

International Conference

The End of Jewish Communal Life in the Arab Lands

Monday, December 4, 2017, 16 Kislev, 5778

University of Maryland, USA

Adele H. Stamp Student Union, room 1210 (Prince George's room)

09:30-10:00 Arrival and Registration

10:00-12:00 Opening Session

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

Musical Opening:

Kol Sasson

The University of
Maryland's Premier Jewish
A Cappella Group



Greeting: Prof. Hayim Lapin, University of Maryland

Lectures:

Prof. Noam Norman Stillman, University of Oklahoma
**Prelude to Exodus: The Jews of Arab Lands in the Face of the
Challenges and Transformations of the Modern Era**

Prof. Haim Saadoun, Open University and Ben Zvi Institute
**"The Colonial Drama"- North African Jewry from Prosperity
to Demise**

12:00-12:45 Lunch Break

12:45-14:30 Second session

Chair: Prof. Hayim Lapin, University of Maryland

Prof. Bat-Zion Eraqi Klorman, Open University and Ben Zvi
Institute
The Ancient Jewish Community of Yemen and its Emigration

Prof. Henry Green, University of Miami
Sephardi Voices: Narratives of Expulsion, Memory and Identity

Prof. Yaron Harel, Bar-Ilan University
**The Jews of Syria and Lebanon: A Century of Emigration, Under
the Shadow of Arab Nationalism**

Dr. Avi Picard, Bar-Ilan University
**Independent Morocco and Tunisia, and Jewish Immigration to
Israel, 1956-1961**

14:30-15:00 Break

15:00-16:45 Third Session

Chair: Prof. Paul Scham, University of Maryland

Prof. Shaul Regev, Bar-Ilan University
**Babylonian Jewry: The Demise of a Flourishing Community and
Two Thousand Years of Iraqi Jewish Civilization**

Prof. Nahem Ilan, Chair of the Graduate School of Jewish Studies,
Ono Academic College, Jerusalem Campus
**The Egyptian Jewish Community in the Modern Era – a Grim
Ending to a Fascinating Story**

Dr. Shay Hazkani, University of Maryland
Shifting Moroccan Jewish Identity Between 1948-1959

Dr. Carol Basri, Fordham University
**The Taboo Topic: The Scope of Jewish Property and Artifacts of
Cultural Heritage Left Behind in Arab Lands**

Tuesday, December 5, 2017, 17 Kislev, 5778

11:00-13:00

Guided tour of the Iraqi Jewish Archive at National Archives in College Park

Information and Registration:

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