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International Conference

The End of Jewish Communal Life in Arab Lands

Monday, December 02, 2019, 4 Kislev, 5780

American Sephardi Federation (ASF)

At Center for Jewish History

15 West 16th Street, New York, NY 10011



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09:30-10:00: Arrival and Registration

10:00-11:00: Opening Session: Disruptions of Jewish Communal Life in Islamic Lands

Chair: Dr. Shimon Ohayon, Director, the Dahan Center, Bar-Ilan University

Greetings:

MK Gila Gamliel, Minister of Social Equality, Israel

Mr. Avraham Duvdevani, Chairman of the World Zionist Organization

Mr. Jason Guberman, Executive Director, American Sephardi Federation

Mr. Akiva Tor, Foreign Ministry, Israel

Ms. Ellie Cohanin, Deputy Special Envoy to Monitor and Combat Anti-Semitism from the US State Department.

Lecture:

Rabbi Elie Abadie, MD, Founder and Rabbi of Manhattan East Synagogue, President JJAC, ASF Board Member

The Exodus of Jews from Arab Lands and the Legal Struggle for Their Rights

11:00-11:15: Coffee break

11:15-12:15: Second session: "Leaving without returning": Immigration from Arab Countries

Chair: Prof. Steven Fine, Yeshiva University

Dr. Sasha Goldstein-Sabbah, Leiden University

The Jews of Iraq and Egypt: the process that led to their mass expulsion

Ms. Dana Avrish, Multidisciplinary Artist

My exhibition: "Leaving, Never to Return"

12:15-13:00: Lunch Break

13:00-14:00: Third Session: The struggle for the rights of Jews from Arab lands

Chair: Prof. Thierry Alcoloumbre, Bar-Ilan University

Prof. David Matas and Aaron Rosenberg, RE-LAW LLP, University of Manitoba

The legal status of Jews who were expelled from Arab countries from the perspective of international law

Ms. Sarina Roffé, Sephardic Heritage Project

Post 1948 Persecutions of Syrian Jews; Agency Relief and Escape

14:00-14:15 Coffee break

14:15-15:15 Fourth Session: Jewish communities in Muslim Lands

Chair: Dr. Drora Arussy, Director, ASF Institute of Jewish Experience

Dr. Joseph Ringel, Yeshiva University

Zionist activism and local politics in Arab countries (1940-1956)

Ms. Lerone Edalati, ASF Broome and Allen Fellow

Migration, Exile, and Diaspora: Examining Iranian Jewish life before and after the 1979 Revolution

15:15-16:00 Student presentations

The story of our family roots: Thoughts of the Next Generation

16:00-17:00 Musical Program:

Dr. Samuel Torjman Thomas, City University of New York; ASF Broome & Allen Fellow; NY Andalus Ensemble & ASEFA

Judeo-Muslim soundscapes in Morocco: a tradition of musical dialogue



Concluding Remarks:

Prof. Steven Fine, Yeshiva University

Prof. Thierry Alcoloumbre, Bar-Ilan University



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