

Symposium: The »Other« in Near Eastern and Jewish Studies

Historisches Kolleg, Kaulbachstrasse 15, 80539 München (Bookings only: Fax 089/28 66 38 63)

Program

Thursday, Nov 11, 2010

9:30 – 9:45 a.m. **Welcome**

9:45 – 12:30 p.m.

Section 1: The Perceived / Political Other

Chair: Avinoam Shalem (München)

- Richard I. Cohen (Jerusalem): Revisiting the Other: the Arab-Jew
- Enes Karić (Sarajewo): Who is the »Other« Today?

Coffee Break

- Stephen J. Whitfield (Brandeis): Changing Jewish Perceptions of Black Americans
- Christoph K. Neumann (München): About the Other Side of the Border: An Oral History Project in Kars (Turkey) and Yerevan (Armenia)

12:30 – 2:30 p.m. Lunch Break

2:30 – 5:45 p.m.

Section 2: Texts, Sciences and Literatures

Chair: Michael Brenner (München)

- Ibrahim Muhawi (Eugene OR): The »Other« in the Text: Reflections on Translation from Arabic
- Ada Rapoport-Albert (London): Christianity and Islam in the messianic doctrine of Jacob Frank

Coffee Break

- David B. Ruderman (Philadelphia): Kabbalah, Science and Loving Neighbors: A popular Hebrew text and its message for our world
- John Efron (Berkeley): On Speaking and Giving Pleasure: Hebrew and the Jewish Enlightenment
- Benny Morris (Beer Sheva): The »Other« in S. Yizhar's (Yizhar Smilansky's) Story of Khirbet Hizza

Friday, Nov 12, 2010

9:30 – 11:00 a.m.

Section 3: Arts and the Other

Chair: Christoph K. Neumann (München)

- Avinoam Shalem (München): The Munich Cara-vanserei of 1910, or Objects in Captivity?
- Sussan Babaie (München): The Aesthetics of Xenophilia; Debating Spirituality and Islam in Contemporary Arts

Coffee Break

11:15 a.m. – 12:45 p.m.

Section 4: Economic and Philosophical Encounters

Chair: Eva Haverkamp (München)

- Hans Georg Majer (München): Jewish Merchants, Orthodox Monks and Ottoman Authorities: Commerce and Crime on Mt. Athos.

12:45 – 1:30 p.m. **Final Discussion**

1:30 p.m. Lunch

