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המרכז ללימודי ישראל  
Yeshiva University Center for Israel Studies

International Conference

# Displacements of Jewish Communal Life in Islamic Lands and Cultural Reconstruction in Israel

Monday, December 10, 2018, 2 Tevet, 5779  
Yeshiva University Museum at the Center for  
Jewish History, 15 West 16th Street,  
New York, NY 10011



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**09:30-10:00 Arrival and Registration**

**10:00-12:00 Opening Session:  
Disruptions of Jewish Communal Life in Islamic Lands**

Chair: Dr. Shimon Ohayon, Director of the Dahan Center

## **Greetings:**

MK Gila Gamliel, Minister of Social Equality

Mr. Avraham Duvdevani, Chairman of the World Zionist Organization

Dr. Jacob Wisse, Director of Yeshiva University Museum

## **Lectures:**

Prof. Shmuel Trigano, Paris Nanterre University

**The historical background of the end of Jewish Communal life in the Arab Lands The legal status of the Jewish refugees that left the Arab lands**

Prof. David Matas, University of Manitoba

**The legal status of the Jewish refugees from Arab lands**

Prof. Henry Green, University of Miami

**Sephardic Sights: narratives of expulsion, memory and identity in film**

**12:00-12:15 Coffee break**

**12:15-1:00 Second session**

Chair: Prof. Steven Fine, Yeshiva University

## **Greetings:**

Prof. Selma Botman, Vice President for Academic Affairs and  
Provost, Yeshiva University

Prof. Noam Norman Stillman, University of Oklahoma  
**The Jews of the Islamic World in Modern Times: Transformation and Transplantation**

**1:00-1:30 Lunch Break**

**1:30-2:30 Third Session:  
Disruptions and Continuities**

Chair: Prof. Thierry Alcoloumbre, Bar-Ilan University

**Greeting & Remarks:**

Mr. Eddie Ashkenazie, Research Coordinator A.S.F

Prof. Daniel Tsadik, Yeshiva University

**Leaving Home? Notes on Iranian Jews' emigration from Iran**

Dr. Joseph Ringel, Yeshiva University

**Educational Systems and Religious Identity: From Arab Lands to Israel**

**2:30-3:00 Musical interlude:**

***Piyyutim***

**Rabbi Moshe Tessone, Yeshiva University**

**Belz School of Jewish Music**

**3:00-3:30 Coffee break**

**3:30-5:00 Fourth Session:  
Disruptions and Continuities: Cultural and International  
Institutions**

Chair: Dr. Sarina Roffé, Sephardic Heritage Project

Dr. Stanley Urman, Executive Vice President, Justice for Jews from Arab Countries

**The relationship of the UN to Jewish refugees and their property in comparison to Palestinian Refugees**

Dr. Reuven Gafni, Kinneret Academic College

**Synagogues in the Islamic World from Glory to Commemoration**

Yamit Armbrister, Author

**The Jews of Morocco: Through the Historical Fiction of One Remarkable Woman**

**Concluding comments:**

Prof. Daniel Tsadik, Dr. Hillel Newman and Dr. Shimon Ohayon





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