International Conference May 30 – June 1, 2018
on the Occasion of 40 years “Studium in Israel” (“Studying in Israel”)

*Rabbinic Literature –
Current Research and Relevance for Modern Jewish Thought and Christian Theology*

Conveners on behalf of Studium in Israel:
Prof. Dr. Bernd Schröder, Göttingen
Dr. Melanie Mordhorst-Mayer, Jerusalem
Dr. Joachim J. Krause, Tübingen

Wednesday, May 30 – HUJI, Mount Scopus, Rabin Building (Dan Wassong Auditorium)

05:30 p.m.  
**Gathering and Coffee**

06:15 p.m.  
**Welcome and Introduction**
*Prof. Dr. Bernd Schröder, Studium in Israel, Chairman, Göttingen*

06:30 p.m.  
**Opening Lecture**
*The Role of Rabbinic Literature in Jewish-Christian Relations – Then and Now*
*Prof. Dr. Israel Yuval, HUJI, Jerusalem*

07:30 p.m.  
**Reception on behalf of the Hebrew University**
*Greeting – Prof. Dr. Oron Shagrir, Vice President for International Affairs, HUJI, Jerusalem*
*Greeting – Dr. Ronnie Goldstein, Academic Head of the M.A. Program in Jewish Studies*

Thursday, May 31 – HUJI, Mount Scopus, Rabin Building (Dan Wassong Auditorium)

09:00 a.m.  
**Plenary Session 1:**
*Rabbinic Literature – Major Trends and Current State of Research*
*Prof. Dr. Marc Hirshman, HUJI, Jerusalem*

10:30 a.m.  
**Coffee Break (30’)**

11:00 a.m.  
**Plenary Session 2:**
*The Role of Rabbinic Literature in the Exegesis of the Hebrew Bible*
*Prof. Dr. Marianne Grohmann, Vienna*
*The Role of Rabbinic Literature in New Testament Studies*
*PD Dr. Martin Vahrenhorst, Saarbrücken*

*Both lectures will be delivered in German and simultaneously translated into Hebrew.*

01:15 p.m.  
**Break (90’)**
02:45 p.m.  Plenary Session 3 (Rabin Building, Dan Wassong Auditorium)
Reception of Rabbinic Literature in Jewish Life and Thought – examples from ...
... Orthodox Judaism – Dr. Tamar Kadari,
Senior Lecturer at the Schechter Institute of Jewish Studies, Jerusalem
... Reform Judaism – Prof. Dr. Ruchama Weiβ,
Hebrew Union College – Jewish Institute of Religion, Jerusalem
... Secular Judaism – Rabbi Sivan Maas,
Jerusalem

04:00 p.m.  Coffee Break (15’)

04:15 p.m.  Workshops corresponding to the Three Plenary Speeches in Session 3
(Rabin Building, Rooms 1001, 2001, 3001)

05:15 p.m.  Break until 07:00 p.m.

05:30 p.m.  Outing: The Mount Scopus-Campus – Recent Developments and Unknown Places.
A Guided Tour (60’)

07:00 p.m.  Evening Session Honoring Michael Krupp’s Jerusalem Mishna Edition
(Rabin Building, Dan Wassong Auditorium)

Greeting – Prof. Menahem Ben-Sasson,
Chancellor of the Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Greeting – His Excellency Dr. Clemens von Goetze,
Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Germany
Greeting – Dr. Melanie Mordhorst-Mayer, Director of Studies, Studium in Israel
Honoring the Oeuvre of Dr. Michael Krupp – Prof. Dr. Dr. h.c. mult. Peter Schäfer, Berlin
Response – Dr. Michael Krupp, Jerusalem
Laudation of Dr. Michael Krupp – Wolfgang Kruse, Stuttgart

Reception on behalf of Studium in Israel

Friday, June 1 – HUJI, Givat Ram Campus, Beit Belgia (Conference Room)

09:00 a.m.  The Relevance of Talmudic Judaism to Modern Philosophy
Prof. Dr. Menachem Fisch, Tel Aviv

10:00 a.m.  The Relevance of Rabbinic Literature for Christian Theology
Prof. Dr. Alexander Deeg, Leipzig

11.30 a.m.  Coffee Break (30’)

12:00 p.m.  Rabbinic Literature, Christian-Jewish Dialogue and the Study Program “Studium in Israel” – Looking back at the Conference and Looking ahead to Future Challenges
Panel Discussion with Dr. Michael Krupp, PD Dr. Martin Vahrenhorst and Dr. Melanie Mordhorst-Mayer
This discussion will be held in German and simultaneously translated into Hebrew.

01:00 p.m.  Closing

Note: Should you wish to participate in the conference or in parts of the program, please send a short note to Alice Spätgens (E: alicespaetgens@studium-in-israel.de, T: +972 (0)58 6428459).
Amicable Program Following the Conference

Friday, June 1
~ 07:00 p.m. Opportunity to Participate at Kabbalat Shabbat Services at Various Jewish Communities

Saturday, June 2
11:00 a.m. Open House at the Study Center of “Studium in Israel” (10 Yehuda Alkalai Street, Talbiye)
– 05:00 p.m.
01:00 p.m. Talk "David Flusser: Der Mensch, der Forscher und sein Haus" with Jochanan Flusser
– 02:00 p.m. at the Study Center of "Studium in Israel" (10 Yehuda Alkalai Street, Talbiye)
The talk will be given in German.

11:00 a.m. Guided Tours
– 05:00 p.m. Both guided tours will be in German. If you are interested in participating, please register
for one of the tours in advance during the conference. For each of the guided tours, please bring good walking shoes, a hat, and plenty of water!

11:00 a.m. ... to the Archaeological Sites of the DEIAHL with Prof. Dr. Dr. Dieter Vieweger
(Wuppertal/Jerusalem) and his team: archaeological excavation and museum at the Church of the Redeemer, archaeological excavations at Mt. Zion and at the City of David.
Start: Church of the Redeemer (Muristan, Old City), end: City of David. Max. 30 participants!

02:00 p.m. ... to the Previous and Future Study Centers of “Studium in Israel” with Rev. Dr. Melanie
Mordhorst-Mayer (Director of Studies) and Rev. Sebastian Wieder (Assistant, Study Program “Studium in Israel”).
The tour will begin after the talk on David Flusser. It will be possible to participate in both.
Start: Study Center of “Studium in Israel” (10 Yehuda Alkalai Street, Talbiye), end: Nevi’im-Street.

Sunday, June 3
10:30 a.m. Church Service at the Church of the Redeemer (Muristan Road, Old City)
Sermon: Rev. Dr. Melanie Mordhorst-Mayer, Director of Studies, Study Program “Studium in Israel”

~ 12:00 p.m. Reception at the courtyard of the Church of the Redeemer (Muristan Road, Old City)
Greetings – Provost Wolfgang Schmidt
Greetings – His Excellency Peter Beerwerth, Representative of the Federal Republic of Germany in Ramallah
Greetings – OKR Rev. Martin Pühn, Regional Secretary for the Middle East, Evangelical Church in Germany (EKD).

~ 01:00 p.m. Conclusion of the conference

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