

# CONTROVERSIES CONVERSION AND DIALOGUE

## Jews and Christians in time and place

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**Sunday, June 22**  
**Collegium Malus UJ ul. św. Anny**

9:30 a.m. Greetings, Introductory Remarks

10:00 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.  
**Elchanan Reiner** (Tel Aviv University)  
*Kraków – Anno Mundi 5330*

10:45 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Coffee break

11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.  
**Avrieli Bar-Levav** (Open University of Israel)  
*Text and Territory: The Place of Paratexts in Hebrew Books*

**Daniel Boyarin** (UC Berkeley)  
*Talmud as Traveling Homeland*

**Itzik Melamed** (Johns Hopkins University)  
*God as the place of the world*

1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. Lunch

2:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.  
**Ada Rapoport-Albert** (UCL London)  
*The Zohar's geography of Erets Yisra'el*

**Yossi Chajes** (Haifa University)  
*Kabbalah denudata: Between (Beyond?) Jewish and Christian Kabbalah*

**Yaacob Dweck** (Princeton University)  
*Jacob Sasportas, Nehemiah ha-Kohen, and the Authority of the Written Word*

4:30 – 4:45 p.m. Coffee break

4:45 p.m. – 6:45 p.m.  
**Israel Yuval** (The Hebrew University of Jerusalem)  
*Jerusalem and the Jewish-Christian Relations in the 7th century*

**Rami Reiner** (Ben Gurion University)  
*Rabbenu Tam and Henri Count of Champagne: A Correspondence and its Meaning*

**Hanna Zaremska** (Polish Academy of Sciences)  
*Punishment for Homicide in Polish and Jewish juridical Practice in the 15th century*

7:00 p.m. Dinner

**Monday, June 23**  
**Instytut Judaistyki UJ, ul. Józefa 19**

9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.  
**Lucia Raspe** (Goethe-Universität Frankfurt am Main)  
*The Emergence of Local Rites of Selihot Recitation in Eastern and Western Ashkenaz 1400-1700*

**Maoz Kahana** (Tel Aviv University)  
*Where is Krakow? The complex nature of localities in Rabbi Moses Isserles's vocabulary*

**Theodor Dunkelgrün** (Cambridge University)  
*Joseph Scaliger and the learned culture of 16th century Ashkenazi Jewry*

11:30 a.m. – 11:45 a.m. Coffee break

11:45 a.m. – 1:45 p.m.  
**Pavel Sladek** (Charles University Prague)  
*A Sixteenth-Century Rabbinic Author and his Printers: The Case of Rabbi Mordecai Jaffe*

**David Ruderman** (University of Pennsylvania)  
*The Missionary Alexander McCaul and his Jewish Interlocutors: The Revival of the Jewish-Christian Debate in Nineteenth-Century Europe*

**Israel Bartal** (The Hebrew University of Jerusalem)  
*On Haskalah, Yiddish New Testaments, and Czar Alexander I: Nehemiah Solomon's Mission to the Jews of Russia and Poland (1817-1820)*

1:45 p.m. – 2:45 p.m. Lunch

2:45 p.m. – 4:45 p.m.  
**Miri Ellav-Feldon** (Tel Aviv University)  
*Catholic Attitudes towards Insincere Conversions*

**Paweł Maciejko** (The Hebrew University of Jerusalem)  
*On Rabbi Jonathan Eibeschütz's Rewriting of the Talmud*

**Adam Kazmierczyk** (Jagiellonian University)  
*Crooks, informers, traitors and partners - attitudes of converts to their former co-religionist in Poland-Lithuania*

4:45-5:00 p.m. Coffee break

5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.  
**Richard Cohen** (The Hebrew University of Jerusalem) and **Miriam Rajner** (Bar-Ilan University) / in absentia  
*Wandalin Strzalecki's Song on the Destruction of Jerusalem (Pieśń o zburzeniu Jerozolimy): A Homage to Gottlieb and Poland*

**Jonatan Meir** (Ben Gurion University)  
*Selma die jüdische Seherin: Judaism, Christianity and Mesmerism*

**Gershon Hundert** (McGill University)  
*An 18th-Century Galician Jewish Merchant and His Meetings with Christians*

7:30 p.m. Dinner



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