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Wednesday | 19 June 2024

9:15 Convening and Registration

9:30 Greetings

Prof. Amnon Albeck, Rector of Bar-Ilan University

Prof. Daniela Dueck, Dean of the Faculty of Humanities, Bar-Ilan University

Prof. Aren Maeir, The Ingeborg Rennert Center for Jewish Studies, Minerva Center, Bar-Ilan University

Prof. Lisa Maurice, Chair of the Department of Classical Studies, Bar-Ilan University

Prof. Jonathan Price, President of the Israel Society for the Promotion of Classical Studies, Tel Aviv University

10:00-12:00 Socrates and the Emotions

Chair: Sharon Weisser, Tel Aviv University

Margalit Finkelberg, Tel Aviv University – Socrates' daimonion and Plato's psychological vocabulary

Pia Campeggiani, University of Bologna (remote) – Mixed feelings: conflicting valence from Socrates to Russell

Gabriel Danzig, Bar-Ilan University – Plato's Protagoras and Xenophon's Socrates on how to change a person's *hexis*

Ricardo Gancz, Bar-Ilan University – Portrayals of Phobos in *Memorabilia* 3.5

12:00-12:15 Coffee Break

12:15-13:45 Aspects of Life and Death in the Roman Empire

Chair: David Schaps, Bar-Ilan University

Emmanuel Nantet, University of Haifa – The maritime conveyance of horses in classical Antiquity

Marie-Laure Rebora, Aix-Marseille University – Νήπιοι μετὰ τῶν ὀσίων: the epitaphs of children from the Jewish catacombs of Rome (2nd-4th century CE)

Carlo Delle Donne, University of Salerno (remote) – Speaking metaphors. Patients' figurative language in ancient Greek medicine

13:45-14:45 Lunch Break

14:45-16:45 Jews and Jewish Writing in the Roman Empire: Sponsored by the Minerva Center for the Relations between Israel and Aram in Biblical Times

Chair: Joshua Schwartz, Bar-Ilan University

Yaakov Dolgopolsky-Geva, The Open University of Israel – Military and civilians in the Jerusalem Akra – between First Maccabees and Josephus

Yael Escojido, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem – The case of the αἰχμάλωτοι in Manetho's account

Haggai Olshanetsky, University of Warsaw – A New Look at Jews in the Roman army during the Jewish revolts

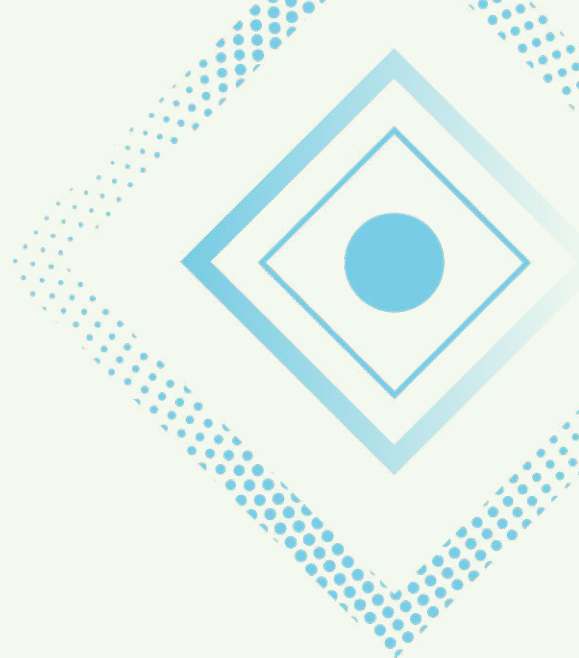
Hagith Sivan, The University of Kansas (remote) – Were there God Fearers in late ancient Africa?

16:45-17:00 Coffee Break

17:00-18:30 Archaeology: Sponsored by the Ingeborg Rennert Center for Jerusalem Studies

Chair: Avner Ecker, Bar-Ilan University

David Gurevich, University of Haifa – Adapting Roman comfort: private hot-bathing rooms (caldaria) in Jerusalem's Jewish society ca. 70 CE



Michael Eisenberg & Arleta Kowalewska,
University of Haifa – Roman-period urban burial
practices and funerary architecture in the Saddle
Necropolis of Hippos of the Decapolis

Peter Gendelman, Israel Antiquities Authority
& **Rivka Gersht**, Tel Aviv University – Sidewalk
Inscriptions from Caesarea Maritima

**18:50 Evening Gathering and Dinner for
the Speakers and Chairs of Sessions**

Thursday | 20 June 2024

9:30-11:00 Religion and Communication

Chair: Sabrina Inowlocki, University of Haifa

Keren Freidenreich, The City University of
New York – Rejected sacrifice and the hybris of
Polycrates (Hdt. 3.39-43, 120-125)

Lev Cosijns, University of Oxford – Talmudic
sources for Roman trade with the Far East

Hartmut Ziche, University of French Guiana –
Twitter and Instagram in the fourth century

11:00-11:15 Coffee break

11:15-12:45 Language and Experience

Chair: Gabriel Danzig, Bar-Ilan University

Ronald J.J. Blankenburg, Radboud University –
Between noetic and experience: the measures of
language

Florencia Castro Possi, Bar-Ilan University –
Divination and intellectualism in Xenophon's
Memorabilia

Zoia Barzakh, Bar-Ilan University – On the first
stasimon of Sophocles' *OT*

12:45-13:45 Lunch for all participants

13:45-14:45 Keynote Address

Chair: Jonathan Price, Tel Aviv University

Douglas Cairns, University of Edinburgh
(remote) – Honour and the rhetoric of slavery in
Herodotus

14:45-16:00 Annual General Meeting

16:00-16:15 Coffee Break

**16:15-17:45 Young Scholars' Session in
Hebrew**

יו"ר: רועי דרוו, אוניברסיטת בר-אילן

הפנים הרומיות של גאיוס קליגולה: המשלחת אל
גאיוס מאת פילון האלכסנדרוני כדוגמה טיפוסית
להיסטוריוגרפיה רומית

מרצה: **סרחיו מרין**, האוניברסיטה העברית
תגובה: סבריינה אינובלוקי, אוניברסיטת חיפה

על הסתרת הון ושקילות ריקארדו: ההשלכות הכלכליות
של חובת הליטורגיה באתונה

מרצה: **שחר פירסטנברג**, אוניברסיטת בר-אילן
תגובה: מרב חקלאי, אוניברסיטת בן-גוריון בנגב

צחוק ילדותי, צחוק טיפשי: פגיעות וכוח הצחוק מול
תבוסה בספרות יוונית-רומית ויהודית

מרצה: **תקוה בלאוקופף שׂין**, אוניברסיטת בר-אילן
תגובה: גלעד ששון, אוניברסיטת בר-אילן

17:45 Closing Remarks

Jonathan Price, Tel Aviv University

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