

Association for Israel Studies

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June 11-13, 2007

The Open University of Israel

Program

General Theme:

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

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Sunday, June 10, 2007

19:00 - AIS Board Dinner and Meeting - **Hotel Hasharon, Herzliya**

Monday, June 11, 2007

08:30-16:00 - Conference Registration Desk Open

09:15-18:00 - **Multicultural Israel: Cinematic Portrait**, Continuous screening of Israeli Movies (See details at the end of program) - **Moshe Neuderfer Auditorium**

9:15-11:00 - Panel Session 1

1.1 Israel Between Al-Aqsa Intifada and Lebanon - Kanbar Hall

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

Tamir Libel, Bar-Ilan University

Crossing the Lebanese Swamp: Doctrinal and Structural Adaptation of the IDF to Counterinsurgency Warfare and its Implication for Al-Aqsa Intifada

Eytan Gilboa, Bar-Ilan University and the University of Southern California

Israel's Image and Reputation in the World

Yoram Peri, Tel-Aviv University

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

Ian Lustick, University of Pennsylvania

Israel and Ha-Botz Ha-Mizrach Tichoni

1.2 Gendered Perspectives on Israeli-Palestinian Relations - Room 7

Chair: **Esther Fuchs**, University of Arizona (fuchs@email.arizona.edu)

Russell Stone, American University

Gender in Palestine Election, January 25, 2006

Sarai Aharoni, Bar-Ilan University

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

Limore Racin, University College London

Porcupine Kisses: Women in Israeli Jewish and Arab Couples

1.3 Immigration and Education - Room 8

Chair: **Eli Shitreet**, Bar-Ilan University (shitrie@popeye.os.biu.ac.il)

Yael Katzir, Levinsky College of Education, **Yael Sha'ibi**, Levinsky College of Education

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

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

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

Assaf Meshulam, University of Wisconsin-Madison

State, Counter-Hegemonic Struggle and Education in Israel

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

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

1.4 Jewish Diaspora and Israeli War for Survival - Room 12

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

Amnon Cavari, University of Wisconsin-Madison, **Joshua M. Cowen**, University of Wisconsin-Madison

Mediating Public Attitudes of Foreign Policy Through the Israeli Prism

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

For Love of Zion?: Reassessing the Motivations for Supporting Israel Among Diaspora Jews and Former Israelis

Shmuel Sandler, Bar-Ilan University

Is There a Jewish Foreign Policy?

Natan Aridan, Ben-Gurion University

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

1.5 Multiculturalism and Eruptive/Disruptive Voices - Room 104

Chair: **TBA**

Eran Tzelgov, New York University

The Poetry of the Other in a State of Multiculturalism

Hanita Brand, Bar-Ilan University

Literature and Co-Existence in the Middle East

Miri Kubovy, Harvard University

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

1.6 **Israel Foreign Policy in Historical Perspective - Room 105**

Chair: **Uri Bialer**, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem (msbialer@mscc.huji.ac.il)

Uri Bialer, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

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

Eli Podeh, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

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

Zaki Shalom, Ben-Gurion University

Could the Yom Kippur War Have Been Averted?

Raymond Cohen, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

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

1.7 **Ben Kodesh Lehol: On National Revival and Language in Zionism - Room 206**

Chair: **Hannah Naveh**, Tel-Aviv University (hannahna@post.ac.il)

Revital Amiran Sapir, University of Haifa

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

Eyal Chowers, Tel-Aviv University

Democratic Language: Reflections on Chaim Nachman Bialik

Annabel Herzog, University of Haifa

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

11:00-11:30 - Coffee Break

11:30-13:15 - Panel Session 2

2.1 Arab-Israeli Conflict: A Solution? - **Kanbar Hall**

Chair: **Mustafa Kabha**, The Open University of Israel (mustafa@openu.ac.il)

Massoud Eghbarieh, Beit Berl College

Track II Diplomacy: Application to the Arab Palestinian-Israeli Conflict

Lauri Zittrain Eisenberg, Carnegie Mellon University

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

Uri Petrushevsky, Bar-Ilan University

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

Ilana Kaufman, The Open University of Israel.

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

2.2 Identity Construction among Israeli Higher Education Students - **Room 7**

Chair: **Galit Saada-Ophir**, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

(glit-mo@zahav.net.il)

Svetlana Chachashvili-Bolotin, Tel-Aviv University, **Yossi Shavit**, Tel-Aviv University, **Hanna Ayalon**, Tel-Aviv University

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

Moti Gigi, Tel-Aviv University

Center-Periphery Relationship in Sapir Academic College

Sarab Abu-Rabia-Queder, Ben-Gurion University and The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

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

Galit Saada-Ophir, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

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

2.3 Holocaust and Israel - Room 8

Chair: **David Engel**, New York University (de2@nyu.edu)

Roni Stauber, Tel-Aviv University

Memory and Diplomacy: Israel's Diplomats in West Germany and the
Confrontation with the Nazi Past

Amir Peleg, Ben-Gurion University

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

Idit Gil, The Open University of Israel

The Holocaust: A Historiography of Israeli Collective Memory

2.4 Labor Migration [I] - Room 12

Chair: **Adriana Kemp**, Tel-Aviv University (akemp@post.tau.ac.il)

Sarah S. Willen, Harvard University

Imagining Different Israels: The Divergent Voices of Israeli Migrant Aid
Activists in Tel-Aviv

Sonia Bloomfield, Montgomery College

The Presence of Brazilian Evangelical Churches in Israel

Roby Nathanson, Macro - The Center for Political Economics

Migrant Workers in Israel: Local and Global Implications

2.5 Images of the Melting Pot - Room 104

Chair: **Hannah Naveh**, Tel-Aviv University (hannahna@post.tau.ac.il)

Inbal Ben-Asher Gitler, Sapir Academic College and Tel-Aviv University

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

Doli Benhaviv, The Open University of Israel

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

Smadar Shiffman, Tel-Aviv University

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

2.6 Immigration to Israel from Muslim Countries [I] - Room 105

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

Reuben Ahroni, Ohio State University

Post-Operation 'On Eagles Wings': The Attitude of the Yemenite Jewish
Remnants Towards Emigration to Israel

Esther Meir-Glizenstein, Ben-Gurion University

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

Rachel Simon, Princeton University

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

Nitza Druyan, Hofstra University and the Long Island Center for Jewish Studies

The Yemenites: Zionist Dreams Realized and Abandoned

2.7 Gender, Ethnicity and Identity on Screen - Room 206

Chair: **Esther Fuchs**, University of Arizona (fuchs@email.arizona.edu)

Olga Gershenson, University of Massachusetts, Amherst

Absorbed By Love: Gender and Nation on the Israeli Screen

Dorit Naaman, Queen's University

Unruly Daughters to Mother Nation: Palestinian and Israeli Autobiographical
Films

Caryn Aviv, University of Denver

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

2.8 When Nationalist States Confront Gendered Societies - Guest Center

Chair and Discussant: **Henriette Dahan-Kalev**, Ben-Gurion University
(henms@bgu.ac.il)

Caren Belge, University of Washington

Honor Killing and State-Family Relations in Turkey and Israel

Lauren Basson, Ben-Gurion University

Israeli Blind Spots: How Nationalism Engenders Its Own Contradictions

13:15-14:30 - Lunch Break

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

14:30-16:15 - Panel Session 3

**3.1 Between Eurasia and the Middle East: Russian-Speaking Immigrants'
Electoral Behavior in Israel - Kanbar Hall**

Chair and Discussant: **Robert O. Freedman**, The Baltimore Hebrew University and
Johns Hopkins University (roffreedman@comcast.net)

Ze'ev Khanin, Bar-Ilan University and The Interdisciplinary Center

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

Alek Epstein, The Open University of Israel

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

Marina Shorer-Zeltser, Institute of Identity Research (IDmap)

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

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

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

3.2 Israeli Security Dilemmas - Room 7

Chair: **Shaul Gabbay**, University of Denver (sgabbay@du.edu)

Eitan Barak, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Under the Shadow of a Nuclear Iran: Israel's Arms Control Policy and the
Prospects of Arms Control Regime in the Middle East

Walid Shomaly, Palestine Center for Research and Cultural Dialogue

Threats to the State of Israel

Dylan Hanley, University of Calgary

Israel's Non-Proliferation Diplomacy: The Challenges that Come With
Exceptional Status

3.3 Gender, Nation, Politics - Room 8

Chair: **Yael Feldman**, New York University (yf1@nyu.edu)

Esther Fuchs, University of Arizona

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

Tsila Ratner, University of London

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

Hadar Makov-Hasson, New York University

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

Tal Ben-Zvi, Tel-Aviv University

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

3.4 Arab-Israeli Conflict: Visions and Divisions - Room 12

Chair: **Gal Levy**, The Open University of Israel (galle@openu.ac.il)

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

New Battle of Algiers - Israel-Arab Conflict

Dilon L. Hoiser, California State University

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

Uriel Abulof, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

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

3.5 Historical and Social Perspectives on Health and Zionism - Room 104

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

Raphael Falk, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Eugenics and Zionism in Palestine

Rakefet Zalashik, New York University

The Psychiatric Refugees' Community in Palestine, 1933-1945

Nadav Davidovitch, Ben-Gurion University

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

Snait Gisis, Tel-Aviv University

When is "Race" a Race?

3.6 Immigration to Israel from Muslim Countries [II] - Room 105

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

(bater@openu.ac.il)

Haim Saadon, The Open University of Israel

Underground Activity and Illegal Immigration from Muslim Countries

Michael M. Laskier, Bar-Ilan University

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

Yaron Tsur, Tel-Aviv University

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

3.7 Architecture and Language in the Building of a New Society - Room 206

Chair: **Anat Helman**, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem (helman@mscc.huji.ac.il)

Edina Meyer-Maril, Tel-Aviv University

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

Yael Reshef, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, **Anat Helman**, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

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

Diana Dolev, Unaffiliated Scholar

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

16:15-16:30 - Coffee Break

16:30-18:15 - Panel Session 4

4.1 Israel Studies: Past and Future - Round Table - **Kanbar Hall**

Cahir: **David Nachmias**, Interdisciplinary Center (davidna@idc.ac.il)

Dan Ben-David, Tel-Aviv University

Mitchell Bard, America-Israel Cooperative Enterprise

Russell Stone, American University

Ilan Troen, Ben-Gurion University and Brandeis University

4.2 **Dispelling Myths and Adding Dimensions: Understanding the Complex of US-Israel Relations - Room 7**

Chair and Discusant: **Bryan Daves**, Yeshiva University (daves@yu.edu)

Yossi Shain, Georgetown University and Tel-Aviv University

Who Speaks for the Jews and with What Authority?

Reeva Simon, Yeshiva University

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

Bryan Daves, Yeshiva University

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

Jonathan Rynhold, Bar-Ilan University

US-Israel Relations and the Peace Process

4.3 **Sacred and Profane Bodies - Room 8**

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

Yael Feldman, New York University

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

Yael Dekel, New York University

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

Batya Brutin, Beit Berl College

Women's Representations in Israeli Holocaust Monuments

Nitsa Kann, Dickinson College

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

4.4 Labor Migration [II] - Room 12

Chair: **Rivka Rajjman**, University of Haifa (rajjman@soc.haifa.ac.il)

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

The Deportation of Migrant Workers from Israel: Assessing the Singularity,
Success and Sustainability of a Contentious Policy

Oded Korczyn, Stanford University

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

Ofer Sitbon, Tel-Aviv University

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

4.5 Immigration in the Pre-State Era - Room 104

(Co-sponsored by Keren Kayemeth LeIsrael)

Chair: **Bat-Sheva Margalit-Stern**, The Open University of Israel and Schechter
Institute of Jewish Studies (batsst@openu.ac.il)

Eyal Katvan, Bar-Ilan University

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

Yael Dinowitz, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

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

Yael Epstein, Ben-Gurion University

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

4.6 Second Generation Immigrants in Israel and Beyond - Room 105

Chair: **Larissa Remennick**, Bar-Ilan University (remenl@mail.biu.ac.il)

Larissa Remennick, Bar-Ilan University

Introduction: The Second Immigrant Generation Between Home and Host
Cultures

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

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

Aviva Zeltzer-Zubida, Ruppin Academic Center

The Integration of Second Generation Immigrants in New York

Karin Amit, Ruppin Academic Center

Socio-Economic Assimilation of Second Generation Immigrants in Israel

Graciela Spector-Bitan, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

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

4.7 **Community Politics and Networks - Room 206**

Chair and discussant: **Yossi Dahan**, Ramat Gan College of Law

(yossida@openu.ac.il)

Ofir Abu, Brandeis University

The Mizrahi Democratic Rainbow Coalition: Between Discourse and Practice

Uri Cohen, Tel-Aviv University, **Shachar Nativ**, Tel-Aviv University and Oxford University

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

Lee Cahaner, University of Haifa

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

4.8 **Mainstreaming Popular Culture - Guest Center**

Chair and discussant: **Ron Weidberg**, The Open University of Israel

(ronwe@openu.ac.il)

Dalia Gavrieli-Nuri, Bar-Ilan University

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

Ronit Seter, Johns Hopkins University and George Washington University

Give Us Typical Israeli Music: Multiple National Identities Expressing Israelism

Steve Fraiberg, University of Illinois

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

Rachel Harris, State University of New York, Albany

Existentialism *al ha-autobus*: Encounters in Modern Hebrew Literature

18:30 - Exhibition Opening - "Visual Israeliness", Curated By **Alik Mishory**,
The Open University of Israel - **Moshe Neuderfer Auditorium Lobby**

19:30 - **Annual AIS Banquet** (By Paid Tickets Only) - **Main Square**

Chair: **Alan Dowty**, President, Association for Israel Studies

Greetings: **Ora Limor**, Vice President for Academic Affairs, The Open University of
Israel

Awarding the Annual Ben Halpern Award for best dissertation in Israel Studies and
the Annual Yonathan Shapiro Award for best book in Israel Studies.

Keynote Speaker: **Shlomo Avineri** , Department of Political Science, The Hebrew
University of Jerusalem. Former Director-General, Ministry of Foreign Affairs;
Recipient of the Israel Prize:

On Multi-Culturalism, Solidarity and the Law of Return

Tuesday, June 12, 2007

8:30-16:00 p.m. - Conference Registration Desk Open

09:00-18:00 - **Multicultural Israel: Cinematic Portrait**, Continuous screening of
Israeli Movies (See details at the end of program) - **Moshe Neuderfer Auditorium**

9:00-10:45 - Panel Session 5

5.1 **Israeli Foreign Policy after the Israel-Hizbolla War** - **Kanbar Hall**

Chair: **Robert O. Freedman**, The Baltimore Hebrew University and Johns Hopkins
University (rofreedman@comcast.net)

Eyal Zisser, Tel-Aviv University

Israel's Relations with Syria and Lebanon

Uzi Rabi, Tel-Aviv University

Israel's Relations with Saudi Arabia

David Menashri, Tel-Aviv University

Israel and Iran: The Ahmadi-nejad Factor

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

Israel and the United States

5.2 Class and Ethnic Boundaries - Room 7

Chair: **Motti Regev**, The Open University of Israel (mottire@openu.ac.il)

Dana Kaplan, The Open University of Israel

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

Etan Bloom, Tel-Aviv University

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

Joyce Dalsheim, University of North Carolina at Charlotte

Twice Removed: Mizrahi Settlers in Gush Katif

Sonja Flathus, University of Oslo

The State's Threefold Immigration Engine and the Arab-Jewish Conflict

5.3 Israeli Values and Identity - Room 8

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

Myron Aronoff, Rutgers University

Contested Israeli Identity

Shlomo Egoz, Bar-Ilan University

Safety, Sustenance and Self Expression in Israeli Value System

Benyamin Neuberger, The Open University of Israel

Different Concepts of Israeli Democracy

Gideon Katz, Ben-Gurion University

The Israeli Kulturkampf

5.4 Critical Junctures in the Formation of Israeli Statehood - **Room 12**

Chair: **Derek Penslar**, University of Toronto (derek.penslar@utoronto.ac)

Meir Chazan, Tel-Aviv University

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

Avi Bareli, Ben-Gurion University

State and Socialism in the Israeli *Mamlachtiut* During the Fifties

Orit Rozin, Tel-Aviv University

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

Noa Schonmann, University of Oxford

Between Foreign and Security Policy Making in Israel (1957-1967)

5.5 Zionism and Identity Politics [I] - **Room 104**

Chair: **Zeev Katvan**, The Open University of Israel (zeevka@openu.ac.il)

Colin Schindler, University of London

Irish Republicanism and the Zionist Right

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

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

Taro Tsurumi, University of Tokyo

How the Russian Empire Ideologically Effected the Formation of Zionism:
Sociological Inquiry into Nationalism in the Eastern Empire

Kris Kotarski, University of Calgary

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

5.6 Jewish and Palestinian Citizens in Israel - **Room 105**

Chair: **Ilana Kaufman**, The Open University of Israel (ilanako@openu.ac.il)

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

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

School

Sammy Smooha, University of Haifa

Multiculturalism and the Index of Arab-Jewish Relations in Israel

Dan Soen, The College of Judea and Samaria, **Nitza Davidovitch**, The College of Judea and Samaria, **Michal Kolan**, Western Galilee College

A Discourse of Diversity: Arab Students' Perspectives on Institutional Climate -
A Study of Two Public Colleges in Israel

Nitza Davidovitch, The College of Judea and Samaria, **Dan Soen**, The College of Judea and Samaria, **Michal Kolan**, Western Galilee College

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

5.7 Collective Memory, Culture and Identity in Mass Communication - **Room 206**

Chair: **Tamar Liebes**, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

(mstamarl@mscc.huji.ac.il)

Oren Meyers, University of Haifa

Israeli Journalists and the Constructed Legacy of *Haolam Haze*

Eyal Zandberg, Netanya Academic College

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

Oren Soffer, The Open University of Israel

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

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

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

5.8 Dynamics of Immigration and Emigration - **Guest Center**

Chair: **Mira Katzburg-Yungman**, The Open University of Israel

(mirayu@openu.ac.il)

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

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

Avram Hein, Legacy Heritage Fund

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

Maya Benish-Weisman, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Characteristics of Successful and Unsuccessful Immigrants' Stories

10:45-11:15 - Coffee Break

11:15-13:00 - Panel Session 6

6.1 40 Years to Mass Jewish Immigration From the Soviet Union - **Kanbar Hall**

Chair: **Baruch Gur-Gurevitz**, The Open University of Israel and University of Haifa
(baruchg@openu.ac.il)

Oded Eran, The Interdisciplinary Center

Soviet Jewry as a Factor in the Relationship Between the Soviet Union and the West

Ted Friedgut, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Myths and Demi-Myths Regarding Jewish Emigration From the Former Soviet Union

Matityahu Mayzel, Tel-Aviv University

The Impact of the Six Day War on Soviet Jewry

Baruch Gur-Gurevitz, The Open University of Israel and University of Haifa

Consent and Dissent Regarding the Soviet Jewry Struggle Within and Outside the Former Soviet Union

6.2 Israel 1948: Institutions and Processes - **Room 7**

Chair: **Mordechai Bar-On**, Yad Ben-Zvi Institute (yael@ybz.org.il)

Mordechai Bar-On, Yad Ben-Zvi Institute

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

Shlomit Keren, University of Calgary

Institutionalization of the IDF Chaplaincy

Moshe Naor, University of Toronto

The Day After Yesterday: The Israeli Post 1948 Reconstruction

Paula Kabalo, Ben-Gurion University

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

6.3 Social Memory, the Holocaust and Israeli Society - **Room 8**

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

(msvini@mscc.huji.ac.il)

Irit Dekel, New School for Social Research

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

Ruth Linn, University of Haifa

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

Sharon Geva, Tel-Aviv University

"This Was Not Heroism on My Part - It is My Duty": The Image of "Kapo" in the Israeli Discourse During the Eichman Trial

Mooli Brog, Unaffiliated Scholar

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

6.4 The Media as Shaping and Reflecting Public Attitudes - **Room 12**

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

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

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

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

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

Ruth Ebenstein, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

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

Amit Schejter, Pennsylvania State University

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

6.5 Candidate and Leadership Selection Methods: Israel in Comparative

Prersective - **Room 104**

Chair and Discussant: **Avraham Brichta**, University of Haifa

(abrichta@univ.haifa.ac.il)

Reuven Y. Hazan, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, **Gideon Rahat**, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

The Significance of Candidate Selection: Israel in Comparative Perspective

Ofer Kenig, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

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

Maoz Rosenthal, The Open University of Israel

The Policy Implication of Intra-Party Institutions in Parliamentary Democracy

Nir Atmor, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

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

6.6 The New Politics of Inequality - **Room 105**

Chair: **Michael Shalev**, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem (shalev@vms.huji.ac.il)

Orly Benjamin, Bar-Ilan University

The Povertizing Power of a De-Regulated State

Sharon Asiskovitch, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

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

Anat Maor, The Open University of Israel and Ruppin Academic Center

Interpretation of the Standard of Living in Israel

Sylvie Fogiel-Bijaoui, Beit Berl Academic College

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

6.7 Challenges of the Education System in Israel - **Room 206**

Chair: **Sarah Guri-Rosenblit**, The Open University of Israel (saragu@openu.ac.il)

Eitan Schiffman, Sapir College and Ben-Gurion University

Identities, Interests and Changing Modes of Segmentation in Israel Schooling

Marina Niznik, Tel-Aviv University

Russian Language and Language of Politics in Israel

Michael Philippov, University of Haifa

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

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

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

6.8 Immigrant Childhood in Mandatory Palestine - **Guest Center**

Chair: **Tammy Razi**, Sapir Academic College and Bar-Ilan University

(tammyrazi@bezeqint.net)

Yael Darr, Tel-Aviv University

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

Dafna Hirsch, Tel-Aviv University

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

Na'ama Sheffi, Sapir Academic College

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

Tammy Razi, Sapir Academic College and Bar-Ilan University

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

13:15-14:15 - Lunch Break

14:15-16:00 - Panel Session 7

7.1 **Meet the Author** (Double Session Devoted to Three books on Emigration from
the Former Soviet Union) - **Kanbar Hall**

Part I

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

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

Chair: **Zvi Gitelman**, University of Michigan (zvigitel@umich.edu)

Participants:

Boris Morozov, Tel-Aviv University

Zeev Khanin, Bar-Ilan University and The Interdisciplinary Center

Larissa Remennick, Bar-Ilan University

Discussant: **Alek Epstein**, The Open University of Israel

7.2 Periphery and Identity: Mizrahim in Israeli Film, Music and Television -

Room 7

Chair: **Liat Steir-Livny**, The Open University of Israel (liatsl@openu.ac.il)

Yaron Shemer, University of Texas, Austin

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

Galeet Dardashti, University of Texas, Austin

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

Michal Hamo, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Israeli Public Discourse with and about Mizrahim: A Case Study of Popular Television

Sigalit Banai, Tel-Aviv University

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

7.3 Social Memory and the Varied Faces of Israeli Society - Room 8

Chair: **Alon Confino**, University of Virginia (confino@virginia.edu)

Tamir Sorek, University of Florida

Cautious Commemoration: Palestinian Memorial Monuments in Israel

Efrat Ben-Ze'ev, Ruppin Academic Center, **Edna Lomsky-Feder**, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

From 1948 to 1973: The Generational Framework of Memory

Yael Zerubavel, Rutgers University

Memory, Identity and the Politics of Representation: Desert Tourism in Israel
Vered Vinitzky-Seroussi, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Time, Space and Memorial Demonstration: Commemoration and Israeli-Jewish
Society

7.4 Israeli Women Studies - Round Table Following the Book by Esther Fuchs,
Womens' Studies: A Reader, Rutgers University Press, 2005 - **Room 12**

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

Esther Fuchs, University of Arizona

Hanna Herzog, Tel-Aviv University

Orly Lubin, Tel-Aviv University

Tamar El-Or, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

7.5 "Now I am Free": Women's Empowerment as a Result of Immigration -
Room 104

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

Chair: **Yael Katzir**, Beit Berl Academic College (katziry@hotmail.ac.il)

Yael Katzir, Beit Berl Academic College

Yael Katzir, Levinsky College of Education

Gadi Kviatek, Beit Berl Academic College

7.6 The Great Wave of Immigration - Room 105

Chair and Discussant: **Dvora Hacoheh**, Bar-Ilan University

(hacohed@mial.bgu.ac.il)

Alon Pauker, Yad Ya'ari, Givat Haviva and Beit Berl Academic College

Kibbutz Expectations of Mass Immigration and Problems of the Melting Pot

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

Ilan Troen, Ben-Gurion University and Brandeis University

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

Shifra Shvarts, Ben-Gurion University

Politics and Health: The Impact of International Health Organizations on the Care
of New Immigrants in Israel in the 1950s

7.7 Transitions and Forces in the Israeli Legal System - Room 206

Chair: **Menachem Hofnung**, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

(mshm@pluto.msc.huji.ac.il)

Meital Pinto, University of Toronto

On Offences to Religious Feelings in Israel

Yaara Lemberger-Kenar, University of Toronto

Revolution or Evolution? Exclusion of Evidence in Israeli Law

Udi Sommer, State University of New York, Stony Brook

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

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

Should Israel Establish a Constitutional Court?

7.8 The Challenge of Conflicting Values - Guest Center

Chair: **Doli Benhaviv**, The Open University of Israel (dolibe@openu.ac.il)

Judith Agassi-Buber, Tel-Aviv University

The Family in Israel

Gal Ariely, University of Haifa

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

Esther Eillam, Unaffiliated Scholar (H. Ph.D from The Hebrew University of Jerusalem)

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

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

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

16:00-16:15 - Coffee Break

16:15-18:00 - Panel Session 8

8.1 **The 1977 Political Upheaval - Perspectives of 30 Years** - Round Table

(Co-Organized By the Israeli Political Science Association) - **Kanbar Hall**

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

Asher Arian, University of Haifa

Gideon Doron, Tel-Aviv University

Tamar Hermann, The Open University of Israel

Ilan Peleg, Lafayette College

Arie Naor, Ben-Gurion University

8.2 **Zionism and Identity Politics [II]** - **Room 7**

Chair: **Daphne Tsimhoni**, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem and The Technion

(dtsimhon@actcom.co.il)

Yizhak Kerem, Aristotle University, Greece

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

Daphne Tsimhoni, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem and The Technion

The State of Israel, the Arab-Israeli Conflict and the Exodus of Jews From Arab
Lands: The Case of Iraq and Egypt

Noam Pianko, University of Washington

Zionism and the Shaping of Multiculturalism

Guy Ben-Porat, Ben-Gurion University

Secular, Multicultural and Intolerant?

8.3 **Negotiating the Past/Constucting the Future: New Directions in the Representaion of Minorities in Contemporary Israeli Media** - **Room 8**

Chair: **Shoshana Madmoni-Gerber**, Suffolk University

(madnonigerber@yahoo.com)

Raz Yosef, Tel-Aviv University and Sapir Academic College

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

Shoshana Madmoni-Gerber, Suffolk University

Coalition of Minorities and the Power of Self Representation

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

Does the Perceived Identity of the Regular Affect Programming Decisions?

Gender, Ethnicity, Nationality and Religiosity as Predictors of the

Representation of the "Other" on Prime Time Television

Gonen Hacoheh, University of Haifa

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

8.4 Moving Images of Immigration and Acculturation - **Room 12**

Chair: **Sandra Meiri**, The Open University of Israel (sandram@openu.ac.il)

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

On Castration and Immigration: Kosashvilli's Film *Gift from Heaven*

Janet Burstein, Drew University

Male Filmmakers and the Engendering of Israeli Women: Nir Bergman's *Broken*

Wings and Judd Neeman's *Nuzhat al Fuad*

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

The Female Immigrant Representation: A Gender Stereotype Perspective in Two

Plays (*An Immigrant Comes and Goes* by Joseph Mundi; *Uri-Muri* by Yitzhak

Ben-Ner)

Lea Fima, McGill University

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

8.5 Religious Zionism: Ideology and Community - **Room 104**

Chair: **Yoram Kirsh**, The Open University of Israel (yoramk@openu.ac.il)

Etta Bick, The College of Judea and Samaria

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

Yoel Watchel, Georgetown University

The Thought and Political Legacy of Rav Zvi Yehuda Kook

Hanna Herzog, Tel-Aviv University

Imagined Communities: State, Religion and Jewish Religious Women Settlers

8.6 **Meet the Author** (Double Session Devoted to Three books on Emigration from the Former Soviet Union) - **Room 105**

Part II

Eliezer Ben-Rafael et al., *Building a Diaspora: Russian Jews in Israel, Germany and America*, Leiden; Boston: Brill, 2006.

Chair: **Yossef Gorny**, Tel-Aviv University

Maria Yelenevskaya, The Technion

Olaf Glöckner, University of Potsdam

Moshe Lissak, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Discussant: **Eliezer Ben-Rafael**, Tel-Aviv University

8.7 **The Enigma of Jewish Nationalism in Turn of the Century Europe - Room 206**

Chair and Discussant: **Henry Wasserman**, The Open University of Israel

(henrywa@openu.ac.il)

Ela Bauer, University of Haifa

Between Polish Positivism and Jewish Nationalism

Semion Goldin, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

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

Scott Ury, Tel-Aviv University

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

Arie B. Saposnik, Arizona State University

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

8.8 **Utopia, Dystopia, Heterotopia - Guest Center**

Chair: **Esther Fuchs**, University of Arizona (fuchs@emai.arizona.edu)

Ilana Szobel, New York University

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

Shiri Goren, Yale University

War at Home: The Public Role of Private Spaces

Rachel Brenner, University of Wisconsin-Madison

The Woman Artist and Her Engagement with the World in Ruth Almog's
Fiction

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

Honoring **Myron Aronoff**, Rutgers University , former AIS president.

19:15 **Pluralism in Israel: From Melting Pot to Salad Bowl - The Chais**
Auditorium

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

Greetings: **Mr. Zeev Boim**, Minister of Immigrant Absorption

Chair: **Aviva Halamish**, The Open University of Israel

Shmuel N. Eisenstadt, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Zohar Shavit, Tel-Aviv University

Avi Picard, University of Maryland

Alan Dowty, University of Notre Dame

Moshe Lissak, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

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8:30-16:00 p.m. - Conference Registration Desk Open

09:00-18:00 - **Multicultural Israel: Cinematic Portrait**, Continuous screening of
Israeli Movies (See details at the end of program) - **Moshe Neuderfer Auditorium**

9:00-10:45 - Panel Session 9

9.1 **Immigration to Eretz-Israel as Re-inventing Feminine Identity [I]**

(Co-sponsored by Keren Kayemeth LeIsrael) - **Kanbar Hall**

Chair: **Margalit Shilo**, Bar-Ilan University (msshilo@mssc.huji.ac.il)

Esther Carmel-Hakim, University of Haifa

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

Ruti Glick, Bar-Ilan University

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

Lilach Rosenberg, Bar-Ilan University

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

Margalit Shilo, Bar-Ilan University

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

9.2 Past Present: Diaspora, Immigration and Survival Vis-à-vis the Israeli Art Canon - **Room 7**

Chair: **Dalia Manor**, Bezalel Academy of Art (dm23@soas.ac.uk)

Galia Bar-Or, Mishkan Le'Omanut, Ein Harod

Land and Refuge

Dalia Manor, Bezalel Academy of Art

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

Miri Gal-Ezer, Emek Yezreel Academic College

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

Nissim Gal, Tel-Aviv University

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

9.3 Explaining Israel Foreign Policy - **Room 8**

Chair: **Arie Geronik**, The Open University of Israel (ariege@openu.ac.il)

Yael Aronoff, Michigan State University

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

Arie Kacowicz, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

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

in a Unique Setting

Ohad Leslau, University of Haifa

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

9.4 Ideological Conflicts in Israel - **Room 12**

Chair: **Sara Helman**, Ben-Gurion University (sarith@bgu.ac.il)

Gerald Cromer, Bar-Ilan University

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

Ted Sasson, Brandeis University and Middlebury College, **Ephraim Tabory**, Bar-
Ilan University

Separate Ways Together: Cultural Consensus and Religious Divergence Among
Religious and Nonreligious Israeli Jews

Noach Milgram, The College of Judea & Samaria and Tel-Aviv University

Ideological Conflicts at Home and Outside

9.5 Demography Issues - **Room 104**

Chair: **Benyamin Neuberger**, The Open University of Israel (bennyn@openu.ac.il)

Sergio Della Pergola, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Israeli Population Policies: The View from Fertility

Yaacov Ben-Shemesh, Ono Academic College

Constitutional Rights, Immigration and Demography

Yaffa Zilbershats, Bar-Ilan University

Coping with Non-Jewish Immigration to Israel

Barbara S. Okun, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

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

9.6 Immigration: Gender Perspective - **Room 105**

(Co-sponsored by Keren Kayemeth LeIsrael)

Chair: **Bat-Sheva Margalit-Stern**, The Open University of Israel and Schechter
Institute of Jewish Studies (batsst@openu.ac.il)

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

Zionism, Idealism and Pragmatism: Women Immigrants to Mandatory Palestine

Zohar Segev, University of Haifa

Cultural, Social, and Political Alternatives in the Zionist Movement and Palestine - Hadassa Leaders in the Thirties and Forties: Radical Women and Revolutionary Leaders

Guy Miron, Schechter Institute of Jewish Studies

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

Hannah Safran, EmekYezreel Academic College and Leslie University

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

9.7 Rethinking Israeli Identity - **Room 206**

Chair: **Denis Charbit**, The Open University of Israel (denisch@openu.ac.il)

Sharon Weinblum, Universite Libre De Bruxelles

Social and Political Divisions in Israel: A Socio-Historical Approach

Chen Yehezkely, Unaffiliated Scholar

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

Yossi Kesner, University of Haifa

National Identity as a Derivative of Culture Consumption

Ben Mollov, Bar-Ilan University and **Zev Kalifon**, Bar-Ilan University

Between the Melting Pot and a State of All Citizens: an Applied Federalist-Multicultural Experiment

9.8 Critical Inquiries in Law and Space in Israel - **Guest Center**

Chair and Discussant: **Alexandere Kedar**, University of Haifa

(akedar@univ.hafia.ac.il)

Issachar Rosen-Zvi, Tel-Aviv University

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

Jeremy Forman, University of Haifa and Tel-Aviv University

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

Yishai Blank, Tel-Aviv University

The City and the World

10:45-11:15 - Coffee Break

11:15-13:00 - Panel Session 10

10.1 Immigration to Eretz-Israel as Re-inventing Feminine Identity [II]

(Co-sponsored by Keren Kayemeth LeIsrael) - **Kanbar Hall**

Chair: **Margalit Shilo**, Bar-Ilan University (msshilo@mcc.huji.ac.il)

Reut Green, Bar-Ilan University

Beila Immigrates Hemda Ben Yehuda Makes Aliya!

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

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

Smadar Sinai, Bar-Ilan University

A Change in Identity or a Change in Appearance: Manya Schochat and Ksanya

Pampilova and Their Aliya

Gabi Osem, University of Haifa

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

10.2 The Role of Immigrants Mediascapes in Process of Integration - Room 7

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

(avivazz@ruppin.ac.il)

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

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

Paths of Integration

Erez Cohen, Peres Academic College

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

Karin Amit, Ruppin Academic Center, **Ilan Riss**, Central Bureau of Statistics

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

American Immigrants in Bet Shemesh and Ra'anana

Sibyle Heilbrunn, Ruppin Academic Center, **Nonna Kushniruvich**, Ruppin

Academic Center

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

10.3 **Book Launching:** A Session Devoted to Recently Published Books in Israel
Studies - **Room 8**

Chair: **Yael Enoch**, The Open University of Israel (yaelen@openu.ac.il)

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

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

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

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

10.4 **I Movies/Personal Documentaries and Israeli Identity** - Round Table -
Room 12

Chair: **Shmuel Duvdevani**, Tel-Aviv University (duvdeva@post.tau.ac.il)

Michal Aviad, Director of *Ever Shot Anyone? And For my Children*

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

Hanoch Zeevi, Director of *Nadia's Friends*

Miri Talmon-Bohm, The Florida-Israel Institute , Florida Atlantic University

Dorit Naaman, Queen's University

10.5 **Electoral Changes: What Is it Good For?** - **Room 104**

Chair: **Hani Zubida**, Interdisciplinary Center (hzubida@idc.ac.il)

Gideon Doron, Tel-Aviv University

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

Fany Yuval, Ben-Gurion University

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

Hani Zubida, Interdisciplinary Center

Changing the Israeli Governmental System: What, If Anything, Can We Learn

from Past Experience?

Maoz Rosenthal, The Open University of Israel

Public Policy Implications of Electoral Changes in a Divided Society

10.6 **Lebanon War Dilemmas - Room 105**

Chair: **Shaul Gabbay**, University of Denver (sgabbay@du.edu)

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

Public Attitudes Towards Commissions of Investigation in the Wake of the
Second Lebanon War: A Panel Survey

Efraim Inbar, Bar-Ilan University

Strategic Fallacies in the 2006 Lebanon War

Zeev Maoz, University of California, Davis

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

10.7 **1948: Homefront, the International Arena and Collective Memory - Room 206**

Chair: **Zohar Segev**, University of Haifa (zsegev@research.haifa.ac.il)

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

The National Information Center and the 1948 Refugees and the 1949-1956
Infiltrators – State Activity in Shaping the Collective Memory of the Conflict

Dan Bitan, The Israeli-Palestinian Science Organization (IPSO)

UNSCOP and Jerusalem: Internationalization as Façade for Western
Hegemony?

Nurit Cohen-Levinovsky, Tel-Aviv University

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

Shira Klein, New York University

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

10.8 **Queries Regarding Israeli Nationhood - Guest Center**

Chair: **Avriel Bar-Levav**, The Open University of Israel (avribar@openu.ac.il)

Moshe Berent, The Open University of Israel

Does Israel Have a Navel? Anthony Smith and Zionism

Joseph Agassi, Tel-Aviv University

Traditional and Modern Nations Are Primitive and Abstract Families

Steven Rousso-Schindler, University of Southern California

Constructing and Deconstructing the Nation: The Case of the Israeli
'Demography' National Narrative

13:00-14:30 - Lunch Break

13:00 - 14:15 - AIS Annual Business Meeting - **Room 7**

14:30- 16:15 - Panel Session 11

11.1 The Pursuit of Peace and the Crisis of Israeli Identity - Round Table

Following the Book By Dov Waxman, *The Pursuit of Peace and the Crisis of Israeli Identity*, Palgrave, 2006 - **Kanbar Hall**

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

Dov Waxman, Baruch College

Myron Aronoff, Rutgers University

Alan Dowty, University of Notre Dame

11.2 Israeli Immigration Policies - **Room 7**

Chair: **Alek Epstein**, The Open University of Israel (alekdep@pob.huji.ac.il)

Rachelle Alterman, The Technion

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

Allison Sheren, University of Michigan

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

Alexander Murinson, SOAS London

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

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

Russian Speaking Israel in the 21st Century: Problems of Jewish Identity

11.3 **The Return of the Repressed: Old-New World - Room 8**

Chair: **Hannah Naveh**, Tel-Aviv University (hannahna@post.ac.il)

Hannah Pressman, New York University

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

Shirli Sela-Levavi, Rutgers University

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

Iris Milner, Tel-Aviv University

Yossel Birstein's Novel *Bemidrakhot Tzarot*

11.4 **Israeli Issues in Comparative Perspective - Room 12**

Chair: **Robert Weiner**, Lafayette College (weinerr@lafayette.edu)

Meir Amor, Concordia University

Quebecois and Israeli Citizenship as a National Crossroad: Two Hypotheses

Alain Dieckhoff, CERI-CNRS, Paris

Ethnicity and Democracy: Israel in Comparative Perspective

Robert Weiner, Lafayette College

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

Maznah Mohamad, National University of Singapore

The Dilemmas of Multicultural Democracy: The Case of Malaysia

11.5 **Reproduction Technologies in Israel - Room 104**

Chair: **Yael Hashiloni-Dolev**, Tel-Aviv University (hashi@post.tau.ac.il)

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

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

Sigal Gooldin, University of Haifa

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

Eli Teman, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Controlling Chaos: The Case of State-Controlled Surrogacy

Smadar Canyon, Ashkelon Academic College

Medical Control and Physicians in the Discussions of Committee for Egg
Donation in Israel

11.6 **Re-visions of Ethnicities - Room 105**

Chair and Discussant: **Miri Talmon-Bohm**, The Florida-Israel Institute, Florida
Atlantic University (miriari22@aol.com)

Miri Talmon-Bohm, The Florida-Israel Institute, Florida Atlantic University

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

Eran Kaplan, University of Cincinnati

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

Yaron Peleg, George Washington University

The Evolution of Images of *Mizrahim* in Israeli Cinema

16:15-16:30 - Coffee Break

16:30-18:15 - Panel Session 12

12.1 **Israel and Immigrants During the 1950s from a Gendered Women's
Perspective** (Co-sponsored by Keren Kayemeth LeIsrael) - **Kanbar Hall**

Chair: **Judith Baumel-Schwartz**, Bar-Ilan University (baumelj@gmail.com)

Hilda Nissimi, Bar-Ilan University

From Communal Solidarity in Mashhad to Individual Redemption in Zion:
Female Immigrants During the 1950s

Tali Tadmor-Shimoni, Achva Academic College

The Immigrant Female Teacher as an Immigration Absorption Agent

Mira Katzburg-Yungman, The Open University of Israel

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

Judith Baumel-Schwartz, Bar-Ilan University

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

12.2 (Re-)division of Power in Israeli Politics - Room 7

Chair: **Gideon Rahat**, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem (msgrah@mscc.huji.ac.il)

Menachem Hofnung, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Courts as an Electoral Arena

Gideon Rahat, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, **Shaul Shenhav**, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

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

Eyal Lewin, University of Haifa

Are Patriots Really More Patriotic than Their Anti-Patriot Rivals? Poking into Patriotism Through the Israeli Case

Anat Peleg, Bar-Ilan University

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

Eti Sarig, The Open University of Israel

Urban Coalition: Business and Local Government

12.3 Israel Studies - Room 8

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

Hava Mustigman, The Open University of Israel

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

Miriam Shenkar, Ohio State University

Israel Studies as an Emerging Scholarly Field

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

12.4 Book Launching: A Session Devoted to Recently Published Books in Israel Studies - Room 12

Chair: **Haggai Erlich**, Tel-Aviv University and The Open University of Israel (haggai@openu.ac.il)

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

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

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

Olga Gershenson, *Gesher: Russian Theater in Israel: A Study of Cultural Colonization*, New York: Peter Lang, 2005.

12.5 Israeli Majority-Minority Relations in Comparative Perspective - **Room 104**

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

Oded Haklai, Queen's University

Mutability in Jewish - Palestinian Arab Relations in Israel

Ayelet Harel-Shalev, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

A State of All its Citizens? Lessons from India

Maha El-Taji Daghsh, University of Washington

The Impact of Jewish Political Parties on the Arab Hamula System in the 1960s and 1970s

Ilan Peleg, Lafayette College

From Hegemonic Structures to Accommodationism: A Worldwide Perspective

12.6 "Watching Zionism" - Chapters in the History of Israeli Television - **Room 105**

Co-Chairs: **Jerome Bourdon**, Tel-Aviv University, **Sharon Shahaf**, The University of Texas, Austin (jeromeb@post.ac.il; sharonsha@mail.utexas.edu)

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

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

Sharon Shahaf, The University of Texas, Austin

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

Bosmat Garami, Tel-Aviv University

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

Eric Saranovitz, Denison University

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

12.7 The "Four Mothers" Movement: Academic and Activist Perspectives -

Room 206

Chair: **Rachel Ben-Dor**, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

(rachelbend@yahoo.com)

Daniel Lieberfeld, Duquesne University

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

Linda Ben-Zvi, Tel-Aviv University

A Little Goes a Long Way: the Four Mothers Abroad

Hagit Di-Nur, The Open University of Israel

Four Mothers, Three Fathers: Justice and Peace

Rachel Ben-Dor, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

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

12.8 Migration and Transnational Dynamics - Guest Center

Chair: **Zeev Rosenhek**, The Open University of Israel (zeevro@openu.ac.il)

Chaim Waxman, Rutgers University

Aliya in the Age of Transnationalism

Israel Pupko, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

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

Tally Kritzman, Yale University and Tel-Aviv University

Israel as a State of Temporary Asylum

18:30 - 20:00 - Closing Plenary - The Chais Auditorium

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

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

Naomi Chazan, Former Knesset Member

Yossi Beilin, Knesset Member, Former Minister of Economics and Planning, Former Minister of Justice and Former Minister of Religious Affairs

Uzi Landau, Former Minister of Public Security

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

Multicultural Israel: Cinematic Portrait
Screening program

Curator and Academic Advisor: Miri Talmon-Bohm,
The Florida-Israel Institute, Florida Atlantic University
Documentaries curtesy of Ruth Diskin Films Ltd.

Monday, June 11, 2007

09:15-10:15 - The Israeli Kaleidoscope

Moments, Jerusalem 2005 (60 min)

10:15-18:15 - Personal Films, Collective Identity

Le Grand Akshan (**Ron Goldman**, 2002, 58 min)

Nadia's Friends (**Chanoch Zeevi**, 2006, 60 min)

Ever Shot Anyone? (**Michal Aviad**, 1996, 57 min)

For My Children (**Michal Aviad**, 2002, 65 min.)

66 Was a Good Year for Tourism (**Amit Goren**, 1992, 72 min)

Another Land (**Amit Goren**, 1998, 85 min.)

Dear Edmond (**Amit Goren**, 2006, 82 min)

Tuesdya, June 12, 2007

09:00-13:45 - Transparent Kippahs: Orthodox Jews, Secular Israelis, and Other Variations

Did Hertzl Really Say That? Episode 1: The Transparent Kippahs (**Ido Bahat**, 2006, 50 min)

Did Hertzl Really Say That? Episode 3: And if I forget Thee (**Ido Bahat**, 2006, 50 min)

Film Fanatic (**Shlomo Hazan**, 2006, 55 min)

To Be an Israeli Woman: Lea (**Ziva Postec**, 2004, 60 min)

Say Amen (**David Deri**, 2006, 50 min)

13:45-17:35 - **The Conflict and Israeli Democracy: Palestinian/Arab Israelis and Other Variations**

Did Hertzl Really Say That? Episode 2: O! My Homeland (**Ido Bahat**, 2006, 50 min)

Nadia's Friends (**Chanoch Zeevi**, 2006, 60 min)

To Be an Israeli Woman: Aziza (**Ziva Postec**, 2004, 65 min)

First Lesson in Peace (**Yoram Honig**, 2006, 55 min)

Wednesday, June 14, 2007

09:00-12:40 - **Young Israelis, Music and the Israeli Experience**

On the Front Line (**Chanoch Zeevi**, 2001, 55 min)

Channels of Rage (**Anat Halachmi**, 2003, 70 min)

Aviv (**Tomer Heymann**, 2003, 80 min.)

12:40-16:00 - **Re-visions of "Aliya": Multiculturalism, Immigration, and the Nation**

Did Hertzl really say that? Episode 4: Anna, Sasha, and Natasha (**Ido Bahat**, 2007, 50 min)

To Be an Israeli Woman: Regina, (**Ziva Postec**, 2004, 70 min.)

To Be an Israeli Woman: Rebecca (**Ziva Postec**, 2004, 70 min)

16:00-18:30 - **Personal Films, Collective Identity - Revisited**

Nadia's Friends (**Chanoch Zeevi**, 2006, 60 min.)

Another Land (**Amit Goren**, 1998, 85 min)