International Conference

Multiple Jewries?
New Perspectives on the History of Jews in the Habsburg Empire from the 18th Century to 1918

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9:00 Welcome, Opening Remarks

9:30 Identity – Politics – Reality
(Mitchell Ash, University of Vienna)
Nino Gude (University of Vienna)
Assimilation or Segregation: The Galician Jews and Ukrainians in Contact
Michael L. Miller (Central European University, Budapest)
Don’t Turn the Khazar Question into a Jewish Question
Marsha Rozenblit (University of Maryland)
Was There a Habsburg Jewry?

COFFEE BREAK

11:45 Jews as Mediators of Entanglements
(Olaf Terpitz, University of Vienna)
Joshua Teplitzky (Stony Brook University, New York)
David Oppenheim: Prague Rabbi, Imperial Jew
Branko Ostajmer (Croatian Institute for History, Zagreb)
Theodor Herzl and Hugo Spitzer: Comparative Biographies
Mitchell Ash (University of Vienna)
Jewish Professors at the University of Vienna since 1848: Cultural Entanglements and Contested Discrimination

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15:15 Jews and Habsburg Politics
(Martha Keil, Institute for Jewish History in Austria, St. Pölten)
Joshua Shanes (College of Charleston)
“Galicia in Vienna” The Activities of Galicia’s Zionist Reichsratsabgeordnete in the 1907-11 Parliament
Wolfgang Gasser (Institute for Jewish History in Austria, St. Pölten)
The 1848 Vienna Revolution in Four Jewish Diaries

Ofer Dynes (Harvard University)
From Papework to Prose. Jewish Literature, a Habsburg Imperial Project (1814-1830)

17:30 Roundtable
(Martina Steer, University of Vienna)
Mitchell Ash, Gary Cohen (University of Minnesota), David Rechter, Marsha Rozenblit

19:30 Keynote Speech
Pieter M. Judson (European University Institute, Florence)
“Unsere Monarchie”. Juden und Andere im späten Habsburgerreich (Festsaal des Alten Rathauses, Wipplingerstraße 6-8, 1010 Wien)
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09:00 Habsburg Norms and Jewish Exceptionalism
(Stephan Wendehorst, Justus Liebig University, Giessen/University of Vienna)

Martin Stechauner (Hebrew University)
How Austrian were the Sephardic Jews of Vienna? Reflecting on the Foundation of the “Sephard of the Danube”

Rachel Manekin (University of Maryland)
Divorce Laws after the Josephinian Ehepatent: Habsburg Jews and the Question of Gleichförmigkeit of the Law

David Rechter (University of Oxford)
East of Eden: Bukovina Exceptionalism and Habsburg Norms

COFFEE BREAK

11:15 Visual (Self-)Representation of Jewish Identities
(Eva Kovács, Vienna Wiesenthal Institute)

Anna Novikov (German Historical Institute, Warsaw)
Dynamics of the Visual Perception of the Jews of Lemberg (1848-1918)

Tim Corbett (Lancaster University)
The Encoding of Multiple Jewish Identities in the Epigraphy of Jewish Gravesstones in Vienna

Carsten L. Wilke (Central European University, Budapest)
The Oriental Question and its Urban Answers: Building the Great Synagogue of Pest (1854-1859)

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15:15 Jewish Communities as Cultural Spaces
(Peter Becker, Austrian Institute of Historical Research and University of Vienna)
Tullia Catalan (University of Trieste)
The Jews of Trieste Between Habsburg Empire and Italy (1848-1918): A Social and National Perspective
Jasmina Huber (Heinrich Heine University, Düsseldorf)
Europeanization of the Liturgical Music in Belgrade Sephardic Community

Sara Olga Yanovsky (Hebrew University, Jerusalem)
Living Together – Studying Apart? Communal Dilemmas and Debates Around the Establishments of Jewish Schools in Vienna and Budapest, from Joseph II Until World War I

COFFEE BREAK

17:30 Central Peripheries: Challenges of Rural and Small Town Jewries
(Gerhard Langer, University of Vienna)
Ursula Mindler (Andrássy University, Budapest)
Ambivalence of Jewish Belonging in Rural Areas of Western Hungary/Eastern Austria. The Case Study of Oberwart/Felsőőr
Ines Koeltzsch (Masaryk Institute, Prague)
Mobility and Temporary Sedentariness. Rural and Small-Town Jews in the Bohemian Lands and their (Trans-)Regional Migration to the Cities in the Central European Context (1848-1918)

Gerald Lamprecht (University of Graz)
Migration and Formation of Jewish Communities in Austrian Province in the 19th Century

19.30 Closing Remarks