Monday, February 10, 2014
Venue: Yad Izhak Ben-Zvi, 14 Ibn Gabirol Street

15:45-17:15

Jews as the Orient
Chair and Opening Remarks: Meir M. Bar-Asher (Jerusalem), Kathrin Wittler (Berlin)
Orients in Contest: The Role of German Jews in Nineteenth-Century Orientalism
Eli Bar-Chen (Tel Aviv)

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Discussion
Muhammad Asad: From an Austro-Hungarian Jew to Pakistani Ambassador
Dr. Miriam Ruerup, Dr. Ofer Ashkenazi, Dr. Hanan Harif

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Moderator: Dr. David Witzthum (Jerusalem)
Discussions: Mr. Hanan Harif (Jerusalem)
Mr. Hanif Harif (Beer-Sheva)
Dr. Dan Tamir (Jerusalem)

Concert
Works of Benno Bardi, Paul Ben-Haim, Abel Ehrlich, Hanoch Jacoby
Nital Zori and Yoram Youngerman - Violins;
Gadi Abadi - Viola; Ella Toovy - Cello
Produced by the Institute for Israeli Music
Tuesday, February 11, 2014
Venue: The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Mount Scopus, Beit Maimersdorf

10:00-11:30 Perspectives of the Orient
Chair: Michael Glatzer (Jerusalem)
Noah Gerber (Jerusalem)
German-Jewish Philology Encounters the Jews of the Middle East: The Path of Silomo Dov Goldstein

Sebastian Schirrmieister (Hamburg / Jerusalem) Orientalism Revised and Revisited: M. Y. Ben-Gavriel and the Pan-Asian Ideal

12:00-13:15 The Image of the Jews of the Orient
Chair: Moshe Zimmermann (Jerusalem)
Natalie Naimark-Goldberg (Ramat-Gan) Ostracism and “Oriental Jews” in the Eyes of a German Jewish Woman: Bertha Pappenheim’s Anti-White Slavery Mission in Turkey
Amos Morris-Reich (Haifa) Lerski’s Photographs of Yemenites

14:30-15:45 Shelter in the Middle East
Chair: Doerte Bischoff (Hamburg)
Atina Grossmann (New-York)
Rakefet Zalashik (Potsdam)

16:15-17:30 Contacts with Middle Eastern Jewish Communities
Chair: Reuven Amitai (Jerusalem)
Guy Bracha (Ramat-Gan) The Germans are Coming! The Jewish Community of Beirut Facing the Question of Jewish Immigration from Germany
Yossi Brill (Tel Aviv) Between the Palm Tree and the Swastika: The Reflection of the East in the Story of Maximilien Trenner

Wednesday, February 12, 2014
Venue: The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Mount Scopus, Beit Maimersdorf

9:30-11:00 Intellectual Life in Istanbul and Cairo
Chair: Benny Ziffer (Tel Aviv)
Irr Youngerman (Jerusalem) Different Shades of East: Composers Benno Bardi and Hanoch Jacoby in Egypt, Turkey and Palestine
Ruchama Johnston-Bloom (London) Weimar in Cairo: Orientalism and Cultural Critique in Interwar Egypt

11:30-12:15 Ashkenazi Istanbul: The Untold Story
Chair: Miriam Ruerup (Hamburg)
Olivier Baisez (Paris) “Greater Palestine” as a German-Zionist Idea

12:30-13:45 Boundaries within the Orient
Chair: Miriam Ruerup (Hamburg)
Olivier Baisez (Paris) “Greater Palestine” as a German-Zionist Idea

15:00-16:15 Diplomacy and Politics
Chair: Anja Siegemund (Jerusalem)
Dan Tamir (Jerusalem) When Ibn Saud and Jabotinsky Came Together: Wolfgang von Weiß’s Vision for a “New Middle East”
Dror Zeigerman (Jerusalem) Germany’s Involvement in Early Zionist - Arab Nationalist Negotiations: The Case of Samuel Hochberg

16:30-17:30 Concluding Discussion
Andreas Braemer (Hamburg)
Yossi Ben-Artzi (Haifa)
Atina Grossmann (New York)

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