International Conference

The End of Jewish Communal Life in the Arab Lands

Monday, December 4, 2017, 16 Kislev, 5778
University of Maryland, USA
Adele H. Stamp Student Union, room 1210 (Prince George's room)

09:30-10:00  Arrival and Registration

10:00-12:00  Opening Session
Chair: Dr. Shimon Ohayon, Director of the Dahan Center

Musical Opening:

Kol Sasson
The University of Maryland’s Premier Jewish A Cappella Group

Greeting: Prof. Hayim Lapin, University of Maryland

Lectures:

Prof. Noam Norman Stillman, University of Oklahoma
Prelude to Exodus: The Jews of Arab Lands in the Face of the Challenges and Transformations of the Modern Era

Prof. Haim Saadoun, Open University and Ben Zvi Institute
“The Colonial Drama”- North African Jewry from Prosperity to Demise

12:00-12:45  Lunch Break

12:45-14:30  Second session
Chair: Prof. Hayim Lapin, University of Maryland

Prof. Bat-Zion Iraqi Klorman, Open University and Ben Zvi Institute
The Ancient Jewish Community of Yemen and its Emigration

14:30-15:00  Break

15:00-16:45  Third Session
Chair: Prof. Paul Scham, University of Maryland

Prof. Shaul Regev, Bar-Ilan University
Babylonian Jewry: The Demise of a Flourishing Community and Two Thousand Years of Iraqi Jewish Civilization

Prof. Nahem Ilan, Chair of the Graduate School of Jewish Studies, Ono Academic College, Jerusalem Campus
The Egyptian Jewish Community in the Modern Era – a Grim Ending to a Fascinating Story

Dr. Shay Hazkani, University of Maryland
Shifting Moroccan Jewish Identity Between 1948-1959

Dr. Carol Basri, Fordham University
The Taboo Topic: The Scope of Jewish Property and Artifacts of Cultural Heritage Left Behind in Arab Lands

Tuesday, December 5, 2017, 17 Kislev, 5778
11:00-13:00
Guided tour of the Iraqi Jewish Archive at National Archives in College Park

Information and Registration:
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