifada

4. Religion, Law and the state: A Comparative Perspective

Organizer: Patricia Woods, Harvard University and University of Florida
(pjwoods@fas.harvard.edu)

Chair: Lauren Basson, Ben Gurion University

Yuksel Sezgin, University of Washington
Personal Status Law, Family, and Citizenship in Israel and India

Irina Masyukova, Russian Academy of Sciences
The Problems of Jewish Identity of Russian Immigrants in Israel

David Bartram, University of Reading
Expanding Notions of Welfare: Social Policy and Cultural Forms in Israel and France

Batya Roded, Ben Gurion University
Religion, Nationalism and Space: Comparing Sri-Lanka and Israel

10:15 - 10:30 a.m. Break

10:30 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. PERIOD TWO

1. Children's rights and democracy

Organizer and chair: Orit Ichilov, Tel Aviv University - chaired the sub-committee on education in the committee for implementing the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child in Israeli legislation
(ichilov@post.tau.ac.il)

Yehudit Karp, former deputy to the Attorney General
The UN Convention on the Rights of the Child: Principles and Guidelines

Saviona Rotlevy, Judge, Tel-Aviv district court, head of a committee appointed to implement the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child in Israeli Legislation
Children's rights: A Novel Concept of Childhood

Liora Bilsky, Tel-Aviv University
Rights between Childhood and Adulthood: The test Case of Anorexia

Itzhak Kadman, Executive Director, Israel National Counsel for the Child
The State of Children Rights in Israel

2. The Social Construction of the Israeli Nation

Organizer and chair: Lev Grinberg, Ben Gurion University
(lev@bgumail.bgu.ac.il)

Hagit Damri, Ben Gurion University
The plow, the gun, and the 'hurban' – Reading the Literary Texts of the 'First Aliya'

Meirav Riklin Shapira, Ben Gurion University
Citizenship in the Shade of Memory – The Israeli Palestinians, Rabin's Assassination and the Israeli Discourse

Ruth Tsoffar, University of Michigan
Legitimacy and Legitimization – Exploring the Limits of Israeli Public Discourse

Lev Grinberg, Ben Gurion University
The Matrix: Class Conflict and Nation-Building in the Making of Israeli Domination of Palestine

3. Mass Communication: Between Renovation and Degeneration

Organizer and Chair: Oren Soffer, The Hebrew University and The Open University (soffero@zahav.net.il)

Oren Soffer, The Hebrew University and The Open University

Paper Territory - Early Hebrew Journalism and its National Roles

Motti Neiger, Netanya Academic College

The Death of the Editor? - The Rise of the New Mediators of Culture

Yaron Ezrahi, The Hebrew University

Competition and Control in the Israeli Media - Political, Legal and Economic Aspects

Tamar Liebes, The Hebrew University

The Construction of the Audience by Political Talk Shows

4. Topics in the History of Israeli Foreign Policy

Chair: P.R. Kumaraswamy, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi

(kumaraswamy_p_r@hotmail.com)

Moshe Gat, Bar Ilan University

The Great Powers and the Water Dispute in the Middle East: A Prelude to the Six Day War

Isabella Ginor, The Hebrew University

Russia, the Six Day War and its Aftermath

Miriam Joyce, Purdue University-Calumet

King Hussein and Israel Immediately After the Six Day War: an Anglo-American Perspective

Michael M. Laskier, Bar Ilan University

Israel, France and Algeria at the Height of the Arab-Israeli Conflict: 1956-1970

Hillel Frisch, Bar Ilan University

Do National Minorities have a Foreign Policy? Israel's Arab Citizens as a Case Study

Discussant: Robert O. Freedman, Baltimore Hebrew University

5. Critical Issues in Israeli Society: Ethnicity

Organizer: Alan Dowty, University of Notre Dame and The University of Calgary (dowty.1@nd.edu)

Chair: Asher Arian, Haifa University and City University of New York

(arian@idi.org.il)

Alan Dowty, University of Notre Dame and The University of Calgary

A Question That Outweighs All Others: Israel and the Palestinians in Broad Perspective

Asher Arian, Haifa University and City University of New York
Public Opinion and the Peace Process

Majid Al-Haj, Haifa University
Social Change and Identity Patterns among the Palestinians in Israel: A Double Periphery in an Ethno-National State

Derek Penslar, University of Toronto
Normalization and Its Discontents: Israel as a Diaspora Jewish Community

12:15 - 2:00 p.m.

Lunch

2:00 - 3:45 p.m.

PERIOD THREE

1. Science and Technology in Israel: Policy, Society and Culture

Organizers: Rivka Feldhay, Tel Aviv University (feldhay@post.tau.ac.il);
Arie Krampf, Tel Aviv University (ariek@post.tau.ac.il)

Chair: Rivka Feldhay, Tel Aviv University

Nurit Kirsh, Tel Aviv University and The Hebrew University
Women Scientists in Israel – A Historical Outlook

Ari Barell, The Hebrew University
David Ben-Gurion's Science & Technology Policy 1935-1948

Arie Krampf, Tel Aviv University
From Ideology to Pragmatism – Experts' Ethos in Economic Policy-making

Nadav Davidovitch and Zalman Greenberg, Ben-Gurion University
Smallpox and Variolation in a Village in Palestine in December 1921: A Case Study of Public Health, Culture and Colonial Medicine

2. Media Texts and Contexts

Organizer and Chair: Tamar Katriel, Haifa University
(tamark@construct.haifa.ac.il)

Oren Meyers, Haifa University
That Certain Weekly: Attitudes of the Israeli Journalistic Mainstream towards
Haolam Hazeh, 1950-1965

Tania Forte, Ben Gurion University
Conceptualizing the future through the production of TV news from Jerusalem

Michele Rosenthal, Haifa University
Textual Poaching as Popular Religious Performance: The Case of Rabbi
Amnon Yitzhak

Tamar Katriel, Haifa University
Languages of emotion on Israeli Call-In Radio

3. Religion, Law and the State: An Historical Perspective

Chair: Chaim I. Waxman, Rutgers University (waxmanci@rci.rutgers.edu)

Moshe Berent, The Open University
Zionism and the Separation between Nationality and Religion

Yair Sagy, New York University
The Past and the Present of the High Court of Justice of Israel: A First Look at
the Establishment of the High Court of Justice

Yehiel Harari, Tel-Aviv University
Notions of Messianism and their influence on Israel prospects for peace and
prosperity.

Ruth Ebenstein, The Hebrew University
“Eichmann in Our Hands”: Shared and divergent experiences of the Eichmann
Trial in the Israeli Haredi press

4. Revisiting Israeli Foreign Relations: The Formative Era

Organizer and Chair: Alan Dowty, University of Notre Dame and The
University of Calgary (dowty.1@nd.edu)

David Tal, Tel Aviv University
The Historiography of the 1948 War in Palestine: the Missing Dimension

Uri Bialer, The Hebrew University
Religion and Foreign Policy: Israel and the Christian World – The Formative
Era

Avner Cohen, University of Maryland

Rethinking Israel's Nuclear History: The Formative Decisions

Arye Naor, Ben-Gurion University
Israel's Watershed Line: The Six-Day War Revisited

Uri Bar-Joseph, Haifa University
The Historiography of the Yom Kippur War: A Thirty-Year Perspective

5. Commemoration and Heroism: New Perspectives I

Organizer: Na'ama Sheffi, Sapir Academic College
(naamas11@netvision.net.il)

Chair and commentator: Myron J. Aronoff, Rutgers University

Eyal Zandberg, The Hebrew University
From Destruction to Victory - Holocaust meanings in Israeli press 1948-2000

Irit Dekel, The New School
The Confines of Memory in "The Valley of the Communities"

Micha Balf, Seminar HaKibbutzim
Holocaust Memory and Commemoration in the HaShomer HaTzair Kibbutz Movement

Bennett Simon, Harvard University
Reflections on Heroism

4:00 - 5:45 p.m. PERIOD FOUR

1. **Political Leadership**

Organizer and chair: Aran Schloss, The Inter-disciplinary Center,
Herzeliya (ashloss@bezeqint.net)

Yehezkel Dror, The Hebrew University
Redesigning Israeli Governance for Coping with the 21st Century

Micha Popper, Haifa University
Leaders As a Reflection of their Times

Yael Aronoff, Hamilton College
The Political Psychology of Israeli Leaders During the Oslo Period

Aran Schloss, The Inter-disciplinary Center, Herzeliya
Political Communication and Leadership: Models Revisited

Commentator: MK Dalia Rabin

2. Roundtable on Current Trends in Israeli Foreign Policy

Chair: Stephen Blank, US Army War College
(stephen.blank@carlisle.army.mil)

Eyal Zisser, Tel Aviv University
Israel and the Arab World

Efraim Inbar, Bar-Ilan University
Israel and India

George Gruen, Columbia University
Israel and Turkey

Stefanie Hoffman, The Hebrew University
Israel and Russia

Robert O. Freedman, Baltimore Hebrew University
Israel and the United States

David Goldberg, Canada-Israel Committee
Is a Two State Solution Still Viable?

3. The Politics of Large Numbers

Organizers: Anat Leibler, University of California, San Diego
(aleibler@ucsd.edu);
Tal Golan, Ben-Gurion University (talgolan@actcom.co.il)

Chair: Anat Leibler, University of California, San Diego

Yaakov Garb, The Hebrew University
The Emergence of 'Population' on Israel's Environmental Agenda,

Tal Golan, Ben Gurion University
Science and Mud: The Report of the Investigating Committee in The Kishon
Affair.

Anat Leibler, University of California, San Diego
Measuring the Israeli Economy and the Wealth of Its Two Nations

4. City and Society

Organizer and Chair: Vered Vinitzky-Seroussi, The Hebrew University
(msvini@mscc.huji.ac.il)

Anat Helman, The Hebrew University
Taking the Bus in Interwar Tel Aviv

Nir Gazit, The Hebrew University
I'm a Jerusalemite: Reading "kol Ha'ir" as Cultural practice

Ronnie Ellenblum, The Hebrew University
Spatial Interpretations of Identities in Jerusalem: A Polygon, a Line and a Point

Tali Chtuka, The Technion
Political Actions: The Decline of the Public Sphere in Jaffa and Tel Aviv

Alona Nitzan-Shiftan, The Technion
Designing the Western Wall Plaza: National and Architectural Controversies

5. Commemoration and Heroism: New Perspectives II

Organizer: Na'ama Sheffi, Sapir Academic College
(naamas11@netvision.net.il)

Chair and commentator Yael Zerubavel, Rutgers University
(yaelzeru@rci.rutgers.edu)

Na'ama Sheffi, Sapir Academic College
Heroism Culture: Israeli Children's Education

Michael Feige, Ben Gurion University
Changes in Israeli Memory in the Last Decade

Emanuela Trevisan-Semi, University of Venice
A New Israeli Civil Commemoration During *Yom Yerushalayim*: The Ritual of *Azkarah* for the Jews of Ethiopia

Michal Dekel and Sharon Dekel, Columbia University
Comparative Trauma: Israel and the U.S.

5:45 - 7:30 p.m. Dinner

Plenary: Assessment of the Oslo Peace Process: A Roundtable

8:00 - 10:00 p.m.

Moderator: Ofira Seliktar, Temple University (oseliktar@aol.com)

Ambassador Daniel Kurtzer, U.S. Embassy in Israel

General Shlomo Gazit, Jaffe Center

General Shlomo Brom, Jaffe Center

Dr. Martin Sherman, Tel Aviv University

Tuesday, June 15th

8:00 - 8:30 a.m. Registration

8:30 - 10:15 a.m. PERIOD ONE

1. High-tech industries and the new economy

Organizer and chair: Yifat Reuveni, McGill University (yifat.reuveni@mail.mcgill.ca)

Bernard Kahane Institut Supérieur de Technologie and Management
National Innovation Systems under a "Hub" Perspective: The Israeli Case

Baruch Shimoni, Yale University
Intercultural Relations in Management in Multinational Firms: The Case of North America, Asia and Israel

Yifat Reuveni, McGill University
Ideology and Practice in the New Economy: The "White-Collar" Workforce of the High Tech Industry in London (England), the U.S.A., Canada and Israel

2. The Israeli Welfare State

Organizer and chair: Johnny Gal, Hebrew University (msjgsw@mcc.huji.ac.il)

Sharon Asiskovitch, The Hebrew University
Another Veto Point? The Political Role of the Judicial Branch in the Israeli Welfare State, 1990-2002

Eran Tamir, Michigan State University
The Israeli Education System during the 1990s: The Relations between Policy of Expansion to the Development of Hierarchies among Institutional Sectors and Fields of Study

Einat Ida, Tel-Aviv University

Employee Dismissals by the Government – When it begun?

3. Intellectuals and nationalism

Organizer and chair: Yaacov Yadgar, Bar-Ilan University
(yadgary@mail.biu.ac.il)

Michael Keren, The University of Calgary
Israeli Intellectuals and Walter Benjamin's politics of Melancholy

Menachem Klein, Bar Ilan University
What Can Israeli intellectuals Learn From Edward Said?

Alek D. Epstein, The Open University
The Zionist Century as a Subject of Sociological Discourse in Israel, USA and Russia

Eric D. Saranovitz, New York University
History Up for Grabs? The Israeli Media and the Conflict Between Diverse Multi Culturalism and Homogenous Nationalism

4. New Approaches to the Study of the Role of the Military in Israel

Chair: Eyal Ben Ari, The Hebrew University (mseba@huji.ac.il)

Amiram Oren, Haifa University
Military and Territory in Israel: Land Uses of the Israeli Army from the War of Independence to the Sinai Campaign (1948-1956).

Avraham Sela, The Hebrew University
Civic vs. the Military: The Case of Israel's Security Zone in South Lebanon (1997-2000).

Oren Barak and Gabriel Sheffer, The Hebrew University
Towards a Conceptualization of Israel's Security Network.

Commentator: Eyal Ben-Ari

5. Gender and patterns of inequality

Chair: Michal Frenkel, Hebrew University

Hadas Mandel, Ben Gurion University; Michael Shalev, Hebrew University
Why the Gender Wage Gap Varies: Israel in Comparative Perspective

Aziza Khazzoom, University of California, Los Angeles

Are there women? The roles of gender and ethnicity in determining Polish and Iraqi women's experiences in the 1950s

Noa Lavie, Tel Aviv University

Tailoring economic Globalization: Textile industry and the gendering aspects of globalization in Israel

Orly Benjamin, Bar-Ilan University

Discursive and Practical Production of Women's Poverty: The Silencing of the Working Poor

Discussant: Michal Frenkel, Hebrew University

10:15 - 10:30 a.m. Break

10:30 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. PERIOD TWO

1. Portrayal of *Mizrahim* in the Israeli media: conflict, discourse and the politics of representation.

Organizer and Chair: Shoshana Madmoni-Gerber, Suffolk University
madmonigerber@yahoo.com

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Israeli Media and the articulation of internal conflict: The Yemenite babies Affair.

Raz Yosef, Tel Aviv University

Mirror Men: Imagining *Mizrahi* Gay Men in Israeli Media Culture

Eli Avraham, University of Haifa; Anat First, Netanya Academic College
Present but still absent?! The representation of *Mizrahim* in Primetime TV

2. Israeli-Palestinian civil, economic and environmental cooperation

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

Radka Havlova, Prague University

The role of NGO's in the Israeli-Palestinian conflict

Howard M. Wachtel, American University

International Water Markets

Stuart Schoenfeld, Glendon College, York University

Types of Environmental Narratives and their Utility for Understanding Israeli and Palestinian Environmentalism

Jeremy Benstein, The Hebrew University
Between Earth Day and Land Day: Palestinian and Jewish Environmentalisms in Israel

3. Military-society relations

Chair: Oren Barak The Hebrew University (msornb@mscc.huji.ac.il)

Pierre Atlas, Marian College
National Cohesion and Military Service: The Impact of Armed Forces Professionalization on Civil-Military Relations in the United States and Israel

Amir Bar-Or, Ben Gurion University
Recent Developments in Political-Military Relations in Israel

Tami Amanda Jacoby, University of Manitoba
Trespassing in the Trenches: The Implications of the Campaign for Women in Combat in Israel

Orlee Hauser, McGill University
Women Serving in the IDF

4. Attitudes of foreign governments and media toward Israel

Organiser and chair: David Mekelberg, University of Sussex
(Mekelberg@aol.com)

P R Kumaraswamy, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi
The Phalcon Controversy and Israeli foreign policy

David J. Bercuson & Barry Cooper, The University of Calgary
The Canadian Media and the Israel-Palestine Conflict: Myths and Realities

Lila F. Hueber, Institute of Conflict Analysis and Resolution, Fairfax, VA
What Factors Inform Frames in Mainstream Western News Media Reports on Israel?

Alain Dieckhoff, Centre d'Etudes et de Recherches Internationales, Paris
A European Policy Towards the Palestinian-Israeli Conflict: What For?

David Mekelberg, University of Sussex
Why Israel Fails in its Propaganda? Local Politics versus Global Messages

5. The Language of conflict in the Middle East

Chair and discussant: Yael Aronoff, Hamilton College
(aronoff@hamilton.edu)

Arie Kacowicz, The Hebrew University
Rashomon in the Middle East: Clashing Narratives of the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict

Karine Hamilton, Curtin University of Technology
Moral Conflicts: Making and Contesting Interpretations of *Sabra* and *Shatila*

Piki Ish-Shalom, The Hebrew University
The use and abuse of “democratic peace” in the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict

Ben Herzog, Yale University
Zionist Humanitarianism: The Glocal Discourse on Refugees in Israel

12:15 - 2:00 p.m. Lunch

2:00 - 3:45 p.m. PERIOD THREE

1. Citizenship, Identity and Democracy Among Palestinian/Arab Citizens of Israel

Organizer and Chair: Lauren Basson, Ben-Gurion University
(lbasson@bgumail.bgu.ac.il)

Aref Abu-Rabia, Ben Gurion University
Bedouin Towns: Tribalism, Conflict and Violence.

Taghreed Yehya, Tel Aviv University
Back Stage: Arab-Palestinian Women In Local Politics in Israel

Maha El-Taji, University of Washington
Arab Local Councils in Israel: Democracy and the *Hamula*

Lauren Basson, Ben Gurion University
Citizens in an Ambiguous State: Negev Bedouin and the Boundaries of Israeli Citizenship

2. Global Culture, Local Culture

Chair: Sara Beth Wallace, Georgetown University (sbw7@georgetown.edu)

Nicholas John, The Hebrew University
The Internet as a Cultural Aspect of Globalization in Israel

Shuki Mairovich, The Hebrew University
Global Urbanism, Cultural Marginality and the Establishment of Global Cultural Products

Aaron Bernay, Harvard University
Ten Li HaTikvah: Hip-Hop Music and Political Protest in Israel

Martin J. Wein, Ben Gurion University
The small “great exception”: the role of the Czechs in Israeli collective memory

3. Academic contributions to Civic Education: The Israeli experience in Comparative Context.

Gilo Center Panel

Organizer: Dan Avnon (davnon@netvision.net.il)

4. Culture Wars and Negotiations

Chair: Shahar Pinsker, The University of Michigan (spinsker@umich.edu)

Shahar Pinsker, The University of Michigan
To Write in a Silent Language? Yiddish as a Double Cultural Agent in Israeli Literature and Culture.

Rachel S Harris, St Peter's College, Oxford
Cultural negotiations between poet and audience: The Case of Haim Gouri's 'Hanishka'him'

Yuval Ivry, The Hebrew University
The Arab-Jewish identity through Shimon Balas's The Other One.

Orit Rozin, Haifa University and Tel Aviv University
The complex relationship between David Ben Gurion and *Ha'aretz* daily newspaper during the 1950s and 1960s

5. Shaping the Future of Israeli Society – Panel organized by the Israel Democracy Institute (IDI)

Organizer and Chair: Uri Dromi, IDI

Yedidya Stern, IDI and Bar-Ilan University
State, Law and the Halacha

Aviezer Ravitzky, IDI and The Hebrew University
Jewish Studies as Israel Studies

Mordechai Kremnitzer, IDI and The Hebrew University
Constitution for Israel: Is it a Viable Goal?

Dan Meridor, IDI and Former Minister of Justice
Israeli Democracy and the battle against Terrorism

3:45 - 4:00 p.m. Break

4:00 - 5:45 p.m. PERIOD FOUR

Plenary: The Higher Education Revolution in Israel

Organizer: Aviva Halamish, The Open University (avivaha@openu.ac.il)

Chair: Michael Keren, The University of Calgary

Participants:

Law, Former Minister of Education, Amnon Rubinstein, Dean, Radzyner School of
Education

Ben-Shakhar, President, The Open University of Israel Gershon

Planning and Budgeting, Goren, Tel-Hai Academic College, Member of the Haim

Education Budgeting Committee of the Council for Higher

Director, The Center for Research in Higher Education, ,Finger Nachum

the Negev Ben-Gurion University of

Shosh Arad, President, Ruppin Academic Center

President, Netanya Academic College ,Zvi Arad

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7:00 p.m. Democracy Institute banquet

Wednesday, June 16th

8:30 - 10:15 a.m. PERIOD ONE

1. Land, Law, and Israel's Palestinians

Organizer and chair: Geremy Forman, Haifa University

Alexandre (Sandy) Kedar, University of Haifa
From Arab Land to "Israel Lands": The Legal Dispossession of the
Palestinians Displaced by Israel in the Wake of 1948

Geremy Forman, Haifa University (geremy@maaganm.co.il)
The State as a Unique "Repeat Player" in the Special Operation of Land
Settlement in the North (1954-1967)

Yifat Holtzman-Gazit, Bar-Ilan University
The Land (Expropriation for Public Purposes) Ordinance and the Arab
Citizens of Israel: An Historical Review 1948-2003

Yosef Jabareen, Massachusetts Institute of Technology
Israeli Planning Law and Palestinian Exclusion in Israel

Discussant: Ronen Shamir, Tel Aviv University

2. Labor Migration

Chair: Ze'ev Rosenhek, Hebrew University (Zeev_Rosenhek@brown.edu)

Gal Levy, The Open Univeristy
Labor Migrants' Education – Reshaping of the Israeli Ethnospace?

Alejandro Paz, University of Chicago
Narrating Themselves into the Nation: The Transculturation of Zionist
Narratives by Latin American Undocumented Immigrants in Israel

Sarah Willen, Emory University
'A Tunnel of Nowhere to Go': Toward a Critical Phenomenology of
'Illegality' among Undocumented Domestic Workers in Tel-Aviv

3. Constructing Identity in Israel's Art Discourse

Organizer and chair: Dalia Manor, SOAS, University of London
(dm23@soas.ac.uk)

Alec Mishory, The Open University
The 1948 'Dizengoff Prize': A Joint Adventure for the acquiring of Art Works for the Tel Aviv Museum.

Judit Kriwisky, The Hebrew University
New Horizons – to be Reached from Here or from There?

Batya Brutin, The Hebrew University and Beit Berl College
The Inheritance: Responses to the Holocaust by "Second Generation" Israeli artists

Miri Gal-Ezer, The Hebrew University
Who Is The "other"? The Israeli Artist Between Competing Narratives.

4. Literature and Culture I: Gender, Femininity and Israeli women writers and artists

Chair: Avraham Balaban, University of Florida

Avraham Balaban, University of Florida
A Gender Reading of Agnon's Another Face.

Smadar Shiffman, Tel Aviv University
The Gordian Knot: Mother-Daughter relations in young Israeli women writers.

Rina Dudai, The Kibbutzim College
The Trauma of the Holocaust in Zipi Reinbenbach Documentary Film: Choice and Destiny.

Discussant: Nancy E. Berg, Washington University in St. Louis

5. Meet the Author

Chair: Patricia Woods, Harvard University and University of Florida
(pjwoods@fas.harvard.edu)

Gad Barzilai, *Communities and Law: Politics and Cultures of Legal Identities*

Discussants: Joel Migdal, University of Washington
Pnina Lahav, Boston University

10:15 - 10:30 a.m. Break

10:30 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. PERIOD TWO

1. Israeli Space: In-between Indigenous groups and Settler Immigrants

Organizers: Haim Yacobi, Ben-Gurion University (yappan@zahav.net.il)

Erez Tzfadia, Ben-Gurion University (tzfadia@bgumail.bgu.ac.il)

Alexandre (Sandy) Kedar, Haifa University
The law of the land: Bedouins and Jews in the Negev

Tovi Fenster, Tel Aviv University
Memory, Belonging and Spatial Planning in Israel: Conflicts and Prospects

Merav Aharon-Gutman, Tel Aviv University
"Separately Together": Living the Modern National City

Erez Tzfadia and Haim Yacobi, Ben Gurion University
Making Territorial Identity: Nationality and Spatiality among Immigrants in Lod

Discussant: Oren Yiftachel, Ben Gurion University

2. Liberalization and the changing relations between the state and markets

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Organizer and chair: Daniel Maman, Ben Gurion University
(dmaman@bgumail.bgu.ac.il)

Guy Mundlack, Tel Aviv University
Nationalized Privatization of the Labor Market in Israel: A (Non-) Surprising Contradiction

Liat Barshisat, The Hebrew University
Regime Change and the Structure of Relationships between Big Business Firms in Israel

Rivka Rajjman, Haifa University
Between states and markets: Labor Migration Policy in Israel

Alvise Vianello, University of Venice
Water Management Related policy Paradigms in Israel

Discussant: Michael Shalev, The Hebrew University

3. Israeli-Diaspora Relations (co-sponsored by the Willstein Institute).

Chair: Dr. Robert O. Freedman, Baltimore Hebrew University
(rofreedman@comcast.net)

Ian Lustick, University of Pennsylvania
Political Violence, Emigration from Israel, and the Peace Process

Ofira Seliktar, Gratz College
Christian Fundamentalists in the US and the State of Israel

Mark Rosenblum, Queens College
American Jewish Peace Groups and the State of Israel

Eyal Bor, Baltimore Hebrew University
The Pollard Affair as a factor in Israel-Diaspora Relations

Danny Ben-Moshe, Victoria University,
The New Anti-Semitism and Policy Implications for Israel and The Diaspora.

Discussant: David Gordis, Boston Hebrew College

4. New Approaches to the Study of Mizrahi Women

Chair and discussant: Pnina Peri, Levinsky Teachers' College and Sapir Academic College, pperi@012.net.il

Pnina Motzafi-Haller, Ben Gurion University
Towards ethnography of narration: interpreting historical narratives of *Mizrahi* women immigrants to Israel

Beverly Mizrahi, Ashkelon Academic College
Non-mainstream education, limited mobility and an immigrant woman: The case of kindergarten teacher's assistant

Galit Saada-Ophir, The Hebrew University
Mizrahi women in popular music

5. . Meet the Author

Chair: Nahum Karlinsky, Ben Gurion University (nahumk@bgumail.bgu.ac.il)

Ilan Troen, *Imagining Zion: Dreams, Designs and Realities in a Century of Jewish Settlement.*

Discussants:

Alan Dowty
Russell Stone

12:15 - 2:00 p.m. Lunch and AIS Business Meeting

2:00 - 3:45 p.m. PERIOD THREE

1. Globalization and Israeli Society

Organizer and chair: Uri Ram, Ben Gurion University
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Shlomo Swirski, Adva Center
The Split-Track Mode of Israeli Development in the Age of Globalization

Dani Filk, Ben Gurion University
Post-Populism: Neo-Liberalism, Globalization and the Political Sphere

Gili Baruch, Ben Gurion University
“The Bubble”: The Spatial Culture of the Israeli Information Class

Uri Ram, Ben Gurion University
The Globalization Paradigm in Israel Studies

2. Critical Issues in Israeli Society: Trends in the Public Sphere

Organizer: Alan Dowty University of Notre Dame and The University of
Calgary (dowty.1@nd.edu)

Chair: Ira Sharkansky, Hebrew University (msira.msc.huji.ac.il)

Menachem Hofnung, The Hebrew University
Corruption, Political Finance and the Rule of Law

Gad Barzilai, Tel Aviv University
How Far Do Justices Go: The Limits of Judicial Decisions

Zvi Gitelman, The University of Michigan
The ‘Russian Revolution’ in Israel

Ira Sharkansky, The Hebrew University
A Critical Look at Israel’s Economic and Social Gaps

3. Class, ethnicity and Political Leadership

Chair: Frank Tachau, University of Illinois - Chicago (ftachau@uic.edu)

Shaul Shenhav, The Hebrew University
As a Worthless Flock, With no Shepherd: Bechor Shalom Shitrit's Conception of Political Representation in Cabinet Discussions of the Refugee Issue and the Education Crisis in the Immigrant Transit Camps

Ester Meir, Ben Gurion University
Communists and Zionists as Leaders of Jewish Immigrants from Iraq

Dror Osnat, Ben-Gurion University
"We are Moroccans because of the strikes": class and ethnicity in Israel – the case of Ashdod port workers.

Yitzhak Kerem, Aristotle University
The Continuing Alienation of Sephardi/*Mizrahi* Culture in Israel

4. Literature and Culture II: The Yishuv and the Foundations of the Zionist Self

Organizer and chair: Rachel Brenner, University of Wisconsin
(brenner@wisc.edu)

Gilead Morahg, University of Wisconsin-Madison
The Literary Quest for National Revival: From Hazaz's "The Sermon" (1942) to Yehoshua's Mr. Mani (1990).

Michal Ben-Horin, Tel Aviv University and The Hebrew University
Musical Discourse and History in the Narration of Nathan Shaham and Yehoshua Kenaz.

Chanita Goodblatt, Ben Gurion University
Uri Zvi Greenberg and Zionist rhetoric of the 1920s.

Hadar Makov, New York University
Unwriting Home: On the Collapse of the Private and National Home in Amos Oz' A Tale of Love and Darkness.

3:45 - 4:00 p.m.

Break

4:00 - 5:45 p.m.

PERIOD FOUR

1. Parties and Elections in Israel

Chair: Hani Zubida, New York University (zh211@nyu.edu)

Hani Zubida, New York University
Split Voting in the Israeli National Election

Shlomit Barnea, The Hebrew University
Reforming Candidate Selection Methods in Israel: A Multi-Level Approach

Ofer Kenig, The Hebrew University
Democratizing Party Leaders' Selection Methods in Israel

Amalia Fried Honick, Goucher College
The Shinui Factor in Israeli Politics: Harbinger of the Future?

2. Jews and Palestinians: Attitudes, memories and national identity

Chair and discussant: Russell Stone, American University
(rstone@american.edu)

Walid Shomaly the Palestinian Center for Research and Cultural Dialogue (PCRD),
Bethlehem
Fluctuations of Palestinian Public Opinion in response to Israeli measures,

Yael Warshel, University of California, San Diego
Jewish-Israeli Childhood Construction of Arab and Palestinian National Identity

Halleli Pinson, University of Cambridge
From collectivistic to individualistic identity and back: Jewish and Palestinian Israeli youth discuss their identities

Daphne Tsimhoni, Haifa University
Christian-Muslim-Jewish relations and the Shihab al-Din mosque affair in Nazareth.

3. Immigration and Orientalism: The Case of Russian-Jewish Immigrants in Israel

Organizers and Chairs: Edna Lomsky-Feder and Tamar Rapoport, The Hebrew University

Erez Tzfadia, Ben-Gurion University
'Russian' Territorial Identity in 'Mixed' City and Development Town

Edna Lomsky-Feder and Tamar Rapoport, The Hebrew University

Orientalism Revised: Russian-Jewish Immigrants Construe *Mizrachim* and *Mizrachiut*

Chen Bram, The Hebrew University
Between and Beyond Categories: Caucasian Mountain Jews and Understanding of
Identities in Israel

Discussant: Aziza Kazzoom, University of California, Los Angeles

4. Meet the author

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

Rachel Brenner, *Inextricably Bonded: Israeli Arab and Jewish Writers Re-visioning Culture*.

Discussants:

Sasson Somekh, Tel Aviv University

Moshe Zuckermann, Tel Aviv University

5. Teaching Citizenship in Israeli Schools: Special Gilo Center Roundtable (in Hebrew).

Organizer: Dan Avnon (danavnon@netvision.net.il)