JEWISH RIGHTS, MINORITY RIGHTS, HUMAN RIGHTS?
Towards a Historical Genealogy of the Human Rights Discourse in the 20th Century

Wednesday, March 18, 2015

09:15-09:30 Greetings
Dina Moyal, Tel Aviv University

09:30-11:15 The Interwar Era and the Question of Minority Rights
Chair: Yoav Peled, Tel Aviv University
Carole Fink, Ohio State University
The Jews and International Minority Protection, 1919-1939
Marcos Silber, University of Haifa
Poland or Lithuania, but Which One? Zionism, Minority Rights, and the Nation State
William Forbath, The University of Texas at Austin
Diaspora and Group Rights: Jews, Law and Identity Politics in the Early 20th Century

11:30-13:15 The End of World War II and the Victims’ Demand for Rights
Chair: Havi Dreifuss, Tel Aviv University
Miriam Rürup, University of Hamburg
Homeless or World Citizens? Dealing with the Stateless in Europe after Two World Wars
Rivka Brot, Tel Aviv University
Taking Collective Rights Seriously: The Jewish DP’s Struggle for Legal Autonomy
Laura Jockusch, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

14:30-16:15 The Post-War Era: The Internationalization of Justice
Chair: Aeyal Gross, Tel Aviv University
James Loefler, University of Virginia
How Do You Say “Genocide” in Yiddish? Reflections on the Forgetting of Jewish Human Rights History
Eliav Lieblich, Interdisciplinary Center Herzliya
Cosmopolitanism at a Crossroads: Hersch Lauterpacht and the Israeli Declaration of Independence (with Yoram Shachar)
Rotem Giladi, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Not Our Salvation: Israel, the Genocide Convention, and the World Court, 1951

17:00-19:00 The Minerva Human Rights Annual Lecture
(The Malka Brander Hall of Justice, Trubowicz Building)
Chair: Leora Bilsky, Tel Aviv University
Greetings: Roy Kreitner, Vice Dean, Tel Aviv University Faculty of Law
Keynote Speaker: Samuel Moyn, Harvard University
Respondent: Doreen Lustig, Tel Aviv University

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09:30-11:15 Human Rights in Socialist Societies
Chair: Iris Rachamimov, Tel Aviv University
Dina Moyal, Tel Aviv University
Between Human Rights and Citizen Rights: The Soviet Legal System under Stalin’s Successors
Benjamin Nathans, University of Pennsylvania
Refuseniks and Rights-Defenders: Jews, Rights and the Soviet Dissident Movement
Orit Rozin, Tel Aviv University
On the Right to be Heard: Immigrants Demanding Recognition in Israel

11:30-13:15 Contemporary Israeli Society: The Limits of Liberalism?
Chair: Lena Salaymeh, Tel Aviv University
Nissim Mizrahi, Tel Aviv University
Group Boundaries: Barriers or Carriers of Human Rights in Israel
Menachem Mautner, Tel Aviv University
The Thinness of Liberalism and the Problems of the Liberal Camp in Israel’s Kulturkampf
Dana Alexander, The Association for Civil Rights in Israel
Reflections of a Human Rights Organization in a Traditional Society
Hassan Jabareen, Tel Aviv University and Adalah, The Legal Center for Arab Minority Rights in Israel
The Historical Development of the Discourse on Rights among Arabs in the Jewish State from 1948 to the Present

14:30-16:00 The Practice of Human Rights in Israel Today
Chair: Neta Ziv, Tel Aviv University
Ronit Irshai, Bar Ilan University
Modern-Orthodox Feminism: Obstacles, Challenges, Achievements
Kineret Sadeh, Tel Aviv University
Ultra-Orthodox Educators and the Challenge of Living Together Differently: A Post-Liberal Perspective
Rawia Aburabia, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Human Rights in Practice: Legal and Moral Dilemmas in Litigating Cases of the Arab-Bedouin Minority in Israel

16:15-17:15 Roundtable Discussion
Chair: Scott Ury, Tel Aviv University
Samuel Moyn, Harvard University
Leora Bilsky, Tel Aviv University
Benjamin Nathans, University of Pennsylvania

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