THE SOVIET UNION, SOVIET JEWS AND POST-SOVIET IMMIGRANTS

Monday, December 9, 2013, 9:45 - 17:30
Tel Aviv University, Gilman Bldg, Room 496

9:45-10:15 | Coffee and Refreshments
10:15 | Greetings
Prof. Aron Shai, Rector of Tel Aviv University
Dr. Rafael Vago, Department of History, Tel Aviv University

10:30-12:00 | Challenges at Home and Abroad: The Late Soviet Period and the Collapse

Chair: Dr Iris Rachamimov

Dima Adamsky The Soviet Dimension of the 1973 War in Light of the New Sources
Sophie Kotzer Alexander Men’s Scandalous Murder: View of the Church-State Media Discourse during Perestroika
Zeev Levin Independent Roads to Independence: Comparative View on Central Asian Republics

12:00-13:30 – Lunch Break

13:30-15:00 | Diaspora, Culture and Identity of Former Soviet Union Immigrants

Chair: Dr Vera Kaplan

Dina Moyal Former Soviet Immigrants between Jewish and Israel Identity
Julia Lerner Russians in Israel: The Thickening of the Thin Jewish Culture and its Distortion
Illa Ben Porat Perpetual Diaspora, Changing Homelands: The Construction of Russian Speaking Jews as a Diaspora of Two Nations

15:00-15:30 – Coffee Break

15:30-17:00 | The Jews of the Soviet Union between Hammer and Sickle

Chair: Prof. Moshe Rosman

Nati Cantorovich The Action for Soviet Jewry on the Eve of WWII
Dmitry Shumsky The “Jewish Question” in Late Stalinism
Samuel Barnai The Revival of Jewish Culture in Post-Stalinist Soviet Union

17:00 Comments: Prof. Ya’akov Ro’i

The lectures will be given in Hebrew

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