

SEMITES:

Towards the History of a Concept

9:45 Coffee and reception

10:00 Greetings and Introductory Remarks

Raanan Rein Vice President, Tel Aviv University

Scott Ury Director, Roth Institute, Tel Aviv University

10:15 Semites between Religion and Race

Chair: **Miriam Eliav-Feldon**Chair, Historical Society of Israel

Tel Aviv University

Iris Idelson-Shein

Goethe University, Frankfurt am Main Ben Gurion University of the Negev Semites Avant la Lettre? Jews and Muslims in European Imagination Before 1800

Julie Chajes Tel Aviv University Semites, Aryans, and the Invention of Monotheism

Ofri llany The Van Leer Jerusalem Institute Sons of Shem, Sons of Ham and the Birth of Modern Racial Concepts

11:45 Coffee break

12:00 Semites, Pan-Semites and Zionists Chair: Ela Bauer Kibbutzim College, Tel Aviv

Hanan Harif Ben-Zvi Institute, Jerusalem Ashkenazi Semites? Pan-Semitism and the Question of Mizrahi Jews

Stefan Vogt Goethe University, Frankfurt am Main Zionist Theories of "Race"

Ahuvia Goren Tel Aviv University
The Truth or a Trap? Religious-Zionist Reflections on the Jews as a Race

13:30 Lunch break

14:45 Muslims and Jews in the Public Discourse Chair: Yaron Tsur Tel Aviv University

Gustavo Guzman Tel Aviv University The Chilean Right's Changing Attitudes Towards Jews and Arabs, 1938-1978

Marcus Funk Centre for Research on Antisemitism, Technical University, Berlin A History of the Present: Semites vs. Europe and the Reconfiguration of the Other in the German "Abendland" Discourse

Yulia Egorova Durham University, UK *Muslims and Jews in Britain Today*

16:15 Coffee break

16:30 Semites between History and Language Chair: Galili Shahar Tel Aviv University

Felix Wiedemann Freie Universität, Berlin "Principal Actors of History": The Semites as Characters in Historiographical and Philological Narratives (1781-1883)

Noah Gerber Tel Aviv University
Judaism, Islam and the Limits of Fluidity:
Yemenite Jewry in the Historical Imagination

Almog Behar The Van Leer Jerusalem Institute Sister Languages? Bi-Lingual Authors Imagining Hebrew and Arabic, Past and Future

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THE ROSA LUXEMBURG STIFTUNG, TEL AVIV

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THE MINERVA INSTITUTE FOR GERMAN HISTORY

THE S. DANIEL ABRAHAM CENTER FOR INTERNATIONAL AND REGIONAL STUDIES

THE STEPHEN ROTH INSTITUTE FOR THE STUDY OF CONTEMPORARY ANTISEMITISM AND RACISM